Ratchasuda College
Mahidol University
The Current Situation of Sign Language Interpreter at Ratchasuda College, Mahidol University, Thailand
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1. Training in fundamental Sign Language Interpreter.
2. Certificate program in Sign Language Interpreter

2.1 Academic year 2000

2.2 Academic year 2002

2.3 Academic year 2004
3. **Four-year Bachelor degree program in Deaf Studies majoring in Sign Language Interpreter**
4. One – year Graduates Diploma in interpreting program in Thai Sign Language. The program started in 2004 (June 2004 – May 2005) with 31 students at present.
5. Services on sign language interpreter are offered in activities

Meeting between students and advisors
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6. Numbers of sign language interpreters at present

Five females

Two males
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7. Average working hours for a sign language interpreter

24 hours per week
8. Clients
9. Research

9.1 Current Situation on Thai Sign Language Interpreter in Bangkok City and around Bangkok

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9. Research

9.2 A Pilot Project on the Possibility of the Network of Sign Language Interpreter Service through Access Technology BY Research team of Ratchasuda College
10. Strategies for improving quality of life of people with disabilities submit to Thai government
Future Plan

1. Establishment of Sign Language Council

2. Extension of Certificate program in Sign Language Interpreter to 3 years

3. Putting sign language interpreter as one position in the list of governmental organization

4. Produce at least 50 professional sign language interpreters and at least 100 sign language interpreters in community within 5 years period
Future Plan

5. Using educational technology in training of sign language interpreter

6. Using information and communication technology in services of sign language interpreter within the year 2005

7. Developing at least 10 professional sign language interpreter to be trainers for sign language interpreter within 5 years period
Future Plan

8. Establishing the network of sign language interpreter within and outside Thailand from 2003 onwards.

9. Conducting research on sign language interpreter, sign language and Deaf Studies.

10. Provide training in sign language to people who are interested in at least 500 persons within 5 years period.
Thank you very much