

KINGS RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Beginning American Sign Language (ASL-4)
Wednesday, 6:00 - 8:50 p.m. (January 14 - May 20, 1998)
SPRING TERM 1998

- Instructor: Betty Shaw, Resource Specialist
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- Required Text: Learning American Sign Language
by Tom Humphries and Carol Padden
Deaf Like Me
by Thomas S. Spradley
- Course Description: An introduction to the study of American Sign Language. Cultural differences between Deaf and hearing people and appropriate behaviors for social interaction will be examined. This course covers the first half of level one of the Signing Naturally curriculum which emphasizes the functions of everyday communications:
- Course Objectives: Students will:
1. gain insight into common myths associated with the Deaf.
 2. distinguish between acceptable and unacceptable ways to interrupt signing conversations depending on the situations.
 3. identify a socially acceptable way to start or end a signing conversation and how this differs from hearing people.
 4. write analytically and critically in two research papers relevant to topics in the course outline.
 5. be able to converse in American Sign Language.
- Course Requirements: Students will:
1. bring textbook to class each week.
 2. participate in class discussions and cooperative groups.

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JAN 14	Intro
JAN 21	Unit 1
JAN 28	Unit 2
FEB 4	Unit 3 Research #1 due
FEB 11	Unit 4
FEB 18	Unit 5 <u>Deaf Like Me</u> Chpt 1-7 Test
FEB 25	Unit 6
MAR 4	Unit 7 <u>Deaf Like Me</u> Chpt 8-14 Test
MAR 11	Unit 8
MAR 18	Unit 9 <u>Deaf Like Me</u> Chpt 15-20 + Epilogue Test
MAR 25	Unit 10
APR 1	Unit 11 Research #2 due
APR 8	Spring Break
APR 15	Unit 12
APR 22	Perform songs
APR 29	Perform songs
MAY 6	Review for final exam
MAY 13	Final Exam