



Orientation Workshops

Orientation Workshops are conducted in English and are open to all foreign language and sign language interpreters. This is a highly focused workshop where you'll spend two days (9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.) immersed in a basic orientation to courts and the justice environment. This includes an overview of the profession, discussion and role play concerning the Code of Professional Responsibility for Interpreters in the Judiciary, and practice exercises in the three modes of interpreting (simultaneous and consecutive interpreting, and sight translation). Emphasis is also given to educating interpreters about how to improve one's language proficiency, what techniques you can use to develop specific skills required for interpreting, and where you can go to receive professional skills training.

We've packed this workshop with tools you'll use for years to come. The format is highly interactive, which means you'll use your newfound skills, discuss shared challenges with your fellow peers, and take part in insightful exercises designed to help build your interpreting skills.

The orientation workshop is a prerequisite to taking the written examination and oral qualifications examination, as well as any skill building workshops.

Candidates must attend the full two-day session in order to fulfill the training requirement component of the qualification process. Effective March 18, 2004, reciprocity is NOT granted for orientation workshop attendance in another Consortium member state.