Instructor: Liisa Mendoza Required texts: Signing Naturally, Level 2.

Office hours: MTWR 8:00 – 8:30 am Workbook & DVD.

MW 11:45 am – 12:45 pm Signing Naturally, Level 3. Workbook & DVD.

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American Sign Language 202 Syllabus - Spring 2013

Class: TR 11:50 am – 1:15 pm Code number: 20815

**Course Description:** The course increases or strengthens students' expressive and receptive vocabulary competency; however, the major focus of the course continues to be on the expansion of students' skills in the idiomatic usage of conversational ASL, awareness of ASL grammar, usage and syntax, and facility in expressive sign language at the intermediate level.

Student Learning Outcomes: Upon completing this course with a grade of C or better, you will be able to:

1) Incorporate a variety of ASL spatial structures correctly into narrations.

- 2) Narrate your personal stories involving multiple people and events in an ASL manner.
- 3) Examine ASL literary devices and American Deaf humor.

## **Attendance and Tardiness Policy:**

Attendance is crucial. Regular attendance in all classes is expected of all students enrolled. The instructor may drop you from this class after sufficient consecutive absences. Two consecutive tardies will be considered an absence. If you wish to drop the course, please do so yourself to ensure that your withdrawal is complete.

**Grading:** Grading will be based on a standard distribution (i.e., 90-100% = A, 80-89.9% = B). There will be 1,000 points possible during the course. No extra credit will be given.

Participation 300 (participation, no voice, following class rules, Deaf interaction)

Homework 150 (includes written and signed homework)

Exams & quizzes 350 (includes written and signed, individual and group)

Presentations 100 (2 @ 50 points each)

Deaf event reports 50 (2 events @ 25 points each)

Meeting SLOs 50 (teacher assessment of overall master of SLOs)

TOTAL 1,000

Class Rules: 1) Cell phones off and AWAY.

2) Ask the instructor if you don't understand – NOT the person next to you.

3) No cheating. Please refer to the Academic Misconduct Policy.

## **Teaching Strategy:**

The instructor will be teaching with a voice off approach. This will increase your receptive comprehension. You will be participating in a variety of class exercises designed to increase both your receptive and expressive skills. Please arrive to class on time, ready to start signing. YOU MUST PRACTICE OUTSIDE OF CLASS. The instructor will be following IVC's Discipline Policy.

## **Accommodations:**

Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Students' Programs and Services (DSPS) office as soon as possible. The DSPS office is located in the Health Sciences Building, room 2717.