

## NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** American Sign Language I

**Course #:** ASL\* 101

**Course Description:**

3 credits

A first course of study of the American Sign Language, the language used by the Deaf Community in the United States. This course covers the fundamentals of the basic structure of ASL grammar, vocabulary, fingerspelling/numbers, visual-gestural communication, and information related to Deaf Culture.

**Pre-requisite/Co-requisite:** Co-requisite: DSC\* 101 – Visual/Gestural Communication

**Goals:**

1. Students will be able to expand their conversational range from talking about themselves to talking about other people and activities.
2. Give directions and make requests.
3. Develop polite conversational strategies to handle interruptions.

**Outcomes:** The student will be able to use the following language functions and conversational behaviors appropriately in American Sign Language:

1. Make appropriate introductions culturally.
2. Get another person's attention.
3. Appropriately negotiate the environment of signed conversations.

**College Policies**

**Plagiarism:** Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanction. 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 Roseann Dennerlein, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6307 (V/TTY) and her email is [rdennerlein@nwcc.commnet.edu](mailto:rdennerlein@nwcc.commnet.edu).

**School Cancellations:** If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio stations. 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.