

Miami-Dade College
ASL 2220 - ASL Receptive Skills Development

Catalog Description:

The course focuses on increasing receptive understanding of signed communications. Examples of American Sign Language (ASL) are presented via videotapes and live interactions with deaf persons. Students identify all the components and linguistic features of ASL and provide appropriate English translations either in speech (paraphrasing) or in written form. (3 hr. lecture)

3 Credits

Prerequisite: ASL 1150C

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate knowledge of ASL and English-based signing by:

- a. identifying ASL components and linguistic features present on selected video samples
- b. accurately stating the message in selected video samples at the level of the sign/word, phrase and sentence

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate the ability to understand complex signed presentations performed in person or on videotapes by:

- a. delivering oral paraphrased summaries of signed communications
- b. employing effective public speaking skills
- c. using standard American English grammar and syntax and appropriate vocabulary.

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate the ability to understand complex signed presentations performed on videotapes by:

- a. translating into written form signed communications performed in ASL or in signed English
- b. using correct English grammar, punctuation and paragraphing skills

Competency 4: The student will demonstrate the ability to critique his/her own work and to give constructive feedback to peers by:

- a. analyzing their strengths and weaknesses in understanding signed communications and describing them in linguistically appropriate terms
- b. working in small groups viewing videos and helping each other decipher complex communications
- c. assessing each other's strengths and weaknesses and giving behaviorally oriented feedback

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