SPECIAL NOTE:
This brief syllabus is not intended to be a legal contract. A full syllabus will be distributed to students at the first class session.

TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS USED IN THE COURSE (if any):

Please check with the LCC bookstore http://www.labette.edu/bookstore for the required texts for this class.

COURSE NUMBER: PARA 131

COURSE TITLE: BEGINNING SIGN LANGUAGE

SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 3

DEPARTMENT: Paraprofessional and Developmental Disabilities

DIVISION: Workforce Education/Community Service

PREREQUISITES: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
This course is intended to provide individual as well as group learning, discussion, practice and utilization in signing conversations with hearing impaired individuals at a beginning level. Vocabulary introduced will be modeled and practiced in sentence form with each other and by the instructor. Learning the alphabet, numbers and then categories of vocabulary will be introduced weekly along with extra vocabulary and semantic items selected from other sources other than the required text books.

COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES:
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Sign a complete conversation with a hearing impaired individual.
   - Sign a conversation with a hearing impaired individual.
   - Initiate a conversation with a hearing impaired individual.

2. Demonstrate knowledge in use of sign language.
   - Demonstrate performance/knowledge in expressive and receptive use of sign language and finger spelling.
   - Make himself/herself understood by a hearing impaired individual using sign language.