Boston ASL Center Policy Page 2025-2026



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The goal of this program is to build community by delivering accessible and effective ASL courses to hearing and hard of hearing adults in the Boston Area and beyond. Our classes provide a focus on language skills such as comprehension and production of ASL; however we also recognize the importance of Deaf history and culture when acquiring ASL. With these ASL courses, AES World Languages & Cultures Institute aims to bridge the language and cultural gap between the hearing, Deaf, and Hard of Hearing communities across the country. *Please note: we always encourage the use of professional ASL interpreters during workplace and official interactions.*

All classes in 2025-2026 will be held online.

Beginner 1 & 2 Courses: Instruction in the beginner courses focuses on fingerspelling and the fundamental ASL sentence structures needed to navigate topics ranging from introductions to giving directions.

LOGISTICS

- Costs of program (includes registration fee): \$285
- Registrations are processed in the order in which they are received.

Classes are held for one hour, twice per week

<u>Section 1</u>: Sundays 9:00am - 10:30am & Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm <u>Section 2</u>: Sundays 11:00am - 12:30pm & Wednesdays 8:00pm - 9:30pm <u>Section 3</u>: Sundays 9:00am - 10:30am & Thursdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm <u>Section 4</u>: Sundays 11:00am - 12:30pm & Thursdays 8:00pm - 9:30pm

- Course Dates: September 28 October 29/30 with make-up November 2 (in case a class is canceled for any reason)
- The registration deadline is September 20, 2025. Read below to learn more.

Registration process

- 1. <u>Begin by completing the registration form</u>. Your registration will be completed once your registration form and registration fee have been processed.
- 2. <u>Schedule your placement interview</u>. Telephone interviews are used to determine class placement. These 15-minute calls are scheduled and conducted after registration.
- 3. After your placement interview, you will be placed into a course and invoiced for your remaining tuition. Your seat in the class is confirmed once your full tuition is received.

DEADLINES AND REFUNDS

The **Registration Deadline** is the latest we generally cancel courses that are under-enrolled. In order to help ensure the success of a course, final tuition payments should be received by this date. However, it is still possible for students to register and enroll after the registration deadline, provided the course has not yet been closed.

Registration fees are deducted from the total tuition cost. They are NONREFUNDABLE unless the student does not place into one of the Boston ASL classes for the cycle selected. The placement is determined by the placement interviews.

Final tuition payments are fully refundable (minus the registration fee) until one month prior to the cycle's registration deadline. Students are considered fully enrolled once they have submitted their final tuition payment. Tuition payments should be completed and received prior to the registration deadline in order to ensure a seat in a course and avoid forfeiture of one's registration fee. Fully enrolled students that need to unregister within one month of the registration deadline, but before the start of classes, can apply their tuition (minus the registration fee) to the next cycle.

For more information and to enroll, visit bostonasl.org or email us at bostonasl@awlci.org