

INTRODUCTION TO SIGN LANGUAGE

Subject Area
Student Type
Study Mode

Languages &
Communication
Adults
Part Time

What is the course about?

This beginner-friendly course introduces the fundamentals of British Sign Language (BSL), providing you with the opportunity to learn basic sign language skills. You will explore the importance of hand shapes, visual expressions, and current methods of communicating effectively with deaf individuals or BSL users.

Why should I choose the course?

Designed for adults aged 19 and over, this course is ideal for anyone wishing to develop essential communication skills to engage with family, friends, or colleagues. It is also well-suited to those looking to enhance their abilities in a professional setting.

What will I learn?

Throughout the course, you will gain the skills and confidence to:

- Fingerspell your own name
- Sign and respond to a range of common greetings
- Recognise and use at least three family-related signs
- Recognise and use at least three colour signs
- Identify and discuss various weather conditions
- Understand and express simple emotions.

What will the course lead on to?

Upon completion, you may progress to a recognised certification in British Sign Language. The skills gained may also open doors to careers involving work with the deaf community.

Are there any links with industry and university?

British Sign Language is a valuable and distinctive communication skill, included on the government's approved list of languages. It is highly regarded in a variety of sectors, including voluntary work, care, education, customer service, and other people-facing professions.



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What support is available?

We have a team of staff dedicated to providing learning support if it is required and a Wellbeing Team that are on hand to offer guidance, support and help when needed.

Additionally, eligible students can access a wide range of finance and funding support to help them during their time at college. For personalised advice on funding, please contact our Learner Services Team on 01925 494 400 or email learner.services@wvr.ac.uk.

Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

Warrington & Vale Royal College offers a welcoming learning environment with modern facilities, ample on-site parking, and expert tuition from knowledgeable and supportive staff. Whether you're just starting out or looking to develop new skills, we're here to help you succeed.

What are the entry requirements?

Applicants must be aged 19 or over, have a genuine interest in the subject, and be willing to participate in classroom activities and discussions. You'll also be encouraged to reflect on your learning by completing a personal learning plan at the end of each session.

What are my funding options?

For more information about financial support, please visit: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support>

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Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

There are no additional costs associated with this course.



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