

British Sign Language

Each year it is necessary for Deafblind Scotland staff to undergo training in British Sign Language by participating in a daytime course. Where places are available we welcome others who find it more convenient to attend full day sessions.

Aims

BSL Level 1

1. To demonstrate basic fingerspelling skills
2. To introduce the concept of a visual language incorporating hand signs, gestures, facial expression and body language
3. To introduce the participant to basic sign language grammar and vocabulary
4. To enable the participant to hold a basic conversation with a deaf person using BSL
5. To develop awareness of issues affecting deaf people

BSL Level 2

Methods such as role playing, story telling, videos and conversation will be used to:

1. Increase the range of vocabulary
2. Improve the use of grammar and syntax
3. Improve receptive skills and fluency
4. Increase awareness of non-manual communication factors such as body language and facial expression
5. Provide awareness and understanding of the variety of different signs and signing methods between different regions and individuals
6. Provide experience and competence in communicating by BSL

	BSL Level 1	BSL Level 2
Duration:	6 days	11 days
Cost:	£Call	£Call
Examination Fee:	£Call	£Call
Awarding Body:	CACDP	CACDP
Dates:	TBC	TBC

Course facilitators will be deaf adults who have undergone CACDP curriculum training.

During the course it is necessary to:

- undertake assignments
- seek opportunities to practice signing
- undertake video work