Module 4 Assignment: ASL 206L

- Review and memorize vocabulary in Units 1-24 of Learning <u>American Sign Language (LASL)</u> and Unit 14 of <u>Signing Naturally</u>, <u>Level 2</u>. Drill yourself on vocabulary until you can produce each sign or phrase in either book and recognition of each sign is automatic. Go over your class notes. If your teacher has taught you any new signs that are not in units 1-24 or if you are farther along in your class, take time to remember and practice all vocabulary before you go on. As a reminder, we are using lab time to review vocabulary and grammatical structures that you may have forgotten.
- 2. View the videotape and complete the workbook exercises in Unit 14 of <u>Signing Naturally, Level 2</u>. We skipped Unit 13, and we will also skip Unit 15 for now. If you have completed workbook exercises in Unit 14 of Level 2, you may begin working on Unit 16. Remember to read the workbook instructions carefully and record your answers on a separate piece of paper. Check your answers in the back of the book. If you give more than two incorrect answers in any given section, watch the videotape again to figure out why you got it wrong, then turn your paper over and do the exercise again.
- 3. Take good notes on the Culture/Language Notes in <u>SN</u> and keep the notes in your notebook to refer back to.
- 4. On September 11th, our nation suffered a great tragedy. Practice telling about what happened in ASL. Practice signing to someone about where you were and what you were doing when you heard the news. What was your first reaction? If you would prefer to sign about another historical event, you may do so. Be sure to use topic/comment structure in your stories. See pages <u>LASL</u> 307-309 for more tips.
- 5. You will need to bring in a blank videotape. Please bring in a new video that has not been used before as this equipment is heavily used and new videos will keep the equipment in good working condition. Videotape yourself signing about where you were and what you were doing when you heard about the terrorist attack. If you would prefer to sign about another historical event, you may do so. When you

record yourself signing, you will need to look directly into the camera so you will be able to see your face clearly on the videotape. Be sure to use appropriate non-manual signals.

- 6. Watch the video of yourself signing. Are your signs and your fingerspelling clear? Do you raise your eyebrows for the topic part of a topic/comment structured sentence? Write a short paragraph describing what about your signing as reflected in this example needs improvement. Write another paragraph describing what you see as your strengths. Email your analysis to me at mbsmith@palomar.edu by Saturday.
- 7. If you have completed these assignments and still have time, watch a videotape of your choice. Write down the name and producer of the video. What did you think about the video you chose? In what ways was it most helpful? What about the video was least helpful? Include the assessment of the video you watched along with your response to number six and email it to me at mbsmith@palomar.edu.