

# School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures and the Division of Continuing Studies

## UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

### Exciting Teaching Opportunities: Join Us as a Sessional Instructor for ASL Courses

Are you passionate about American Sign Language (ASL) and education? Do you want to share your expertise in a supportive and inclusive academic community? We invite expressions of interest for sessional teaching assignments in the **2026-27 academic year**. All appointments will be within the CUPE 4163 (component 3) Sessional Lecturers certification.

#### Courses Available:

- **ASL 100A – American Sign Language I (Fall 2026; 1 section)**
- **ASL 100A – American Sign Language I (Spring 2027; 1 section)**
- **ASL 100B – American Sign Language I (Spring 2027; 1 section)**

Information about these courses can be found on the [American Sign Language Courses \(ASL\) page](#) of the UVic Calendar. These positions are subject to funding and enrolment criteria. The University of Victoria reserves the right to fill additional teaching assignments from the pool of applicants for this posting.

**Delivery Method:** interactive and engaging in-person delivery.

This foundational course provides an excellent opportunity to inspire and empower students as they begin their ASL journey. You will play a vital role in fostering communication skills, cultural awareness, and a deeper appreciation of the Deaf community.

#### Why Join Us?

- **Impactful Teaching:** Make a lasting impact by teaching students who are eager to learn ASL and connect with the Deaf community.
- **Professional Growth:** Collaborate with a vibrant community of educators committed to excellence in teaching and learning.
- **Supportive Environment:** Be part of a team working in a collegial and inclusive environment that values diversity and collaboration with access to UVic resources designed to foster a culture of exceptional teaching and innovation, promoting academic success and personal development.

#### What We're Looking For:

We're seeking passionate, skilled educators with the following qualifications:

- **Certification:** Provincial ASL Instructor Certificate (BC) or equivalent.
- **Experience:** At least three years of experience teaching ASL to hearing adults, ideally in academic settings.
- **Skills:** Ability to effectively teach those who have little or no ASL skills, strong visual-gestural communication skills, and the ability to successfully collaborate and develop and maintain positive working relationships with students and colleagues.
- **Community Connection:** Knowledge of Deaf resources and active involvement in the Deaf community.

## **Application Process:**

**To Apply**, please submit **your expression of interest** including the following by **March 12, 2026 at 5:00 PM**:

1. **Cover Letter:** Indicate your interest in specific course(s) and share your vision for impactful teaching.
2. **Curriculum Vitae:** Highlight your qualifications and achievements.
3. **References:** Contact information for two professional references.
4. **Teaching Portfolio:** Evidence of your successful teaching experience, such as evaluations, student feedback, or innovative methods.

**Submit Expressions of interest to:** Dr. Sandra Kirkham, ASL Program Coordinator, School of Languages, Linguistics and Cultures, University of Victoria, PO BOX 1700, STN CSC Victoria, BC V8W 2Y2; [aslprogramcoordinator@uvic.ca](mailto:aslprogramcoordinator@uvic.ca).

**Employment Decisions Announced By:** March 15, 2026

## **Join a community that Values Diversity and Inclusion**

The university is committed to upholding the values of equity, diversity, and inclusion in our living, learning and work environments. In pursuit of our values, we seek members who will work respectfully and constructively with differences and across levels of power. We actively encourage applications from members of groups experiencing barriers to equity. The University's full equity statement is located at [www.uvic.ca/equitystatement](http://www.uvic.ca/equitystatement).

## **Be Part of Something Bigger**

This is more than a teaching role—it's a chance to inspire students, engage with the Deaf community, and contribute to a transformative learning experience.

**Apply today and help us shape the future of ASL education!**

We acknowledge and respect the Lək'wəḡən (Songhees and X̱sepsəm/Esquimalt) Peoples on whose territory the university stands, and the Lək'wəḡən and W̱SÁNEĆ Peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.