CREDIT HOURS: 3.00

CONTACT HOURS: 45.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This introductory course is a continuation of the initial introductory American Sign Language course (ASL 101). Continuation and skill enhancement through instruction and practice is designed to create confidence in the language.

PREREQUISITES: NONE

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:
Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:
1. Have a prescribed understanding of the basic American Sign Language principles
2. Acquire further knowledge of the Deaf Community
3. Demonstrate basic expressive and receptive communication skills using ASL.
4. Demonstrate competency in bypassing vocabulary and strict grammar rules of language and aiming directly at other very important components of effective communication to include:
   - 1) Cohesion- the sequencing of relevant pieces of communication so that they hang together and make sense,
   - 2) Monologic discourse- the rules of building sequences to a point of climax and resolution in narratives,
   - 3) Dialogic discourse- the rules of turn taking and interrupting in dialogic discourse, 4) stylistics- the confidence, character and personality expressed while communicating.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:
Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:
90%-100% = A
80%-89.9% = B
70%-79.9% = C
60%-69.9% = D
<60% = E