

Wayne County Community College District

COURSE SYLLABUS

ASL 120 American Sign Language II

CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

A continuation of the basic study of the language and culture of the deaf community, this course builds on the receptive and expressive sign vocabulary, the use of signing space, non-manual components of ASL grammar including facial expression and body postures, and introduction to conversational regulators. This class is an overview of deafness that encompasses three major topics: the nature and experience of deafness; the education of deaf children and adults; and the adult deaf community.

PREREQUISITE: ASL 100

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will:

- Develop basic ASL communication skills with appropriate vocabulary and grammatical structures
- Develop an emphasis on communicative and linguistic functions
- Develop a wider vocabulary base
- Expand their understanding and use of grammatical aspects including facial markers, quantifiers and pluralization, conjunctions, verb inflection, and basic classifier use
- Identify various sentence types, such as comparative, conditional, and rhetorical
- Receptively translate signed ASL sentences to proper written English form
- Increase fluency in the use of dactylology and ASL numbering advance in both receptive and expressive skills
- Analyze a story/paragraph using appropriate ASL concepts

ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:

90%-100% = A 80%-89.9% = B 70%-79.9% = C 60%-69.9% = D <60% = E