



FROM OUR HANDS TO YOURS

College of Health and Human Services

September 2016



Thanks to our friends in Institutional Research at WKU, the ASLS program has some exciting news we want to share with you!

“Out of 116 minors at WKU, ASL Studies has the 8th largest enrollment”

“ASL Studies has the largest enrollment of the minors offered in CHHS”

Also, thanks to all of our students who supported the ASL Studies Program over the years!

Over the Summer

The ASLS program had a busy summer! Students within the program volunteered at events across Kentucky. Students and faculty started the summer in June by volunteering at Family Learning Vacation hosted by the Kentucky School for the Deaf. Also, students volunteered at Kentucky Lions Youth Camp for the Deaf and Blind for a week in July.



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Getting to Know You...

This year the ASLS program is happy to welcome back two ASL Studies Alumni as our Graduate Assistants! Kinya (pictured to the right) graduated last spring with a Bachelors degree in Communications Disorders with a minor in ASL and is perusing her Masters in Speech Pathology. Zach



(pictured to the left) graduated in May 2015 with a Bachelors in International Affairs, a minor in ASL with a certificate in Leadership. Now, he is persuing towards a Masters in Organizational Leadership with a focus in Nonprofit Administration. We are honored to have both of these talented individuals as a part of our team.



We would like to congratulate the following students for receiving the honor of Scholar of the College for the 2015-2016 academic year.



Emily Bratcher

Megan French

Hannah Cooper

Abby Leofsky

Katie Beth Gamble

Katie Pruitt



American Sign Language Organization

If you're not a member of ASLO, there are many reasons why you should join. Speaking with ASLO's President, Austin Rutland, he described the many reasons why being an ASLO member is so fulfilling...

1. Access to special events such as Signing Santa, Game Night at FBC, and KSD volunteer opportunities.
2. The opportunity to sign the Star Spangled banner at WKU sports events.
3. More opportunities to interact with the Deaf Community.
4. Having a support group that is there to encourage you while you learn ASL
5. A free T-shirt!

Click on the logos below for more information on ASLO.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU



September: Peggy Wallace Kelly Kim Debbie Ward Renate

Smith Ashley Marshall Hannah Diehl Atexis Doroba



The Preparing ASL Hearts weekend will be held on November 4th –6th, 2016. For more information and updates, please go to <http://www.wku.edu/aslo/pah/> or click on the picture above.

Upcoming Events

September

15th: ASL Bingo

6:00pm-9:00pm

19th: ASL Campus Social

6:00pm-9:00pm

28th: Stakz

6:00pm-9:00pm

*Indicates events that are NOT DCE's.

+Indicates events that are ASLO members only.

October

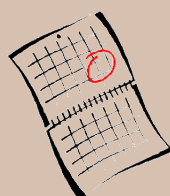
21st: Chaney's Dairy Barn

6:00pm-9:00pm

25th: Halloween Social

6:00pm-9:00pm

Click on the calendar for more information on upcoming events and updates.



The goal of Family Learning Vacation is to provide information to families so they may be the best possible advocates for their children. They also hope to enable FLV families to develop relationships with other families who have children who are deaf or hard of hearing, so they may be resources for each other. Our students spent time with the children by planning a weekend of games and activities to create a fun-filled environment.

Learn to Sign

S-C-H-O-O-L



At the Kentucky Lions Camp, students and faculty volunteered at one of the only Deaf and Blind Camps in Kentucky. This camp is free for children ages 6 through 15 who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and/or Blind and who are also a Kentucky Resident. Their goals are to provide a week of camp activities for these youths and to share a week of fun with their peers, to promote social growth, self confidence, and

self reliance. Our students aided and encouraged these campers in the growth of confidence, sociability, and self reliance. We are proud of all of their hard work and dedication to these summer programs. We hope to take more students and faculty next summer!



For more information on events and updates follow us on our social media pages or check out our website! Click on the pictures below for links to our pages.