

## NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** American Sign Language IV

**Course #:** ASL 202

**Course Description:**

Building on ASL III, students learn the structure of ASL using classifiers and directional signs, with an emphasis on processing and use of space in discourse and storytelling. Students also learn the application of the time line in ASL and the grammar used to convey sequence of events and tense markers. Students are able to understand the difference between present, past and future events in a range of signed material that includes familiar language in less familiar contexts. Students also develop expressive and receptive skills in storytelling and dialogue and processing that is required for higher level thinking in the field of interpreting and working with the Deaf. .

**Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:** ASL\* 201 with a grade of “C” or above.

**Goals:** The goals of the course are to improve students’

- 1) Ability to recognize and demonstrate vernacular grammatical structures in ASL.
- 2) Receptive and expressive skills using correct grammar and sign choices.
- 3) Knowledge and use of number incorporation and applying the time line.
- 4) Understanding and expanding use of classifier skills.
- 5) Skills incorporating non manual markers and body shifts.

**Outcomes:** At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- 1) Express themselves with ASL Grammar and format
- 2) Produce appropriate signs using the correct parameters as taught in ASL I-III
- 3) Correctly use classifiers in ASL structure
- 4) Apply correct facial expression and NMM
- 5) Utilize correct body shifts and Role shifting techniques in spatial set up
- 6) Learn how to incorporate body language into signs to express a meaningful concept in ASL

### **College Policies**

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program and/or the College. Please refer to your “Student Handbook” under “Policy on Student Rights,” the Section entitled “Student Discipline,” or the College catalog for additional information.

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):** The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is [cwoodcock@nwcc.edu](mailto:cwoodcock@nwcc.edu).

**School Cancellations:** If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College’s

website at [www.nwcc.edu](http://www.nwcc.edu). Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

**Use of Electronic Devices:** Some course content as presented in Blackboard Learn is not fully supported on mobile devices at this time. While mobile devices provide convenient access to check in and read information about your courses, they should not be used to perform work such as taking tests, quizzes, completing assignments, or submitting substantive discussion posts.

**Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team:** NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff.

Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim's needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, Ph.D.	860-738-6315	Green Woods Hall Room 207
Susan Berg	860-738-6342	Green Woods Hall Room 223
Kathleen Chapman	860-738-6344	Green Woods Hall Room 110
Michael Emanuel	860-738-6389	Founders Hall Annex Room 308
Seth Kershner	860-738-6481	Library
Jane O'Grady	860-738-6393	Founders Hall Annex Room 212
Robin Orloski	860-738-6416	Business Office Room 201
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio	860-738-6319	Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		Student Representative
Jacob Wujcik		Student Representative

At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.