

Master Syllabus

ASL 2232 - Advanced American Sign Language II

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: American Sign Language

Credit Hour Total: 3.0

Lecture Hrs: 3.0

Prerequisite(s): ASL 2231

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Course Description:

The second advanced course in the study of American Sign Language (ASL). The course focuses on receptive and productive mastery of syntax, spatial mapping, narrative and explanatory discourse, targeted vocabulary and incorporation into sign production the necessary adjustments for register, affect and cultural background.

General Education Outcomes:

- ▣ Oral Communication
- ▣ Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- ▣ Values/Citizenship/Community
- ▣ Information Literacy
- ▣ Computer Literacy

Course Outcomes:

Discourse Competence

Fluency in Narrative, Explanatory, Task-Oriented and Conversational Discourse.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students must earn a 80% or better on a performance of signing skills which displays full matrix of ASL linguistic features for each type of discourse.

Vocabulary

Master nuances of ASL sign vocabulary.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students must perform at 80% or better accuracy, receptively and productively, all basic ASL vocabulary items

Deaf Culture Knowledge

Articulate the norms and values of the Deaf culture.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students must earn a 80% or better on an exam which tests students' knowledge of Deaf culture norms and their relevance to interpreting and Deaf interaction

Fingerspelling Mastery

Attain mastery level receptive and productive fingerspelling skills.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students must earn a 80% or better on performance exam that includes receptive and productive fingerspelling tasks

Outline:

Targeted American Sign Language (ASL) Vocabulary
ASL Syntax: Complex Verb Tenses
ASL Syntax: Spatial Mapping and Classifiers
ASL Syntax: Sentential Structure
ASL Syntax: Non-manual Signals
ASL Discourse: Narrative, Conversation, Expository Organization