



**College of Education and Human Development
Division of Special Education and disAbility Research**

Fall 2020
EDSE 115 DL2: American Sign Language (ASL) I
CRN: 76215, 4 – Credits

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❖ Note: This syllabus may change according to class needs. Teacher Candidates/Students will be advised of any changes immediately through George Mason e-mail and/or through Blackboard.

Prerequisite(s):

None

Co-requisite(s):

None

Course Description

Focuses on introduction of American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf culture. Teaches basic person-to-person conversational signing. Emphasizes development of expressive and receptive skills. Increases knowledge of ASL vocabulary and the syntax, semantics, and pragmatics of the language.

Advising Contact Information

Please make sure that you are being advised on a regular basis as to your status and progress in your program. Students in Special Education and Assistive Technology programs can contact the Special Education Advising Office at 703-993-3670 or speced@gmu.edu for assistance. All other students should refer to their assigned program advisor or the Mason Care Network (703-993-2470).

Advising Tip

Would you like the opportunity to work on campus with students with special needs? The LIFE Program (<http://masonlife.gmu.edu/>) is an innovative post-secondary program at Mason for

young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who desire a university experience in a supportive academic environment. A variety of employment opportunities are available.

Course Delivery Method

Online

Learning activities include the following:

1. Class lecture and discussion
2. Application activities
3. Small group activities and assignments
4. Video and other media supports
5. Research and presentation activities
6. Electronic supplements and activities via Blackboard

This course will be delivered online (76% or more) using synchronous format via the Blackboard Learning Management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal. You will log in to the Blackboard (Bb) course site using your Mason email name (everything before @masonlive.gmu.edu) and email password. The course site will be available on 07/10/2020

Under no circumstances, may candidates/students participate in online class sessions (either by phone or Internet) while operating motor vehicles. Further, as expected in a face-to-face class meeting, such online participation requires undivided attention to course content and communication.

Technical Requirements

To participate in this course, students will need to satisfy the following technical requirements:

- High-speed Internet access with standard up-to-date browsers. To get a list of Blackboard's supported browsers see: [Browser support \(https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#supported-browsers\)](https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#supported-browsers)

To get a list of supported operation systems on different devices see: [Tested devices and operating systems \(https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems\)](https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems)

- Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.
- Students may be asked to create logins and passwords on supplemental websites and/or to download trial software to their computer or tablet as part of course requirements.
- The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download:
 - [Adobe Acrobat Reader \(https://get.adobe.com/reader/\)](https://get.adobe.com/reader/)
 - [Windows Media Player \(https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player\)](https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player)

- [Apple Quick Time Player \(www.apple.com/quicktime/download/\)](http://www.apple.com/quicktime/download/)

Expectations

- **Course Week:**
Our course week will begin on the day that our synchronous meetings take place as indicated on the Schedule of Classes.
- **Log-in Frequency:**
Students must actively check the course Blackboard site and their GMU email for communications from the instructor, class discussions, and/or access to course materials at least 3 times per week. In addition, students must log-in for all scheduled online synchronous meetings.
- **Participation:**
Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which includes viewing all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.
- **Technical Competence:**
Students are expected to demonstrate competence in the use of all course technology. Students who are struggling with technical components of the course are expected to seek assistance from the instructor and/or College or University technical services.
- **Technical Issues:**
Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.
- **Workload:**
Please be aware that this course is not self-paced. Students are expected to meet *specific deadlines* and *due dates* listed in the Class Schedule section of this syllabus. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of the weekly course schedule of topics, readings, activities and assignments due.
- **Instructor Support:**
Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content or other course-related issues. Those unable to come to a Mason campus can meet with the instructor via telephone or web conference. Students should email the instructor to schedule a one-on-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.
- **Netiquette:**
The course environment is a collaborative space. Experience shows that even an innocent remark typed in the online environment can be misconstrued. Students must always re-read their responses carefully before posting them, so as others do not consider them as personal offenses. *Be positive in your approach with others and diplomatic in selecting your words.* Remember that you are not competing with classmates, but sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.
- **Accommodations:**

Online learners who require effective accommodations to insure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

Learner Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Develop minimal ASL conversational skills and vocabulary to effectively communicate with members of the Deaf community in the United States (DH1S2, C1.1).
2. Introduce self and produce correct handshape form for letters and numbers, fingerspell names, ask yes/no questions (C1.1).
3. Narrate language and home background (C1.1).
4. Identify person and give information about that person (C1.1).
5. Describe residence, use contrastive structures, tell about living arrangements (C1.1).
6. Talk about family and family relationships, tell similarities and differences between self and sibling, discuss information about relationship, marital status, age, etc (C1.1).
7. Develop a basic awareness of language and culture alive in the Deaf community today (DH1S2, C2.1).

Professional Standards

Goals, objectives, and assignments in this class address NCATE Standard 1b/ Pedagogical Content Knowledge and 1c / Skills Professional and Pedagogical Knowledge and Skills, the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Knowledge and Skill Standards, the Council on Education of the Deaf, and the Virginia Department of Education teacher licensure competencies. Goals, objectives, and assignments in this class address the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Knowledge and the American Sign Language Teachers Association (ASLTA) competencies. Code for CEC Standards: DH = Deaf and Hard of Hearing; Code for ASLTA Standards: C1 = Communication, C2 = Culture, C3 = Connections, C4 = Comparisons, C5 = Communities.

Required Textbooks

Smith, C., Lentz, E., & Mikos, K. (2008). *Signing naturally: Units 1-6 student set*. San Diego, CA: Dawn Sign Press.

Note: Students are expected to order the books online (amazon, dawnsignpress, etc) for Fall semester. The GMU bookstore will not order many books to reduce the spread of the virus on campus.

Required Resources (do not need to purchase-the copies will be uploaded on Blackboard)

Newell, W., Sanders, C., Holcomb, B., Holcomb, S., Caccamise, F., Peterson, R. (2010). *ASL at Work: Student Text*. San Diego, CA: Dawn Sign Press

Sign up and register GoReact.

<https://goreact.com/>

Recommended Textbooks

American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). <https://doi.org/10.1037/0000165-000>

Course Performance Evaluation

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, VIA, hard copy).

Other Assignments

Quizzes:

EDSE 115 (ASL I) You will have 4 units of Comprehension quizzes. The instructor will ask you 10 questions and you have to answer them in ASL. If you miss a quiz, you will get zero. Your quizzes will be done into GoReact platform. There will be no make-up quizzes. Timely attendance is required for all quizzes. Tardy students receive zeros for the parts missed. 30 minutes limit for each quiz. Dates of the tests are shown on the class schedule.

You will have 4 units of Production quizzes. The quizzes will consist of the following sections: productions, grammar, & facial expressions. If you miss a quiz, you will get zero. Your quizzes will be done into GoReact platform. There will be no make-up quizzes. Timely attendance is required for all quizzes. Tardy students receive zeros for the parts missed. 30 minutes limit for each quiz. Dates of the tests are shown on the class schedule.

Final Exam:

The final exam is a comprehension & Production exam which focuses on both the production and receptive from Units 1-4 lessons. The final exam will be one-on-one with students involving an interview with the dialogue format. Zoom will be used for the one-on-one the final examination online.

Assignments:

Students will complete Book and Video Assignments. Assignments are due on the date shown on the class schedule below.

Signing Naturally Workbook Assignments: Students will submit typed answers or photos of their work in the textbook and paste them in a Microsoft Word document. Students will post their work using only PDF or Microsoft Word documents; any other file format submitted result in a zero.

Post: Blackboard

Video Assignments: Students will post their video work on GoReact. The student's ASL production will be evaluated. Signs should be clear and formed correctly, signed in a fluent manner and accompanied by appropriate facial grammar and spatial references, eye gazes, topicalization, appropriate pauses for both individual signs and ASL sentences. Rubrics are posted on GoReact in advance.

Editing ASL videos:

Students are required to edit their ASL videos.

Tips for tests and video journals:

1. Make sure the video is centered and visible where the instructor can see the top of the student's head and the bottom of the student's chest area.
2. Make sure that the background is clean (one-colored wall) and free of "visual noise" (books, DVD's, TV running, kitchen items, dog appearing, etc.).
3. Wear only solid-colored shirts free of logos. The color of the student's shirt should contrast their skin tone. Avoid red, yellow, and orange shades. If students have tattoos on their arms, they should wear long-sleeved shirts.
4. Remove hats and excessive jewelry. Wedding rings and small earrings are ok.
5. If students are sitting, do not swivel.
6. Beds are not appropriate places to create videos.

Note: Any video assignments that does not meet the any of the above criteria will result in a **10-point deduction** for the assignment.

Post: GoReact

Video Projects

Students will retell a story of "The Elevator Incident". The story is available on the DVD and the Student Workbook (pp. 137) and submit the video on GoReact and Rubrics will be given via GoReact and "Gallaudet and Clerc story" Unit 6. The story is available on the DVD and the Student Workbook (pp. 329-337) and submit the video on GoReact and Rubrics will be given via GoReact.

Deaf Community Research Paper:

Students will write one paper about the Deaf community. Students will need to find a website from the categories listed below:

1. An organization dedicated to Deaf people.
2. An educational program school or university that serves Deaf students.
3. A website related to ASL learning the language, or research.

Note: research on oral methods or oral approach is not accepted, the focus is on sign language organizations, programs and websites- international signs are accepted**

Students will write a paper for each category (organization, educational and ASL), summarizing the website and information. The summary should be 1 to 2 pages long, size 12 font and double-spaced. The website link must be included in the paper. Due dates are shown on the Class Schedule.

Plagiarism is not allowed. Will result in a zero on the assignment.

Post: Blackboard

- NAD.org

- behearddc.org
- NBDA.org
- <https://deafdawn.org/>
- <http://wfdeaf.org/>
- <https://www.naobidc.org/>
- <https://www.deafrad.org/>
- <https://www.verywellhealth.com/deaf-and-hard-of-hearing-gay-community-1046583>
- <https://www.deaflympics.com/news>
- <https://rid.org/>
- <https://www.csd.org/>
- <https://www.odhh.org/>
- <https://nvrc.org/>
- <https://deafchildren.org/>
- <https://www.mydeafchild.org/>
- <http://www.deafwomenofcolor.org/>
- <https://www.rit.edu/ntid/>
- <https://deaf-art.org/>
- <https://dcara.org/>
- <https://www.vddhh.org/>
- <http://www.deafinternational.org/>
- <https://www.deafvisa.org/>

Course Policies and Expectations.

Attendance/Participation

It is expected that students will attend each scheduled class on zoom on time. Meeting dates are shown on the Class Schedule.

Students will be allowed one (2) absence without penalty. Each absence afterwards will result in a 2% deduction from the total grade as shown below:

First Absence – no penalty

Second Absence – no penalty

Third Absence or more – 2% deduction of the final grade

Two (2) late arrivals on zoom will be equivalent to one (1) absence which will be applied to the policy stated above.

Late Work

Any papers, videos, or assignments will not be accepted past due dates.

Note: Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.

Other Requirements

No Voicing Policy:

To enhance students' language acquisition of ASL, a "no voicing" setting will be enforced. All voice will be muted in the Zoom settings. So you will not be able to turn the voice on. Respect the instructor and classmates by refraining from voicing or

interpreting for others. If students do not understand the instructor or classmates (or missed a portion of information), please ask the instructor for clarification.

Grading Scale

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| A+ | 97-100 |
| A | 94-96 |
| A- | 90-93 |
| B+ | 87-89 |
| B | 84-86 |
| B- | 81-83 |
| C+ | 79-80 |
| C | 76-78 |
| C- | 74-75 |
| D | 70-73 |
| F | Below 70 |

Grade Distribution:

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| 1. Signing Naturally workbook | 5% |
| 2. Research paper | 5% |
| 3. Video Projects | 5% |
| 4. Comprehension Quizzes | 15% |
| 5. Production Quizzes | 15% |
| 6. Final Exam (Expressive and Receptive) | 20 % |
| 7. <u>Video Assignments (including feedback videos)</u> | <u>35%</u> |
| Total | 100% |

***Note:** The George Mason University Honor Code will be strictly enforced (see [Academic Integrity Site \[https://oai.gmu.edu/\]](https://oai.gmu.edu/) and [Honor Code and System \[https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/\]](https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/)). Students are responsible for reading and understanding the Code. “To promote a stronger sense of mutual responsibility, respect, trust, and fairness among all members of the George Mason University community and with the desire for greater academic and personal achievement, we, the student members of the university community, have set forth this honor code: Student members of the George Mason University community pledge not to cheat, plagiarize, steal, or lie in matters related to academic work.” Work submitted must be your own new, original work for this course or with proper citations.

Professional Dispositions

Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times. See [Policies and Procedures \(https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/policies-procedures/\)](https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/policies-procedures/).

Class Schedule

***Note:** Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.
NOTE: All assignments are due at Eastern Standard Time (EST).

Assignments: Due on Thursdays at 11pm
 Post: Blackboard/GoReact

Zoom Meetings: For the first day of the class, we will meet on Zoom at 10:30am on August 24, Monday. After that, we will meet once a week on Wednesdays (most of time). There will be two split groups. Group A at 10:30am to 11:20am and Group B at 11:30am – 12:20pm. On September 23, all students will meet on Zoom from 10:30am to 12:20pm.

| August 24 | Type | Description | Due date |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---|----------------------|
| Syllabus, Blackboard, & GoReact | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, 10:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fingerspelling your names | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Register GoReact | By August 25 at 11pm |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 4-5 (Reading only) | N/A |

| August 26 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|------------------|---|----------------------|
| Unit 1.1-1.4 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.1-1.4 PowerPoint lesson | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask for Name practice , Cardinal Numbers 1-10, Andrew Foster, Deaf Profile | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 Video Assignment Part 1 (GoReact) Unit 1.2 & Unit 1.3 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By August 27 at 11pm |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.4 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 14-15 (Reading only) | N/A |

| August 31 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| Unit 1.5- Unit 8 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.5-1.8 PowerPoint lesson | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask for Name practice , Cardinal Numbers 1-10, Andrew Foster, Deaf Profile | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 Video Assignment Part 2 (GoReact) Unit 1.6, Unit 1.7, Unit 1.8 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By September 1 at 11pm |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.7 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 23 (Reading only) | N/A |

| September 2 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-------------|-------|---|----------|
| Unit 1-4 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |

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| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialogue & Activities | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| September 7 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|---|----------|
| No class - Labor weekend | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| September 9 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| Unit 5-8 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialogue & Activities | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| September 14 | Type | Description | Due date |
|---------------|----------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Unit 1.9-1.12 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.9-1.12 PowerPoint lesson | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask for Name practice , Cardinal Numbers 1-10, Andrew Foster, Deaf Profile | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 Video Assignment Part 3 (GoReact) Unit 1.9 & Unit 1.3 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By September 15 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1.10 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 23 (Reading & Viewing on DVD only) Unit 1.12 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 33 (Reading & Viewing on DVD only) | N/A |

| September 16 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|---------|--|----------|
| | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quizzes (look below) | N/A |

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| Unit 1 Quizzes | Unit 1 Comprehension Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by September 17 by 11pm |
| | Unit 1 Production Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by September 17 at 11pm |
| | Unit 1: Deaf History/Culture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blackboard | Due by September 17 at 11pm |

| September 21 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Unit 2.1-2.4 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.1 – 2.4 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes/No questions, Cardinal Numbers 6-19, Which hand do I use? Gallaudet University history, Language Background | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2 Video Assignment Part 1 (GoReact) Unit 2.2, & Unit 2.4 & Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By September 22 at 11pm |
| | Reading/Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.1 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 54-57 (Reading only) | N/A |

| September 23 | Type | Description | Due date |
|----------------|------------------|--|----------|
| Deaf Awareness | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, 10:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaf Trivia & Deaf History/Culture/Community | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| September 28 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Unit 2.5-2.8 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.1 – 2.4 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up letters, Who enjoys what, Cardinals 20-29, & Draw the Shapes | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2 Video Assignment Part 2 (GoReact) Unit 2.6, Unit 2.8 & Unit 2.9 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By September 29 at 11pm |
| | Reading/Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.6 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 70-71 (Reading only) | N/A |

| September 30 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| Unit 2.3 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |

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| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TIC-TAC-TOE Activity (must wear some letters on shirt) | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| October 5 | Type | Description | Due date |
|---------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Unit 2.9-2.12 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.9 – 2.12 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes/No questions, Cardinal Numbers 6-19, Which hand do I use? Gallaudet University history, | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2 Video Assignment Part 3 (GoReact) Unit 2.9, 2.10 & Unit 1.3 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By September 15 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2.11 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 83 (Reading and Viewing only) Unit 2.12 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 84-86 (Reading and Viewing only) | N/A |

| October 7 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-----------|----------------------|--|----------|
| Unit 2.12 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversation Strategy: Asking What is the Sign? | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| October 12 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| Unit 2 Quizzes | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quizzes (look below) | N/A |
| | Unit 2 Comprehension Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by October 13 by 11pm |
| | Unit 2 Production Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by October 13 at 11pm |
| | Unit 2: Deaf History/Culture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blackboard | Due by October 13 at 11pm |

| October 14 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.1 – 3.5 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |

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| Unit 3.1-3.5 | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Real World Orientation, Giving Commands, Douglas Tilden (Deaf Profile), Words with Z, & Wh-WHICH | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3 Video Assignment Part 1 (GoReact) Unit 3.5 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By October 15 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.2 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 112 (Reading and Viewing only) Unit 3.3 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 113-114 (Reading and Viewing only) | N/A |

| October 19 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Unit 3.6-3.9 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.6 – 3.10 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordinal Numbers 1st-9th, Basic directions, Identify and draw, Cardinals Numbers 30-66, & Conversations | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3 Video Assignment Part 2 (GoReact) Unit 3.7, Unit 3.8 & Unit 3.9 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By October 20 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | N/A | N/A |

| October 21 | Type | Description | Due date |
|------------|----------------------|--|----------|
| Unit 2.12 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversation Strategy: Asking What is the Sign? | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| October 26 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Unit 3.10- 3.12 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.10 – 3.12 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expressing Needs, Down Letters, & Lengths of time | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3 Video Assignment Part 3 (GoReact) Unit 3.10 & 3.12 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By October 27 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| October 28 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am | N/A |

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| | | Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | |
| Unit 3.11 | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crossword Puzzle | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| November 2 | Type | Description | Due date |
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| Unit 3.13- 3.16 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.13 – 3.15 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversations, Visual Ways of Livings, Asking What is the Sign | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3 Video Assignment Part 4 (GoReact) Unit 3.15 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By October 27 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 3.14 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 150 (Reading only) Unit 3.16 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 152 (Reading only) | N/A |

| November 4 | Type | Description | Due date |
|------------|----------------------|--|----------|
| Unit 3.15 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is The Sign? | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| November 9 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-------------------|------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Unit 3 Quizzes | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quizzes (look below) | N/A |
| | Unit 3 Comprehension Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by November 10 by 11pm |
| | Unit 3 Production Quiz | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GoReact | Due by November 10 at 11pm |
| | Unit 3: Deaf History/Culture | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blackboard | Due by November 10 at 11pm |

| November 11 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-------------|---------|---|----------|
| | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4.1-4.4 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |

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| Unit 4.1-4.4 | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversations, Forming Negative Responses, Rocking Numbers 67-98, Marie Jean Philip (Deaf Profile) | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4 Video Assignment Part 1 (GoReact) Unit 4.1, 4.3 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By November 12 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4.4 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 186-187 (Reading only) | N/A |

| November 16 | Type | Description | Due date |
|--------------|----------------------|--|------------------------|
| Unit 4.5-4.8 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4.5-4.8 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversations with Family, Rankings, Moving Letter J, & Possessive Adjectives. | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4 Video Assignment Part 2 (GoReact) Unit 4.5, Unit 4.7 & 4.8 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By November 17 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| November 18 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-----------------|----------------------|--|----------|
| Unit 4.2 & 4.10 | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forming Negative Responses | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

| November 23 | Type | Description | Due date |
|---------------|----------------------|---|------------------------|
| Unit 4.9-4.15 | GoReact | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4.9-4.12 PowerPoint lessons | N/A |
| | Lessons/ Activity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What's The Relationship? Ten Years Later..., What Number is it?, David's Keys, Commenting on Family Members | N/A |
| | Assignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4 Video Assignment Part 3 (GoReact) Unit 4.13, & Unit 4.14 Signing Naturally Workbook (Blackboard) | By November 24 at 11pm |
| | Reading/ Viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4.9 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 203 (Reading only) Unit 4.15 Signing Naturally Workbook pg. 210-211 (Reading and Viewing only) | N/A |

| November 25 | Type | Description | Due date |
|-------------|-------|---|----------|
| | Class | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A | N/A |

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| No class - Thanksgiving | Lessons/Activity | • N/A | N/A |
| | Assignment | • N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | • N/A | N/A |

| November 30 | Type | Description | Due date |
|----------------|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unit 4 Quizzes | GoReact | • Quizzes (look below) | N/A |
| | Unit 4 Comprehension Quiz | • GoReact | Due by November 3 by 11pm |
| | Unit 3 Production Quiz | • GoReact | Due by November 3 at 11pm |
| | Unit 3: Deaf History/Culture | • Blackboard | Due by November 3 at 11pm |

| December 2 | Type | Description | Due date |
|------------|------------------|---|----------|
| Units 1-4 | Class | • Zoom online, Group A: 10:30-11:20am Group B: 11:30-12:20pm | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | • Units 1-4 Reviews for Finals | N/A |
| | Assignment | • N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | • N/A | N/A |

| December 9 | Type | Description | Due date |
|------------|------------------|---|----------|
| Finals | Zoom | • 5-10 minutes individual appointment with the instructor on Zoom | N/A |
| | Lessons/Activity | • Final Examination | N/A |
| | Assignment | • N/A | N/A |
| | Reading | • N/A | N/A |

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[of-computing/](#)).

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Appendix

Assessment Rubric(s)

Rubric for Assessment of ASL Expressive Skills

| | EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS | MEETS EXPECTATIONS | DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| Vocabulary: Usage of vocabulary | Accurate, relevant use of wide variety of | Generally accurate, relevant use of | Vocabulary inaccurate and used covers less |

| | EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS | MEETS EXPECTATIONS | DOES NOT MEET EXPECTATIONS |
|--|--|---|---|
| | vocabulary used from all units studied (2) | vocabulary from more than half the units studied (1) | than half the units studied |
| Formation: Handshape, Palm Orientation, Movement, Location | Skilled, accurate, appropriate use of hand shape, orientation, location and movement; transitions smooth (2) | Generally accurate, appropriate use; errors made do not compromise meaning (1) | Less than 50% accurate, appropriate use; errors compromise meaning; effort and practice not evident |
| Space Referents: Motion/Location of Verbs (includes eye gaze, body shifting and choice of signs) | Use is consistently accurate and appropriate; use precisely expresses intended meaning (2) | Use is generally accurate and appropriate; errors do not compromise the intended meaning; good effort (1) | Use is either not present or awkward; interferes with intended meaning; effort and practice not evident |
| Grammar: Yes/No Questions “Wh—“Questions Location Negation Contrastive Structures (referents, time, intensity, etc.) | A variety of sentence types are used; solid knowledge of grammar is evident (2) | A variety of sentence types are used; errors do not compromise meaning; use demonstrates effort and thought (1) | Use is awkward and confusing; errors compromise meaning; effort and practice not evident |
| Fluency/Accuracy Smoothness and Fluency of Signs Conceptually Accurate Ideas/Messages | Use is consistently accurate and appropriate; use precisely expresses intended meaning (2) | Use is generally accurate and appropriate; errors do not compromise the intended meaning; good effort (1) | Use is either not present or awkward; sometimes interferes with intended meaning; effort and practice not evident |
| TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE = 10 | Points earned in parenthesis | | No points earned |