

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

Course Prefix and Number: ASL 261

Credits: 3

Course Title: American Sign Language V

Course Description: Develops advanced American Sign Language comprehension and production skills. Emphasizes advanced linguistic aspects of ASL. Presents ASL literary forms. Encourages contact with the deaf community. Part I of II. Prerequisite: ASL 295 – Topics in ASL: American Sign Language IV or program head placement. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: To expand and spiral in complexity existing fluency in ASL by providing more depth in areas typically encountered by American adults

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. Explain in ASL various aspects of budgeting, including saving money, paying bills, and providing for retirement;
- b. Convey in ASL the process by which one makes major decisions, including choosing a career, purchasing a home, and starting a family;
- c. Discuss in ASL the details of a particular health condition (i.e., diabetes, COPD, etc.); and
- d. Identify and describe the linguistic elements involved with extended discourse in ASL.

Major Topics to Be Included:

- a. Talking about money
- b. Making major decisions
- c. Discussion health conditions
- d. LINGUISTIC aspects of ASL focusing on discourse

Effective Date of Course Content Summary: March 3, 2015