American Sign Language & Deaf Culture Resource Guide

This resource guide was compiled by the faculty of the American Sign Language Program at the University of Iowa. To find out more about our program, or to get a digital version of this list, please visit http://clas.uiowa.edu/dwllc/asl

Where to find information about Deaf culture:

Deaf Studies Digital Journal - dsdj.gallaudet.edu
DeafNation – deafnation.com
World Deaf Information Resource Project -
www.gallaudet.edu/International_Relations/World_Deaf_Information_Resource_Project.html
World Federation of the Deaf - wfdeaf.org/

Want to know more about American Sign Language (ASL)?

While we don’t recommend learning ASL from a website, there are websites with video ASL dictionaries and fingerspelling practice. Used in conjunction with interaction with ASL users, these sites can be useful tools. Some sites are great sources of ASL literature.

ASLU - lifeprint.com
ASLized! - aslized.org/
ASLhub – aslhub.com
ASLPro – aslpro.com

Places to find out more about interpreting:

Find out about the interpreting profession, where to study interpreting, how interpreters are certified, and how to hire an interpreter.

Discover Interpreting – www.discoverinterpreting.com
Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf – www.rid.org
Iowa State RID – http://new.iowastaterid.org/

Interested in Deaf Artists?

Deaf artists work in theatre, dance, visual art, poetry, and music.
The Deaf Professional Arts Network - www.d-pan.org/
deaf arts/deaf artists - www.rit.edu/ntid/dccs/dada/dada.htm
Deaf Theatre on the Web - www.rit.edu/ntid/deaftheatre/
That Deaf Guy - www.thatdeafguy.com/
Deaf Jam – www.pbs.org/independentlens/deaf-jam/
Deaf Sports

*Deaf people participate in competitive sports as amateurs and professionals. The Deaflympics are held every four years in locations all around the world.*

USA Deaf Sports Federation - www.usdeafsports.org/
Deaflympics - www.deaflympics.com/
European Deaf Sport Organization – www.edso.eu

Deaf History

*Through Deaf Eyes - www.pbs.org/weta/throughdeafeyes/*

This website explores the PBS Deaf history documentary *Through Deaf Eyes*. Copies of the film and the accompanying text are available at the Iowa City Public Library and the University of Iowa library.

Deaf President Now - www.gallaudet.edu/dpn_home.html

This website, hosted by Gallaudet University, chronicles the history of the largest Deaf civil rights movement in history.

Advocacy/Politics

The National Association of the Deaf (NAD)- www.nad.org/
Iowa Association of the Deaf (IAD) is a state chapter of the NAD – www.iowadeaf.com/
Association of Late-Deafened Adults – www.alda.org
Deaf Latino Organizations - www.deafvision.net/aztlan/resources/index.html
National Black Deaf Advocates - http://www.nbda.org/
Deaf Women United – dwu.org
National Asian Deaf Congress - www.icdri.org/dhhi/nadc.htm
American Deaf and Rehabilitation Association - adara.org

Deaf Education

Iowa School for the Deaf - www.iowaschoolforthedeaf.org
Gallaudet University – www.gallaudet.edu
National Technical Institute of the Deaf - www.ntid.rit.edu
Conference of Educational Administrators of Schools & Programs for the Deaf – www.ceasd.org
Journal of Deaf Studies and Deaf Education - jdsde.oxfordjournals.org
Deaf Education – www.deafed.net
American Society for Deaf Children - www.deafchildren.org/