



Basic Course Information

Semester:	Fall 2022	Instructor Name:	Liisa Mendoza
Course Title & #:	American Sign Language 2 – AMSL 102	Email:	liisa.mendoza@imperial.edu
CRN #:	10197	Webpage (optional):	N/A
Classroom:	3112	Office #:	2910 (In DSPS building)
Class Dates:	8/15/22 – 12/10/22	Office Hours:	Via Zoom: MW 10 – 11:30 am Via email: TR 9:30 – 10:00 am
Class Days:	TR	Office Phone #:	(760) 355-6120
Class Times:	10:15 am – 12:50 pm	Emergency Contact:	Email
Units:	4	Class Format:	On ground, face to face

Course Description

Receptive and expressive skills will be further developed through vocabulary enrichment, grammar practice, and interactive conversational exercises. Deaf culture norms and traditions will be studied in class.

Course Prerequisite(s) and/or Corequisite(s)

Recommended preparation: AMSL 100 (American Sign Language 1)

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon course completion, the successful student will have acquired new skills, knowledge, and or attitudes as demonstrated by being able to:

- 1) Distinguish correct facial grammar for six basic sentence types, recognizing the type of sentence that is being produced.
- 2) Convert simple written English sentences to grammatically correct ASL sentences.
- 3) Identify some historical features and developments in American Deaf culture.



Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of approximately 30-35 new vocabulary signs per week.
2. Recognize commonly fingerspelled words up to five letters at a beginning-intermediate pace.
3. Demonstrate basic knowledge of number incorporation relating to time signs.
4. Discuss in ASL topics related to employment, sports, activities, health and illness, classes, and current events.
5. Express skill, opinions, satisfaction, beliefs and advice with the selection of the appropriate signs.
6. Politely decline an ASL request or invitation.
7. Give directions to specified locations and describe the locations using classifiers.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of Deaf Culture's use of modern technology for accessible communication.
9. Describe important events in American Deaf history, including the Congress of Milan.
10. Display and recognize correct facial grammar for conditional sentences and rhetorical questions.

Textbooks & Other Resources or Links

Required text: Learning American Sign Language. (Second Edition). Humphries. T. & C. Padden. ISBN 0-205-27553-2

Recommended text: The American Sign Language Handshape Dictionary. Tennant, R. and M. Brown. ISBN 978-1-56368-444-9.

Course Requirements and Instructional Methods

Teaching Strategy:

The instructor will generally be teaching with a voice off approach, after the first few weeks. This will increase your receptive and expressive comprehension, as you will be asked to respond in ASL. 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.

The instructor knows that you will not understand 100% of her signing. The necessary information is delivered to you via in class notes accompanying the lecture and information loaded onto Canvas.

We will be introducing new vocabulary weekly, and then applying it through a variety of exercises. **You MUST practice outside of class.** We will also be learning new grammatical structures weekly as we go through the



chapters of the book. You will be asked to prepare some ASL assignments outside of class; you will be given clear instructions to follow to produce successful assignments.

You may have to sign individually to your instructor, or in small groups, or in front of the class. We will have presentations this semester, as well as signing labs, small group work, and larger group work. You will not This will require a time commitment, so please read the statement below from the Department of Education.

You will quiz weekly in this class, and will take 3 exams over the course of the semester. Most quizzes will be given in the classroom. Some quizzes will be given through the Canvas system, but not using the Canvas quiz feature. You will be given the question file and a link to a recording. You will then click on the recording and start the quiz. The exams will be administered the same way. **There are no time limits on exams or quizzes**, as you may need to watch the recordings a few times if your wifi glitches or goes down.

Out of Class Assignments: The Department of Education policy states that one (1) credit hour is the amount of student work that reasonably approximates not less than one hour of class time and two (2) hours of out-of-class time per week over the span of a semester. WASC has adopted a similar requirement.

Course Grading Based on Course Objectives

Grading will be based on a standard distribution (see below). **You are allowed to submit one late homework for full credit.** If you are ill, you will make up any in class presentations the day you return to class. If written homework is due the day you are absent, you can submit it via Canvas to the instructor. No other late homework will be accepted.

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.

Participation	150 (includes participation, no voice, following class rules)
Homework	175 (includes written and signed homework)
Exams	300
Quizzes	150
Presentations	50 (2 @ 25 points each)
Section finals	75 (3 @ 25 points each)
Interactive final	50 (signing one on one with the instructor)
Deaf Event report	50

TOTAL 1,000

Very little extra credit will be given in class during the semester. Extra credit opportunities will consist of either attending an event where you use your ASL, or you observe upper level signers using their ASL. These are called Deaf events, as there are usually Deaf people attending. There will be at least 9 Deaf events during this semester, some offered via Zoom and some on ground at various locations. You are REQUIRED to attend 1 Deaf event, and type a report about it. You may attend a second event for extra credit.



Course Policies

My classroom rules remain the same, regardless of online or on ground:

1 – **Pay attention to the best of your ability** – Class is long, and there are lots of things that can grab our attention. Please stay as focused as possible during class. We will be doing different activities to hopefully help you stay focused. If you need to go get food or take a brief break, please do so. **PLEASE KEEP YOUR PHONES OFF AND AWAY DURING CLASS, unless specified otherwise.**

2 – **If you have a question, ask the instructor**, not your classmates. Of course you will have an opportunity to discuss things with your classmates in the classroom, and you may clarify things with each other. But if you have a significant question, you should probably ask the person who is going to give you the grade, not your classmate. The only stupid question is the one you don't ask – and it will probably show up on the test!

3 – **NO CHEATING!!!!!!!!!! There is not a strong enough English word to tell you how I feel about cheating.** It is far better to leave an answer blank or to tell me a joke or draw me a picture when you don't know the answer. This is even more important during this time of online learning. I do not want to have to have you record yourself taking exams, or to administer them live to monitor all of you. Please do not make me. Your honor is something that no one can take from you. Don't give it away.

Students will be expected to follow IVC's online netiquette policy:

- What is netiquette? Netiquette is internet manners, online etiquette, and digital etiquette all rolled into one word. Basically, netiquette is a set of rules for behaving properly online.
- Students are to comply with the following rules of netiquette: (1) identify yourself, (2) include a subject line, (3) avoid sarcasm, (4) respect others' opinions and privacy, (5) acknowledge and return messages promptly, (6) copy with caution, (7) do not spam or junk mail, (8) be concise, (9) use appropriate language, (10) use appropriate emoticons (emotional icons) to help convey meaning, and (11) use appropriate intensifiers to help convey meaning [do not use ALL CAPS or multiple exclamation marks (!!!!!)].

Other Course Information

Your instructor believes that we can still create a learning community – and a signing community – in class. We will be interacting, and you will get to know your classmates and possibly make some new friends. ASL belongs to the Deaf community, and the Deaf community is a friendly group of people, who enjoy interacting.

You don't have to be a "people person" to take ASL. You do have to be willing to communicate with your classmates. There will be times that your grade will depend on your classmates and your interaction with them. Make sure that you are polite and supportive: EVERYONE is learning, and ANYONE can be having a bad day, and may not be signing as well as they can.



IVC Student Resources

IVC wants you to be successful in all aspects of your education. For help, resources, services, and an explanation of policies, visit <http://www.imperial.edu/studentresources> or click the heart icon in Canvas.

Anticipated Class Schedule/Calendar

PH = Padden & Humphries (blue book)

DATE	IN CLASS	HOMEWORK
8/16 (T)	Syllabus, course expectations PH 11: Vocab PH 11: Depth Classifiers	Purchase text Read syllabus Review PH 11 vocab Practice numbers 1-100
8/18 (R)	PH 11: Signing money PH 11: Grocery shopping model PH 11: To not have, negative modals, contractions and compounds PH 10 vocab PH 10 grammar introduced Numbers 1-100 reviewed PH 12: Vocab PH 12: To not work Lab: Signing money, numbers, food	Make grocery list of 10 Practice shopping pattern Practice signing money Practice PH 11 & 10vocab Practice PH 10A – 11C
8/23 (T)	Grocery lists due (Quiz #1 – written only) PH 10: Grammar PH 12: Vocab PH 12: To not work	
8/25 (R)	Quiz #2 (PH 11) PH 12: Requests, refusing requests In class practice Basic glossing review	Gloss PH 12C – ASL correct Practice PH 12C Read PH 13
8/30 (T)	PH 12C due PH 13: Vocabulary NMM review PH 13 grammar: Conditional sentences, satisfaction Lab: PH 11, 12, 13	Practice PH 13A – 13C Gloss & practice PH 13B Pick partner for Pres #1 Practice 5 sentence types Read PH 15 6 NMM index cards
9/1 (R)	Quiz #3 (PH 12, grocery shopping) PH 13B due PH 15 vocabulary PH 15 grammar: more refusals	Practice PH 15A – 15C Review NMMs, PH 13 Practice PH 15 vocab



9/6 (T)	Quiz #3 (PH 12, requests & refusals in ASL) Cumulative review: PH 11, 12, 13, 15 Lab #3: PH 11, 12, 13, 15	Review PH 11, 12, 13, 15 Review for exam
9/8 (R)	Quiz #3 (PH 12, requests & refusals in ASL) Study guide for Exam #1 Review for Exam #1 Additional review as needed PH 14 vocab Signing time: clock time, number incorporation	Review PH 11-13, 15 Study for Exam #1 Practice for Exam #1
9/13 (T)	Quiz #4 (PH 13, NMMs) Interactive Section Finals (rotations) Practice Exam #1 PH 14 grammar Exam #1 prep	Read PH 14 Practice PH 14A – 14C Practice for Exam #1 Study for Exam #1
9/15 (R)	PH 14 review PH 14 grammar: Skills continuum, conjunctions EXAM #1 (PH 11, 12, 13, 15; NMMs, basic ASL grammar, requests, refusing requests, grocery shopping, sentence types, conditionals)	Practice PH 14 vocab Review notes Read PH 16 Practice PH 14A – 14C Practice signing clock time
9/20 (T)	Lecture: Congress of Milan, oralism Classifier types Calendars in ASL PH 16 vocab PH 16 grammar: spatial location, signer's perspective Lab: PH 14 & 16	Prepare calendar Practice calendar Read PH 17
9/22 (R)	Quiz #5 (PH 14) Calendar due PH 17 vocab Events and calendars in ASL Review: Congress of Milan, oralism	Practice PH 16A – 16C Prepare calendar Practice calendar Read PH 17
9/27 (T)	Quiz #6 (Congress of Milan) PH 17 grammar: suggestions and advice in ASL Use of BORED in ASL Prepare calendar Practice calendar Read PH 17	Practice PH 14, 16, 17 Practice events and calendar Read PH 18
9/29 (R)	Quiz #7 (PH 16 & 17) PH 18 vocab Presentation #1 specifics	Practice PH 14A – 17C Review PH 1 - 17



	Model calendar quiz	Practice signing events and calendar Script for Presentation #1
10/4 (T)	PH 18 grammar: attitudes and opinions in ASL, quantifiers Script for Presentation #1 due Study guide for Exam #2	Practice PH 18 vocab PH 18A – 18C Finish script for Presentation #1 Begin review Exam #2 Review PH 14 – 18
10/6 (R)	Quiz #8 (Calendar) Review Script for Presentation #1 due Study guide for Exam #2 Gloss coordination for Presentation #2	Review PH 14, 16, 17, 18 Finish script Study for Exam #2 Begin review PH 1 - 18
10/11 (T)	Interactive section finals #2 (rotations) Practice Exam #2 Vocab for Presentation #1	Study for Exam #2 Practice for Exam #2
10/13 (R)	PH 19: vocab PH 19 grammar: facial adverbs Presentation #1 practice EXAM #2 (PH 14 -18; suggestions and advice, opinions and attitudes, quantifiers, time signs, conjunctions, calendar and events, Congress of Milan)	Read PH 19 Practice Presentation #1 Take Exam #2
10/18 (T)	Presentation #1 vocab PH 19: Temporal inflection Lab: facial adverbs, temporal inflection, Presentation #1	Practice Presentation #1 Practice PH 19A – 19C Read PH 20
10/20 (R)	Presentation #1 PH 20: Temporal inflection, intensity inflection PH 20: Vocabulary Lab: facial adverbs, temporal inflection, intensity inflection, PH 19 & 20	Review PH 19 vocab Practice facial adverbs, temporal inflection
10/25 (T)	Quiz #9 (PH 19 & 20, facial adverbs, temporal inflection) PH 21: Vocabulary PH 21: Rhetorical questions Presentation #2 Specifications	Practice PH 20A – 20C Practice PH 20 vocab Read PH 21 Practice PH 21 vocab
10/27 (R)	One on one with Liisa (PH 19-20) BIG Lab Presentation #2 source due	Gloss and practice 10 rhetorical sentences Read PH 22 Pic Presentation #2 topic Practice PH 19A – 20C Presentation #2 source
11/1 (T)	PH 22 vocab	Outline Presentation #2



	PH 22: Symptoms, denials, ICLs	Vocab for Presentation #2
11/3 (R)	TBA Presentation #2 outline due Presentation #2 vocab	Practice PH 22 vocab Study for Quiz #10 Read PH 23
11/8 (T)	Quiz #10 (PH 21 & 22) Presentation #3 outline due PH 23: Vocabulary PH 23: Clauses as topics, use of WORSE	Review PH 1-22 Practice PH 23 Presentation #3 structure id Review PH 19-22 Read PH 24
11/10 (R)	PH 22 & 23 wrap up Presentation #2 vocabulary	
11/15 (T)	Quiz #11 (PH 21 & 22) Presentation #2 practice PH 24: Vocabulary PH 24 grammar Lab: PH 19-23, Presentation #2	Practice Presentation #3 Review PH 1-24 Practice PH 24 Review for Exam #3 Conversational review
11/17 (R)	Quiz #12 (PH 23) Study guide for Exam #3 Lab: PH 1 – 24 Presentation #2 vocab Practice Presentation #2	Review for Exam #3 Practice PH 19A – 24C Practice Presentation #2 Conversational review Study for Exam #3 Review PH 1-24
11/22, 11/24	NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Break	
11/29 (T)	Interactive Section Finals #3 (rotations) EXAM #3 (PH 19 – 24, 6 sentence types, glossing, facial adverbs, temporal inflection, intensity inflection, etc.)	Practice Presentation #2 Review PH 1 -24 Breathe easier Type up remaining deaf event reports
12/1 (R)	Final Deaf Event Reports due Presentation #2 practice Peer feedback Lab #11: Cumulative PH 1 - 24 Guidelines for finals, review for finals	
12/6, 12/8	FINALS: Interactive conversations with instructor, by appointment only	

Subject to change without prior notice