

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College  
Course Content Summary**

**Course Prefix and Number:** ASL 210

**Credits:** 3

**Course Title:** ASL Storytelling

**Course Description:** Focuses on the elements of storytelling in American Sign Language and the techniques that deaf individuals utilize to pass on the histories and traditions of the deaf community. Emphasizes comprehension and production of short stories in American Sign Language with emphasis on sign production clarity and conceptual accuracy. Prerequisite: ASL 295 – Topics in ASL: American Sign Language IV or program head placement. Lecture 3 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose:** To expand the ability to produce extended narratives in ASL

**Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

**Prerequisite:** ASL 295 – Topics in ASL: American Sign Language IV or program head placement

**Course Objectives:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- a. Create and perform ASL narrative of at least seven (7) minutes in length;
- b. Describe the correlation between discourse markers and changes in topic or subject; and
- c. Describe the correlation between subconscious eye blink and constituent structures of ASL discourse/narration.

**Major Topics to Be Included:**

- a. Storytelling
- b. Linguistic aspects of ASL focusing on discourse
- c. ASL literary forms focusing on storytelling

**Effective Date of Course Content Summary:** March 3, 2015