

# ASL Etymology: Parts III and IV



**Presented by Buck Rogers  
Saturday, April 2, 2022  
11:00am-4:00pm EST via Zoom**

**Registration: \$50  
0.4 PS RID/BEI CEUs  
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## ABOUT THE PRESENTER

Buck Rogers, BA, MA, ASL Instructor/trainer, CDI, first-generation Spanish-American family, with 45+ doctoral hours in languages, and linguistics in; French, Spanish, and ASL from Gallaudet University, GMU, and UMD. Internship at Parisian Deaf institute, 240 hours training at Académie de la Langue des Signes Française, 80 hours with El Grito Spanish Deaf theater. Instructor of French/LSF and Spanish/LSE to undergraduate and graduate students, and faculty at Gallaudet University, 1994-2006. In addition to teaching, my experience includes three decades of working with foreign Deaf in the US, and abroad, mostly in Latin America, as well as two decades of teaching workshops at local, regional, national, and international conferences.



## OBJECTIVES

- The participants will be able to identify root signs found in ASL, LSF (French sign), LSE (Spanish sign), and others within the same sign linguistic family.
- The participants will learn about parts of history, sign evolution, and patterns signs have to each other.
- The participants will come to understand, be able to identify, and interpret many ASL sign variants and colloquialisms.

## POLICIES

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- This workshop is based in the Eastern Time Zone.
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## ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

This workshop will take participants on an adventure through etymologies of American Sign Language. Like Chinese characters are taught along with stories for each set of strokes as images, the same could be done for ASL. Signs and their meanings also have their unique history. To really begin to understand the richness of ASL we must journey back to its Motherland of France and further into history behind the days of Laurent Clerc.

During this event, participants will learn the origins of many everyday ASL expressions and colloquialisms that have crossovers in French, Spanish and kin sign languages. As practitioners we present arbitrary rules of ASL as we use them and seem to know them but do we really KNOW them? In parts III & IV, we will explore various signs categorized in KNOW vs KNOW-THAT, WORTHLESS vs WITHOUT, Faces of Time, Lines of Life, and several more. Then we can properly profess sign and interpret in English with the correct equivalencies. Come find out in a guided journey through investigations on important roots in ASL!

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## DETAILS

- **Workshop approved for 0.4 PS CEUs.**
- **This workshop does not have a pre-requisite.**
- Registration fee is \$50 regardless of membership or certification.
- This workshop will be presented in ASL.
- Target Audience: ASL/Deaf Studies Teachers, Certified and pre-certified Interpreters, CDIs and the Deaf Community.
- IRID is an Approved RID CMP Sponsor for continuing education activities. This Professional Studies program is offered for 0.4 CEUs at the Little/No Content Knowledge Level.

**Part III: 11:00am-1:00pm**

**Lunch: 1:00pm-2:00pm**

**Part IV: 2:00pm-4:00pm**

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