

British Sign Language (Interpreting, Translating and Applied Language Studies)

Heriot-Watt University

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This degree is designed to lead you from a beginners level of British Sign Language (BSL), to achieving professional competence in signed interactions. The degree focuses on practical and applied language skills, interpreting and translating skills, communication studies, linguistics, translation and interpreting studies, and Deaf studies.

You will learn from a series of intensive courses which will provide you with the necessary cultural, social, political, and linguistic knowledge which will form your ability to become reflective practitioners and will prepare you for postgraduate study. By the end of this degree, you will be trained to a high professional standard to work in applied settings with BSL.

In your third year, you'll be placed full-time with signing organisations in the UK or at one of our international partner universities. This will allow you to develop your linguistic skills, and you'll be able to understand complex language in a wide range of social and work situations.

In your final year, you'll have additional opportunities to work closely with professional interpreters in real-life situations on placement, gaining vital work-place experience.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

Q1AL

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

School of Social Sciences

Department

Languages and Intercultural Studies

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements:

Standard entry: 4 Highers at BBBB plus English at National 5.

Widening access entry: 4 Highers at BBBC plus English at National 5.

SCQF Level

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Progression Routes

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Combination Courses

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