# NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## COURSE SYLLABUS

**<u>Course Title:</u>** Interpreting with Specialized Populations **Course #:** INT\* 230

**<u>Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:</u>** Prerequisite – INT\* 212 Simultaneous Interpreting

### Course Description: 3 credits.

This course is designed to identify and develop the specific skills and knowledge necessary to interpret with special populations such as persons who are deaf-blind, aural-oral, or who have minimal language skills/competencies.

#### Goals:

- 1. To develop an understanding of the unique characteristics of certain sub culture groups within the "deaf/hard of hearing" majority.
- 2. To explore conditions of deaf blindness and the affects on interpreting.
- 3. To provide basic support service provider (ssp) training.
- 4. To analyze the aural/oral method of communication and transliterating and its history.
- 5. To develop techniques for facilitating communication with individuals who have minimal language competency.

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

- Identify the visual, auditory, and/or tactile communication modalities used by persons who are deaf-blind;
- Demonstrate the various methods of interpreting and intervention with persons who are deaf-blind.
- Provide appropriate sighted guide techniques;
- Detail the history of oral transliterating;
- Modify aural/oral transliterating situations to optimize comprehensibility;
- To rephrase homophones and low-visibility words;
- Identify and utilize techniques to voice-over for an oral deaf or hard of hearing person;
- State strategies for conveying meaning to consumers with minimal language competency;
- Explain the process and participate in team interpreting with a Certified Deaf Interpreter;

#### **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 <u>cwoodcock@nwcc.edu</u>.

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 <u>www.nwcc.edu</u>. 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 traumainformed 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 Annex Room 308
Seth Kershner	860-738-6481	Library
Robin Orlomoski	860-738-6416	Business Office Room 201
Jane O'Grady	860-738-6393	Founders Hall Annex Room 212
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio 860-738-6319		Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		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.