

# AUSLAN

## FACULTY LANGUAGES

CONTRIBUTION  
\$0

HOURS  
200

Board endorsed

Unlock the power of communication with AUSLAN, Australia's vibrant sign language! Whether you're chatting with your Deaf friends, connecting with the Deaf community, or simply being more inclusive, learning AUSLAN opens doors to new friendships, cultural understanding, and meaningful conversations. Dive into the expressive world of hands, faces, and movement—where every gesture tells a story. Start signing today and become part of an awesome community where your hands do the talking!

AUSLAN is a "voice-off" class, which means that there will be some English spoken by the teacher, but most of the lesson will be delivered in silence. This is in respect to the Deaf community. This means that students will be expected to respect this rule, speaking in English seldomly, and only for clarification. If the busy, classroom noise of the school day wears you down, come along to the AUSLAN classroom for "voice-off" learning time!

You will learn to:

- Exchange information about self, family, friends and interests with peers and teachers
- Express feelings and preferences to peers and teachers
- Distinguish between statements and questions
- Ask and respond to familiar questions and directions
- Plan events or activities with peers
- The skills you will master are:
- Communication – you will learn how to connect with others WITHOUT using your voice
- Cultural awareness – appreciate similarities and differences within the hearing and non-hearing societies
- Research and inquiry – investigate how to create concepts and ideas using particular handshapes.
- Creativity – bring your learning to life through presentations, role-play and performance.

## STAGE 6 SUBJECT SELECTION

Continuers/Extension Languages (where AUSLAN is offered)  
Society & Culture  
Community & Family Studies  
English (supporting literacy through bilingual perspectives)

## HIGHER EDUCATION

Linguistics, Education (Primary/Secondary)  
Interpreting & Translation  
Speech Pathology  
Social Work  
Deaf Studies

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

AUSLAN Interpreter  
Teacher of the Deaf  
Speech Pathologist  
Social Worker  
Disability Support Worker  
Community Liaison Office  
Early Childhood Educator  
Customer Service & Inclusion Roles