Course Title:   Beginning Sign Language

Course Description:
This course provides a comprehensive introduction to all facets of deaf culture including the finger-spelling alphabet, 700 manual signs, deaf culture/disability awareness, and practice games and activities.

Course Prerequisite(s):  N/A

Course Objectives:
1.  Learn basic conversation and vocabulary
2.  Demonstrate an expressive and receptive sign base in numbers
3.  Demonstrate expressive finger-spelling with correct posture, placement, and rhythm
4.  Comprehension of 2-3 letter finger-spelled words
5.  Understanding of the basic grammar of ASL

Textbook(s):  ABC’s in American Sign Language, Humphries.

Lesson Plan – by week or session
Session 1:  Introductions
   Student Data Forms
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   Introduce colors and numbers
Session 2:  Emphasis on natural gestures and facial expression.
   Lesson 1
   Personal pronouns.
Session 3:  Activities to reinforce vocabulary and numbers.
Session 4:  Lesson 2
   Possessives
Session 5:  Fingerspelling.
   Reading fingerspelling,
   First and last letters.
Session 6:  Lesson 3
   Descriptive adjectives - classifiers.
Session 7:  Numbers as used in counting, age, and plural forms.
   Family and animal signs.
Session 8:  Lesson 4
   Negatives.
   Questions forms
   Homework "Show and Tell".....bring pictures of your family and animals.
Session 9:  Family and Animal signs.
   Show and Tell.
   Using subject as topic.
Session 10: Lesson 5
Timeline
Using "Finish"
Make ten sentences using "Finish"
Topic: Deaf Culture.
Session 11: Videos "Laurent Clerc" and "Deaf Community"
Session 12: Lesson 6: Object + Subject + Verb.
Directional/non-directional verbs.
Directional verbs with classifiers.
Student Evaluation of Instruction