

Model Course/Program Outcomes Guide

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Directions: Please complete this form to document your progress toward improving student learning. For each item, indicate your progress and your anticipated next steps. Thank you!

Course/Program Title: Basic Sign Language ASL 101

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This course requires students to develop proficient receptive and expressive skills, so they may communicate with the deaf community.

The course is designed for students who have little or no previous knowledge of sign language. It features an introduction to the basics of American Sign Language. Readiness for learning will be approached via visual-gesture communication techniques, visual discrimination, and visual memory exercises. ASL questions, commands, and simple sentences will be covered; receptive and expressive sign vocabulary building will be featured through class activities leading to basic conversational skills in ASL. Information about the Deaf community and its culture will also be featured.

Expected Learning Outcomes: The goals of this course are to develop competency in:

- introducing oneself
- exchanging personal information
- discussing living situations
- talking about family
- telling about activities
- storytelling

CORE LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Students completing this course will be able to:

1. Develop appropriate use of ASL signs.
2. Participate in dialogue with ASL users or classmates.
3. Learn how to interact with ASL users or classmates.
4. Understand the fundamental grammatical rules of ASL.
5. Use expressive and receptive skills.
6. Improve the comprehensive skills for communicating with ASL users or classmates.
7. Differentiate the meaning of ASL signs in different contexts.
8. Write effective, organized, clear, and grammatically correct English in a format appropriate for a specific subject, purpose, and audience.

9. Generate and evaluate alternative solutions to problems when determining the most appropriate way to communicate using ASL in unfamiliar situations.
10. Display academic honesty and adhere to professional standards in their fields.
11. Value the importance and responsibility of the individual.
12. Appreciate lifelong learning and understand its applicability to their educational goals.
13. Acknowledge a plurality of cultural and personal values and will demonstrate respect for the right of others to express their viewpoints with particular emphasis on deaf culture.
14. Examine a global issue/event from the perspective of the deaf community and deaf individuals.
15. Recognize the importance of American Sign Language in understanding cultural differences.
16. Work cooperatively in groups with diverse membership and contribute to the group's efforts with ideas and suggestions.

ASSESSMENTS:

Satisfactory performance is based on activities in class, completion of assignments on time, quizzes, reports, mid-term and final examinations on content presented. The nature of evaluations will be provided as you progress through the course.

1. Class attendance.....	10%
2. Class participation in activities involving individual, one-to-one and team work.....	10%
3. Readings, homework assignments and outside class activities.....	10%
4. Quizzes.....	20%
5. Mid-term examination.....	25%
6. Final examination.....	25%

- A 90-100
- B 80-89
- C 70-79
- D 60-69
- F 59 and below

Validation

Results

Follow-up

Budget Justification