Deaf Education (DEAF)

DEAF 5010. Student Teaching: Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing. 5 Hours.
Prerequisite: DEAF 2999; Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Co-requisite: DEAF 5020. Graded “Satisfactory” or “Unsatisfactory”. A semester-long student teaching experience completed with students who are deaf or hard-of-hearing. NOTE: A student who receives a grade of Unsatisfactory (U) for student teaching may apply for student teaching only one additional time. The student will be required to complete a prescribed program of remediation before being permitted to student teach the second time. Any student who receives a second grade of "U" for student teaching will be permanently dismissed from all teacher education programs in the College of Education and Human Services and will not be recommended for teacher certifications by Valdosta State University.

DEAF 5020. Student Teaching Seminar: Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing. 1 Hour.
Prerequisites: DEAF 2999; Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Co-requisite: DEAF 5010. A forum for discussion and exchange of ideas relating to the responsibilities of professional ethical practices.

DEAF 5310. Methods of Teaching Reading and Writing to Deaf Students. 3 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Principles and techniques used in the development of reading and writing skills in deaf and hard of hearing children. Focus on reading theory, applications, diagnostic procedures, and instructional methods for teaching students experiencing hearing loss.

DEAF 5370. Teaching Thinking Skills. 3 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Designed to prepare teachers to become familiar with cognitive strategies that promote higher level thought in deaf learners. Emphasis is placed on how to incorporate these strategies into regular classroom instruction.

DEAF 5380. Curriculum Development Instruction for Deaf Students. 4 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Curriculum planning and special adaptations in teaching school subjects to deaf and hard of hearing students at the elementary, intermediate and secondary levels. Selection, development, modification, evaluation, and use of instructional media.

DEAF 6000. Integration and Management of Instruction in the Classroom. 4 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Identification and implementation of management and instructional strategies that have demonstrated effectiveness with deaf and hard of hearing students.

DEAF 6010. Integrated Instruction: Individualized Education Program. 3 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). The theoretical and practical basis of curriculum design for individuals with disabilities across school levels. Individualized Education Program (IEP) development and planning that incorporate student access to the general educational curriculum are components of this course.

DEAF 6020. Audiological Considerations and Auditory/Oral Methods for Teachers of the Deaf. 4 Hours.
Prerequisite: Admission into the graduate program or permission of instructor. An introduction to types and causes of hearing loss and methodologies that can be used to enhance speech and listening skills.

DEAF 6030. Internship in Teaching. 3 Hours.
Prerequisites: Admission into the M.A.T. graduate program in Special Education - Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing or permission of instructor; Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). A clinical practice designed for candidates in the online M.A.T. program in Special Education - Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing who are seeking initial certification. Candidate will complete a semester of teaching in the role of a deaf educator, supervised by a university supervisor and the school principal or the principal's designee.

DEAF 6100. Seminar: Deaf Education and Language Learning. 3 Hours.
Introductory course in Deaf Education and Language Learning for teachers. Topics include types of hearing loss and their impact on language; and social, emotional, cognitive, and educational development.

DEAF 6110. Professional Capstone Course. 3 Hours.
Pre-requisite: Level 2 on the American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) or an Intermediate on the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI). Culminating course. Students will implement a project that demonstrates their ability to apply evidence-based research to impact programs or practices that affect K-12 students.