

# CISOC Cultural Interpretation Services for Our Communities

# Community Interpretation Intensive Training Course

#### ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

#### **Course Duration**

8 days 9:00am - 4:30pm Total hours: 60 hours

#### Location

44 Eccles Street Suite 100 Ottawa, Ontario

## **Course Prerequisite**

CILISAT certified language/s

#### **Course Cost**

\$520.00 (plus HST)
Course fees include 60 hours of trainer-led instruction and all handouts and course materials and exam fees

#### **Application Requirements**

Completed application form

# For more information, please contact:

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#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

This 60-hour training program is designed to reflect the nature of interpreting situations encountered by interpreter as they relate to community services settings.

The course is ideal for anyone who has mastery of two or more languages as well as solid cultural understanding of both, Canadian and their own homeland culture, and the ability to adapt to various situations as encountered by community Interpreters.

On successful completion of the course, participants will be given a certificate.

By the end of the course, clients will:

- Understand how culture, values, norms influence communication
- Understand and express their role and responsibilities specifically as they relate to consecutive interpreting, both to service providers and non-English speakers
- Know how to intervene effectively for the purposes of clarification and cultural bridging
- Ensure interpreting process is not biased in favour or one party
- Understand CISOC's Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice



# **Community Interpretation - Course Content**

#### **Module One**

**Definition of Cultural Interpreter** 

**Common Interpreting Situations** 

Interpreter's Skills, knowledge, personal qualities

What skills does the Ideal CISOC

Interpreter have?

CISOC's Interpreter Exit Competency Checklist

Who is the Ideal Interpreter?

What is important to the Client/User?

What is important to the Service Purchaser?

What skills does the Ideal Interpreter have?

Difference Between Interpreter and Translator

Glossary of Professional Terms

**Definition of INTERPRETER** 

**Definition of TRANSLATOR** 

Principal Role of the Interpreter

4 Main Barriers to Communication in Interpretations

Conduit, Clarifier and Cultural Broker Roles

Interpreter's Responsibilities

The Interpreter as a Conduit

The interpreter as a Clarifier

Degrees of Involvement of Interpreters

When to offer Cultural Interpretation

Maintaining Clear Role Boundaries

**Areas of Controversy** 

Differing Opinions about Interpreter's Role

#### **Module Two**

**Ethics definition** 

Code of Ethics Categories

CISOC's Code of Ethics and CI Responsibilities

Introduction to the Interpreters' Code of Ethics

Code of Ethics and Decision Making

Code of Ethics in Depth

Confidentiality

Respect and Dignity

Competence

**Transparency** 

*Impartiality* 

**Fidelity** 

Professionalism

Conflict of Interest

#### **Module Three**

Introduction to Standards of Practice

Standards of Practice

Accuracy

Confidentiality

*Impartiality* 

Respect

**Cultural Awareness** 

Role Boundaries

Professionalism

Professional Development

**Ethical Decisions Case Studies** 

When does the Interpretation End?

Debate on Code of Ethics

#### **Module Four**

**Definition of Culture** 

How to Bridge Value Conflicts

Limitations of the Community Interpreter

Value Statements

Value Differences

Value Classification System

Cultural Issues in Interpretation

The Culture Gap

**Identifying Potential Cultural Barriers** 

**Communication Styles Across Cultures** 

*Language and Context* 

Speech Patterns and their Effects on Interpreting

The Concept of Time

Turn Taking and the Use of Silence



# **Community Interpretation - Course Content**

#### **Module Five**

Elements that Influence Communication

Elements that can Interfere with an Interpretation

The Communication Process

**Two-Way Communication** 

**Filtering** 

Introduction to Effective Listening

Ways to Enhance Listening in Interpretations

Memory and Interpreting

STM (short term memory) Exercising

Improving Memory

Register and Tone

**Word Nuances** 

Lowering Register

#### **Module Six**

Adjusting to a Lower Register

*Interpreter's responsibility* 

Introduction to Summarizing

Understanding Summarizing and its

effects in communication

Introduction to Paraphrasing

Understanding Paraphrasing and its

effects in communication

Introduction to Note-Taking

Standard Note-Taking Symbols

*Note-Taking: Focus on Numbers* 

Note-Taking: Using Linkages

Note-Taking: Best Practices

Shadowing

Introduction to Sight Translation

**Guidelines for Sight Translations** 

Sight Translation Checklist

Sight Translation Practice

#### **Module Seven**

Discourse Analysis

Most Common Problems in Interpretation

Other Common Problems in Interpretation

**Speaking Tips** 

Steps to Take when the Speaker Doesn't Pause

Introduction to Managing an Interpretation

Main Points in Interpretation Management

Positioning Oneself in the Interpretation

Positioning in Medical Interpretations

Introducing Self and Role

Scenarios for Role Play

**Case Studies** 

#### **Module Eight**

Interrupting

How to Interrupt

Guidelines for Managing an Interruption

*Interrupting exercises* 

The Emotional Side of Interpreting

Emotionally Difficult Interpreting Sessions

*Interpreting obscenities* 

The Five Constituent Tasks of Interpreting

The Seleskovitch-Lederer Model of Interpretation

Meanings, Not Words

Interpretation Practice

**Best Practices** 

Observer's Checklist

Interpreting Skills Self Assessment

Scenarios for Role Play

Case Studies



# **Community Interpretation Course - Class Schedule**

Time: 9:00am - 4:30pm	
Day	Date
Day 1	Monday, October 1st
Day 2	Tuesday, October 2nd
Day 3	Wednesday, October 3rd
Day 4	Thursday, October 4th
Day 5	Friday, October 5th
Day 6	Monday, October 8th
Day 7	Tuesday, October 9th
Day 8	Wednesday, October 10th

**First Class:** Monday, October 1st, 2012 **Last Class:** Wednesday, October 10th, 2012

Students of this course are invited to attend presentations by City of Ottawa and Residential Services free of charge.

# **Class Location**



## Thank you for considering our agency.

If you would like to know more about our courses, please visit our website **www.cisoc.net** or give us a call at 613-237-0502.

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