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American Sign Language 200 Syllabus - Spring 2010

Class: TR 10:15 - 11:40 am **Code Number:** 20274

Course Description:

Continues development of American Sign Language conversational skills. Techniques of facial expression, body movement and specialization as it relates to American Sign Language and Deaf culture will be studied.

Attendance Policy:

Attendance is crucial. If you miss more than three classes, you must bring valid documentation (doctors note, jury duty notice, etc.) to the next class meeting or you will be dropped from the course. If you miss two classes in a row, contact me by e-mail to ensure your enrollment in the class.

Grading:

Grades will be assigned on a standard distribution (90 - 100% = A, 80 -89.9% = B, etc.). There will be no extra credit.

Attendance	150	(includes participation, no voice, following class rules)
Homework	200	(includes lab homework and written homework)
Exams	300	(3-4 exams at 50-125 points each)
Quizzes	100	
Presentations	100	(2 presentations at 50 points each)
Interactive section finals	100	
Deaf event report	50	
TOTAL	1,000	

Class rules:

1. Maintain eye contact
2. No phones, no texting
3. No side conversations
4. Ask the instructor if you don't understand - NOT the person next to you.
5. No cheating.

Teaching Strategy:

The instructor will generally be teaching with a voice off approach. This will increase your receptive comprehension, and is essential for any students with hearing impairments who may be in the class. Your instructor will check for comprehension and require interaction. You will be participating in a variety of in class exercises designed to increase both your receptive and expressive skills. Please arrive to class on time, ready to start signing.

Accommodations:

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS) office as soon as possible. The DSPS office is located in the Health Sciences Building, room 2117. The telephone number is 355-6312.