Crossing Cultures: A Sociological Perspective on Deaf and Hearing Intercultural Relationships

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Introduction

• This presentation is about the cultural differences between Deaf and hearing people; how these differences arise; how these differences can cause conflict; and what effects they have.

• Dai will present about Bourdieusian theory, and how it can be used to understand the cultural differences. Nicola will present about intercultural interaction.
Bourdieu

• Bourdieu was a French sociologist. His work was mainly about class, but covered education, the media, economics and sport as well.

• We can adapt his theories to look at other elements of society as well.
Bourdieu’s thinking tools

- Habitus
- Field
- Capital
  - Economic capital
  - Social capital
  - Cultural capital
    - Linguistic capital
Differences between Deaf and hearing

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DBSLU & HBSLU interaction
Cultural Competency Continuum

Negative

Positive

Cultural Proficiency

Cultural Competence

Cultural Pre-Competence

Cultural Blindness

Cultural Incapacity

Cultural Destructive

Cross, 2008
Issues in intercultural interaction

Audism

Isolation

Tokenism

Attitude

Allies

Congruence
Bridging the Cultural Gap

Back to Bourdieu – inequality

Accepting Cultures
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