

# College of Liberal Arts, Sciences, & Technologies

## GOVERNMENT (GOV) AND HISTORY (HIS)

### Graduate Faculty:

Barry H. Bergen, Ph.D.; Donna F. Ryan, Ph.D. (*Director of Graduate Certificate Program in Deaf History*)

### About the Department:

The Department of Government and History houses two disciplines and two undergraduate majors: government and history. On the graduate level, it began offering a Graduate Certificate Program in Deaf History in the summer of 2000.

### Graduate Certificate Program in Deaf History

The Graduate Certificate Program in Deaf History offers training in the growing field of deaf history. It provides graduate level courses in a broad range of related topics, including Deaf American, European, Media, and Disability history. Our courses promote history research methods and content, emphasizing how techniques of social and cultural history can be applied to the history of deaf people and communities around the world. Professionals who learn about the history of deaf people will bring new insights and scholarship to their teaching, sign language interpreting, researching, writing, counseling, and social work.

### Admission Requirements for the Graduate Certificate Program in Deaf History

#### Checklist of requirements for application specific to this graduate certificate program:

- Transcripts (official or unofficial) of all undergraduate study, including evidence of having received a bachelor's degree from an accredited university.
- A minimum 3.0 grade point average (on a four-point scale) in all previous undergraduate study. (Occasionally, applicants with a GPA lower than 3.0 may be admitted conditionally upon the recommendation of the department.)

- An application fee of \$50
- A completed graduate certificate application form.

#### Are there additional application materials required?

Standardized Test Scores?	No
References?	No
Reference Citing Sign Language Skills?	No
Special Essay?	No
Resume?	No
Writing Sample?	No
Videotape of Signing and/or English?	No

#### Are there additional application requirements?

On-Campus Interview?	No
Sign Language Evaluation?	No
English Evaluation?	No
Culture and Language Colloquium Required?	No

#### Are there additional background requirements?

Prior Master's Degree?	No
Required Undergraduate Major?	No
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Prerequisite Coursework (Required)?	No
Standardized Testing Substitute for Prerequisite?	No
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommended Prior Coursework?	Sign Language (or experience using sign language)
Prior Professional Experience?	No
Prior Certification?	No
Health Certification Requirements?	No
Police or Other Background Check?	No

**Application Deadlines and Program Scheduling**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Last Date to Submit Completed Application?	April 18
	First Date for Consideration of Application?	No Set Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	Summer Admission Possible?	Yes
	Fall Admission Possible?	No
	Winter Admission Possible?	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	Part-time Study Possible?	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Summers-Only Study Possible?	Yes
	Weekend and Evening Study Possible?	No

**Program Curriculum**

The fifteen credits required to complete the program will allow students to develop skills and awareness regarding the present state of knowledge and research in Deaf history.

**Required Courses for Certificate**

- HIS 731 History of the American Deaf Community (3)
- One U.S. history course from the following electives (3)
- One European history course from the following electives (3)
- Two additional electives (6)

**Electives**

- HIS 732 History of Mass Media and the Deaf Community (3)
- HIS 733 Topics in European Deaf History (3)
- HIS 734 Deaf People in Hitler's Europe (3)
- HIS 735 History of Disability in the United States (3)
- HIS 755 Deaf Women's History (3)
- HIS 787 Introduction to Historical Methods and Research (3)
- HIS 793 History Research Project I (3)
- HIS 794 History Research Project II (3)
- HIS 795 Special Topics in History (3)
- HIS 799 Independent Study (3)