

# **Application for Speaker Honorarium from the Cañada College Academic Senate**

***Applicant: Sarah Harmon, Spanish and Linguistics***

## **Name of Guest Lecturer**

Ms. Leiana Payawal, Teacher of American Sign Languages at Sacred Heart Schools in Atherton, California.

## **Date and Venue**

The guest lecture will be done via Zoom on Thursday, 17 November 2022, 5:30-6:30pm. It will be recorded and can be populated into Panopto.

## **Value of Guest Lecture**

The students of ENGL/LING 200, Introduction to Linguistics, have asked a number of questions about American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Culture as it pertains to linguistics. Given that Cañada College does not offer courses in ASL, and given that my background does not include ASL nor Deaf Culture, I feel like it would be necessary to bring in someone who can address those questions.

Ms. Payawal has been a long-time ASL educator. She has taught at various high schools throughout the Bay Area and has lectured on ASL and Deaf Culture in other arenas. She is committed to bridging the gaps between hearing communities and deaf communities; I see this as an opportunity to do this.

## **Expected Audience**

The format of the guest lecture is as an 'Ask Me Anything' (AMA) session. Students and members of the public are asked to submit their questions in a [Google Doc](#) ahead of schedule; alternatively, folks can submit their questions to me via email. The deadline for questions will be 11 November 2022, to give Ms. Payawal time to think about her answers and responses. We'll have additional time for live questions and answers (Q&A) in the session.

The primary audience is those who are enrolled in ENGL/LING 200 for the Fall semester, but it is open to all students and members of the public who are interested in learning about ASL and Deaf Culture. While students of ENGL/LING 200 may bring questions that are more focused on the linguistic properties of ASL, we encourage everyone to bring whatever questions they may have. We're also encouraging instructors from across the campus community to share this information with their students, and perhaps give extra credit for attending the session and/or submitting a question.

I will work with the Marketing team to publicize the event, and with ITS to set up the Zoom link properly. It will be recorded and kept in Panopto; the recording can be hosted on a number of sites, if needed.

## **Requested Amount of Honorarium**

\$100