

## **Take American Sign Language This Summer**

There's a new language option at UMBC! American Sign Language (ASL) will fulfill UMBC's GEP language requirement. ASL courses will initially be offered in the summer and winter sessions.

ASL 101 is offered online in Summer Session II, which begins July 12.

**Register for ASL 101** 

ASL is a visual language that uses hand, facial and body movements to communicate.

Sign language promotes communication with the Deaf community and can help babies communicate sooner and better. It can boost more effective brain function and links the mind and body in ways that other languages do not. It's also the sixth most common language in the United States.

GEP Language Requirement Students need to complete a series of three language courses (or demonstrate proficiency) as part of UMBC's General Education Program requirements.