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On Campus Meeting Dates: (all Mondays)
8/21, 8/28, 9/11, 9/25, 10/9, 10/23, 11/6, 11/20, and 12/4

On Campus Meeting Location/Time: MENH-343 (Valencia Campus) 4:00 – 6:20 PM


WELCOME
Welcome to SIGN 110: American Deaf Culture! This is a hybrid course meaning the course is conducted both online through CANVAS as well as on-site meetings once a week. In order to access course information, it is crucial that you become familiar and having working knowledge of CANVAS since this is where you will find and complete assignments as well as take quizzes and exams throughout the semester. Please note: Knowledge of American Sign Language is not a requirement or prerequisite for this course!

Course Description:
Studies various aspects of American Deaf Culture, including the description of deafness, Deaf people, the Deaf community as defined by audiology and/or cultural means, services and organizations for and by Deaf people, and culture as reflected in the arts and language of Deaf people. Field assignments required.
Attendance and Course Participation:

- **On Campus:** your attendance at on-campus meetings is crucial and mandatory for this course. These meetings will consist of in-depth discussion related to course material as well as guest presenters who will provide you with personal insights to the culture. Failure to attend and participate in these meetings will significantly impact your grade.

- **On-line Participation:** Student participation in our virtual classroom is critical to your success. While there will be indepth discussions during our on-campus meetings, there will be several discussions that occur on-line as well as quizzes, exams, reflection journals and discussion posts.

Technology Requirements:

You must have regular access to the internet, a good web browser (Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox work well), and a word-processing program such as Microsoft Word. Completing and submitting assignments through your phone will not work.

**CANVAS:** (https://cv.canyons.edu)

Learning Management System Information (LMS): This course utilizes an LMS called Canvas to complete our course requirements including discussions, grades and other course activities. Please Log into Canvas by visiting http://cv.canyons.edu on the first scheduled date of our course. Login information and helpful guides are provided on the website.

If you already have an account in Canvas, use your regular login information. **If you do not have an account,** one has been created for you. Your login information is:

- **Username:** (use your my.canyons user name)
- **Password:** student (you will change this once you log in)

The course syllabus will be posted on Canvas and will contain specific information about grading and projects. Please read through it thoroughly on the first day of the semester.

**Note:** *Because this is a summer course where the semester is taught in half the time a regular semester is taught, it is crucial that you begin the assignments that are posted on line before our first class meeting on June 14th.*

I look forward to meeting you on our first on-site meeting date: **Monday, August 21 at 4:00 p.m. in MENH-343.**

If you have any general questions prior to that date, feel free to email me at: Patricia.Ivankovic@canyons.edu.

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