Explore the most common definitions of culture; the difference between culture and community language acquisition; and the relationship between language and culture. Learn basic cultural concepts, including language, identity, values, norms, rules of social interaction and traditions, within various Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing communities and discuss their effect on the individual. You will also examine current linguistic, political, social, philosophical, and future directions within Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing communities. Importance of native language acquisition as a foundation for proficiency in a second language and apply this to the role of an interpreter as a language model in the classroom. You will also discuss whether Deaf children can acquire a native language in a hearing classroom and how they interact with that environment.

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