ASL 3 Course Outline as of Summer 2022

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ASL 3 Title: INT AMER SIGN LANG PT 1

Full Title: Intermediate American Sign Language - Part 1

Last Reviewed: 1/25/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week	ζ.	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	4.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	70.00
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 140.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: ASL 2A

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of ASL 2

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Recommended:

Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive:

E Humanities Fall 1991

CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

C2 Humanities Fall 1991

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

6A Language Other Than English Fall 1996

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1996 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 1996 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Major Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Engage in conversations and presentations in ASL, using statements, questions, descriptions, narrative elements, and referents, while modeling behaviors that are culturally appropriate among ASL signers.
- 2. Use and comprehend vocabulary as used for everyday or specialized topics and activities, including recognition of sociolinguistic variation.
- 3. Use more advanced grammatical and compositional structures through the study of ASL literature and discourse, such as temporal aspect variations, when clauses, conditionals, storytelling conventions and types of discussion.
- 4. Discuss historical and contemporary perspectives on ASL and Deaf culture, including sociolinguistic and intersectional variations in the Deaf experience.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate understanding of signing and fingerspelling with accuracy.
- 2. Compose comprehensible sentences and passages with communicative purposes, displaying accuracy in ASL parameter and grammatical usage.
- 3. Generate questions, requests, narratives, and informational presentations using simple to complex grammatical structures involving subjects and predicates.
- 4. Respond to signers and audiences, using common ASL vocabulary, metalinguistic feedback, and clarifications related to everyday and specialized topics.
- 5. Use greetings, interactions, conversational, discussion, and presentation techniques in a culturally appropriate manner.

- 6. Correctly interpret or evaluate content from authentic ASL texts.
- 7. Use intermediate to advanced grammatical structures involving subjects and predicates.
- 8. Use fingerspelling to express names, lexicalized signs and loan words.
- 9. Develop, organize, and sign narratives and presentations
- 10. Describe social, cultural, historical, political, sociolinguistic, and intersectional aspects of Deaf and signing communities in the USA.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Course Orientation
 - A. Accessing and using course materials
 - 1. classroom
 - 2. campus
 - 3. community and online resources
 - B. Production of ASL texts (videos)
 - C. Review of ASL conventions
 - 1. eye contact
 - 2. voices off
 - 3. attention-getting
 - 4. turn-taking
 - D. Review of commands and requests

II. Vocabulary Development

- A. People
 - 1. identity
 - 2. social roles
 - 3. cultural roles
 - 4. political roles
 - 5. occupations
- B. Places
 - 1. housing and building features and details
 - 2. cities
 - 3. states
 - 4. nations
 - 5. regions
 - 6. geography
- C. Descriptions
 - 1. use of classifiers to enhance adjectives and adverbs
 - 2. sizes
 - 3. distances
 - 4. colors
 - 5. shapes
 - 6. opinions
 - 7. feelings
 - 8. building interiors
- D. Numbers and time
 - 1. cardinal numbers up to a billion
 - 2. telling time
 - 3. phone numbers
 - 4. money
 - 5. years
 - 6. past/future

- 7. ranking
- E. Activities
 - 1. leisure
 - 2. sports
 - 3. hobbies
 - 4. travel
- F. Interactions
 - 1. sharing news
 - 2. making plans
 - 3. asking for permission
 - 4. requests
 - 5. making suggestions
- G. Affirmations and negations
 - 1. corrections
 - 2. confirmations
 - 3. elaborations
 - 4. concerns
 - 5. complaints
 - 6. criticism
 - 7. declinations
- H. Miscellaneous
 - 1. ailments
 - 2. natural disasters
 - 3. holidays
 - 4. popular culture
 - 5. current trends
 - 6. technology
 - 7. illness
 - 8. gossip
 - 9. informal registers
 - 10. slang

III. Grammatical Development

- A. Parameters
 - 1. handshape
 - 2. location
 - 3. movement
 - 4. palm orientation
 - 5. non-manual markers
- B. Classifiers
 - 1. descriptive
 - 2. locative
 - 3. instrumental
 - 4. semantic
 - 5. entity
 - 6. body part
 - 7. body part shape and size specifier
 - 8. elemental
 - 9. plural
- C. Non-manual markers
 - 1. facial expressions
 - 2. body shifting

- 3. mouth morphemes
- D. Expanded sentence details
 - 1. subject-predicate structure
 - 2. topicalization
 - 3. conjunctions
 - 4. role-shifting
 - 5. adjectives
 - 6. adverbs
 - 7. conditional
 - 8. sequencing events
- E. Verb modification
 - 1. directionality
 - 2. multi-subject verb agreement
 - 3. advanced temporal aspect
 - a. uninflected
 - b. recurring
 - c. continuous
- F. Comparisons
 - 1. contrastive structure
 - 2. listing/ranking
 - 3. incorporation of subordinate details
 - a. narration or description
 - b. locative consistency
- G. Questions
 - 1. wh-q
 - 2. rhetorical
 - 3. requests
 - 4. advice-seeking
 - 5. when clauses

IV. Composition

- A. Narratives
 - 1. autobiographical
 - 2. creative
- B. Problem-based scenarios
 - 1. conflicts
 - 2. resolutions
- C. Presentations (informative)
- D. Handshape and number storytelling

V. Cultural Skills

- A. Communicating with others
 - 1. backchanneling
 - 2. clarification
 - 3. asking for new signs
- B. Etiquette and behavioral norms
 - 1. signing environments
 - 2. attention-getting
 - 3. interruptions
 - 4. pointing in public
 - 5. social conventions
- C. Traditions and heritage

- 1. folklore
- 2. storytelling
- 3. poetry
- 4. visual vernacular
- 5. humor
- 6. history
- 7. notable events, places, and persons
- 8. current issues and trends
- 9. cultural activities
- 10. sociolinguistic and intersectional topics

Assignment:

- 1. Readings on sign language grammar, techniques, and cultural topics from textbook, print, or digital materials (average 10-15 pages per week)
- 2. Video viewings from DVD or online collections (1-3 hours per week)
- 3. Memorization of sign vocabulary and grammatical modifications (average 50-100 signs per week)
- 4. Receptive practice exercises (2-5 per week)
- 5. Expressive practice exercises, such as vocabulary recitations, solo monologues, paired or group dialogues; presentations; role-playing (2-5 per week)
- 6. Expressive video or live performance projects (3-6 projects per semester)
- 7. Written or signed responses, such as reflections, analyses, or reports (2-4 per semester)
- 8. Quizzes, tests, final exam

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written or signed responses, exercises

Writing 10 - 20%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Expressive practice exercises, expressive projects, receptive exercises

Skill Demonstrations 40 - 50%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, tests, final exam

Exams 20 - 30%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Expressive video or live performance projects

Other Category 10 - 30%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

TRUE+WAY American Sign Language (online content). 2020.

My ASL Book: A Communicative Approach for Learning a Visual Language, Levels 2 & 3 (print and online content). Bangs. Donald. Kendall Hunt Publishing. 2018

Movers and Shakers: Deaf People Who Changed the World (print). Carroll, Carroll and Mathers, Susan. DawnSignPress. 1997 (classic)

Signing Naturally: Level 2, Units 13-17 (print and DVDs or online content). Lentz, Ella and Mikos, Ken and Smith, Cheri. DawnSignPress. 1992 (classic) Instructor-prepared materials.