

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

ASL 1

Course Syllabus

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Class hrs: Tues/Thurs 8AM to 10:30AM

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To leave message on answering machine with your name and phone number or call college and leave your message.

Course Objectives:

18 weeks course: Use the structures and principles of ASL, engages in spontaneous conversation using ASL at a level expected for signers, recognize and state the aspects of the culture of the Deaf community, further develop and improve expressive skills in ASL, further develop and improve controlled lectures and conversations.

Course Organization:

The course objectives will be achieved through a program of reading, lectures, presentation, activities, video tapes and conversations.

Textbook & Supplies

1. American Sign Language by Tom Humphries and Carol Padden
2. Pen or #2 Pencil, 3-ring notebook and Spiral notebook (30 to 40 papers)
3. All pass-out papers (Must be inserted in notebook)
4. Sense of Humor
5. Creativity
6. Patience
7. Smile

Course Policies

1. Preparation, attendance and practice are the keys to success in this course. You must find a lot of time for this course for practicing, writing homework and assignments before class starts. You are expected to go to few activities for participation to learn how to communicate with Deaf people.
2. All assignments are due at the beginning of the class as Instructor request. If you don't get the assignment ready, you can't practice with others. It is not fair with your partner who is eager to practice and learn more. It also wastes your time in writing in the classroom.

3. Exams and quizzes will cover all materials assigned for reading and practicing as well as those presented or discussion in class and must be taken during scheduled class sessions. Instructor sometimes reschedules quizzes due to class progression. **NO MAKE -UP TEST WILL BE GIVEN WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT OF THE INSTRUCTOR.**
4. All students in my classes are presumed honest. Proof to the contrary (i.e., cheating or plagiarism) will result in a grade of zero for the test. It is not fair with Instructor and students.
5. Feel free to talk to me after class, give me an e-mail if you have any questions or concerns. I may not be able to solve all your problems, but I will do my best to help you.
6. **TALKING WITH YOUR VOICE IS NOT ALLOWED! THIS IS TO HELP YOU USING SIGN LANGUAGE MORE WITH RESPECT.** From this point on you will be treated as college students. In return, I do expect you to conduct yourself in an appropriate manner. Any student, who disrupts class with no respect, I will ask him/her to leave class and deduct 10 points for disrupting.

Occasionally, the instructor will announce Deaf Activities happening in the area. For extra credit, students must obtain permission from the instructor. Students must participate and stay at the activity for at least one hour. The student is required to write a one-page paper about the activity, which is due the next class period. The extra credit points that are possible for the various activities will be announced in class.

Points:

- 1 Book Report = 100 points
- 6 Quizzes = 20 points each
- 2 Tests – Midterm/ Final Examination = 60 points each
- 1 Presentation = 100 points
- Participation = 110 points

The total numbers of points will be totaled and will reflect the grade student earns. See points and grades below:

<u>Points</u>		<u>Grades</u>
550-511	A	100-90%
510-471	B	89-80%
470-431	C	79-70%
430-391	D	69-60%
390- 0	F	59- 0%

Book Report: _____

Book Report is due on _____. Student is responsible to find a book (Deaf Like Me) and summarize the story. (A minimum one page report) Instructor will be available to answer any questions. Student can read more books, but no extra points.

Quizzes:

Quizzes will be given after practicing in the class. If student comes late, she/he loses points on quiz. Example: Instructor starts quiz and get to number 3, then student comes late and she/he will lose two points.

Midterm: _____

The exam will be given after practicing for 15 minutes in the class. Students must take the exam in order to receive points.

Final Exam: _____

The final exam will be given after practicing for 15 minutes in the class.

I look forward to seeing you in class. Deadline to drop class is _____.

College of the Sequoias-ASL 1
Mondays-6:10 PM to 8:50 PM
Instructor: Katherine Carlsen
Spring Class -2002

Jan 14 Introduction to class: Unit 1
Jan 21 Holiday - No class
Jan 28 Review Unit 1; Unit 2
Feb 4 Review Unit 2; **Quiz**; Unit 3
Feb 11 Review Unit 3; Unit 4
Feb 18 Review Unit 4; **Quiz**; Unit 5
Feb 25 Review Unit 5; Unit 6
Mar 4 Special Activity in groups
Mar 11 Review Unit 6; **Quiz**; Review units (1-6)
Mar 18 **Midterm Examination** - No late excuse; Unit 7
Mar 25 Happy Chicks-No class
Apr 1 Review Unit 7; Unit 8; Bring three children
Apr 8 Review Unit 8; **Quiz**; unit 9; Work on children books
Apr 15 Review Unit 9; Unit 10; Work on children books
Apr 22 Review Unit 10; **Quiz**; Unit 11; Work on children book
Apr 29 Review Unit 11; Unit 12; Work on children book
May 6 Review Unit 12; **Quiz**; Storytelling Test
May 13 Storytelling Test; Review Units; Book Report Due
May 20 **Final Examination**