

CTRP - 1174 Realtime Writing Theory I, 4.00 Credits

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Practicum

Realtime Writing Theory I teaches students how to write the spoken word with punctuation by means of a conflict-free, realtime-ready shorthand theory and provide instantaneous translation. It includes the use of on-line computer-aided technology and teacher interaction; live practice dictation for speed and accuracy; read back and analysis of shorthand notes. NCRA requirements include the following: students are required to transcribe steno notes and speed takes under timed institutional supervision or if an internet student, sign a sworn verification form stating that the work was completed without the aid of anyone present and without cheating. Speed takes shall be monitored and timed in the same way. Students are required to transcribe at least once a week. All speed takes and tests shall be deleted immediately. Internet students must sign a sworn statement verifying the material has been deleted from their computers and no backup has been made. Students shall have access to the minimum grading criteria as set forth by the NCRA requirements.

CTRP - 2274 Realtime Writing Theory II, 4.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 1174 with C or better

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Practicum

This course is a continuation of basic realtime writing theory. The student will continue to learn to write, read, and transcribe the spoken word by means of a conflict-free, realtime-ready shorthand theory and provide instantaneous translation. Each class requires a minimum of three hours of practice time per day. The course is designed for both on campus and internet training. On campus students will meet at a designated time and place. Internet students can access the class at any time during the day, but are required to spend the same amount of time in class and out of class as an on campus student. All students are expected to spend a minimum of three hours a day on homework, which includes practicing accuracy and speed. Students are required to transcribe steno notes and speed takes under institutional supervision or, if an internet student, sign a sworn verification form stating that the work was completed without the aid of anyone present and without cheating. Speed takes shall be monitored and timed in the same way. Students are required to transcribe at least once a week. All speed takes and tests shall be deleted immediately. Internet students must sign a sworn statement verifying the material has been deleted from their computers and no backup has been made. Students shall have access to the minimum grading criteria as set forth by the NCRA. Successful completion of the course requires a grade of "C" or better. The course includes on-line computer-aided technology for realtime translation.

CTRP - 2603 Persnl Dictionary Prod & Maint, 3.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 1174 with C or better and CTRP 2274 with C or better

Level: Lower

This course will be an extension of the material learned in the Computer Aided Transcription course (CTRP 3373) and is a direct application of the realtime techniques learned in the Realtime Writing Theory I course (CTRP 1174). The topics to be covered will include personal dictionaries; update area; D-Defines, J-Defines, and E-Defines, job dictionaries; power defines; phonetic tables; how to insert, modify, and delete entries; filtering dictionary; printing dictionary, backing up and restoring dictionaries, and dictionary maintenance. Students will build and maintain their personal dictionary by adding new entries throughout the course.

CTRP - 3111 Transcript Production, 1.00 Credit

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 2274 with D or better

Level: Lower

Students will learn how to properly format and prepare judicial transcripts, including cover page, appearance page, examination and exhibit indexes, question-and-answer, colloquy, parentheticals, jurats, and certification pages, as well as how to prepare ASCII disks and mini-transcripts.

CTRP - 3163 Speedbldg I for Report & Capt, 3.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 2274 with C or better

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Practicum

The prerequisite for this course is the successful completion of the Realtime Writing Theory courses (CTRP 1174 and CTRP 2274) or approval of the instructor. The student will continue to learn to write, read, and transcribe the spoken word by means of a conflict-free, realtime-ready shorthand theory. The course is structured into 45 class periods. The typical structured classroom meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday throughout the semester and online in the summer. Each class requires a minimum of three hours of practice time per day. The course is designed for Internet training. The course suffices as a survey course to explore the two different modes of reporting; judicial reporting and broadcast reporting. Students must be able to transcribe 3 five minute dictations of unfamiliar material in the following areas: 80 wpm on literary material, 100 wpm on jury charge material, and 120 wpm on two-voice material. All speed takes must be transcribed with a minimum of 95 percent accuracy or higher. Testing material used for speed takes will be given at incremental speeds on unfamiliar material; the same material will not be used more than once every six months. Internet students must sign a sworn verification form stating that the work was completed without the aid of anyone present and without cheating. Speed takes shall be monitored and timed in the same way. Students are required to transcribe at least once a week. All speed takes and tests shall be deleted immediately. Students must sign a sworn statement verifying that the material has been deleted from their computers and no backup has been made. Students shall have access to the minimum grading criteria as set forth by the NCRA. Successful completion of the course requires a grade of C or better. The course includes online computer-aided technology for realtime translation.

CTRP - 3363 Tech for Reporting/Captioning, 3.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 2274 with C or better

Level: Lower

This course will complement the Computer Aided Transcription course (CTRP 3373) to the extent that information pertaining to the computers, hardware, software, maintenance, and upkeep will be enhanced. The material covered in this class for reporting students will relate to reporting technology, computer operating systems, realtime applications, realtime reporting in the captioning/CART environment, litigation support, videotaping, and information on related software packages used by judicial reporters. The material covered in this class for captioning students will relate to captioning technology, computer operating systems, on-line translations systems, administrative hearings, indexing and archiving steno notes, both paper and electronic, care and maintenance of computer hardware data input device, basic setup and maintenance of broadcast captioner's equipment, broadcast news production preparation, prescripting, psychology of on-air captioning, verbatim vs. word substitutes, finger spelling, history of captioning, and information relating to the deaf and hard-of-hearing community.

CTRP - 3373 Computer Aided Transcription, 3.00 Credits

Level: Lower

This course will teach the student how the computer works with the shorthand writing machine to produce an instantaneous transcript using realtime translation. The course includes computer concepts and terminology and basic file management, saving, editing, and printing. This course will take the student from the basics of a computer application software program to a more advanced level of understanding and appreciation. The goal of the CAT course is to integrate computer concepts and English punctuation rules to produce an accurate and saleable work product. Students will review basic punctuation rules and apply them to transcript production.

CTRP - 4264 Spd Bldg II for Reprtr & Captn, 4.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 3163 with C or better

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Practicum

This course is a continuation of Speed Building I for Reporters and Captioners. The student will continue to learn to write, read, and transcribe the spoken word by means of a conflict-free, realtime-ready shorthand theory. Reporting students must be able to transcribe five minutes of unfamiliar dictation with at least 95 percent accuracy in each of the areas listed: literary at 130 wpm, jury charge at 150 wpm, and two-voice at 170 wpm. Dictation includes two-voice and multi-voice testimony (including medical and technical material), literary, jury charge, and current events. Captioning students must be able to write five minutes of literary material at 130 wpm with 96 percent accuracy or higher. In addition, captioning students must write a 20 minute broadcast news program with an accuracy rate of 96 percent or better. Testing material used for speed takes will be given at incremental speeds on unfamiliar material; the same material will not be used more than once every six months. Students are required to transcribe steno notes and speed takes under institutional supervision or if Online students, sign a sworn verification form stating that the work was completed without the aid of anyone present and without cheating. Speed takes shall be monitored and timed in the same way. Students are required to transcribe at least once a week. All speed takes and tests shall be deleted immediately. Online students must sign a sworn statement verifying that the material has been deleted from their computers and no backup has been made. Students shall have access to the minimum grading criteria as set forth by the NCRA. Successful completion of the course requires a grade of "C" or better. This course includes on-line computer-aided technology for realtime translation.

CTRP - 4364 Spd Bldg III for Reprtr & Captn, 4.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 4264 with C or better

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Practicum

This course is a continuation of Speed Building II for Reporters and Captioners. Students will continue to learn to write, read, and transcribe the spoken word by means of a conflict-free, realtime-ready shorthand theory. In this course dictation includes two-voice and multi-voice testimony (including medical and technical material), literary, and jury charge. Captioning students must be able to write three 5-minute takes of literary material at 180 wpm with 96 percent accuracy or higher. In addition, captioning students must write a 30-minute broadcast news program with an accuracy of 96 percent or better. Students are required to perform a line-by-line edit/analysis of steno notes. Testing material used for speed takes will be given at incremental speeds on unfamiliar material; the same material will not be used more than once every six months. Students will be required to transcribe steno notes and speed takes under institutional supervision or if online students, sign a sworn verification form stating that the work was completed without the aid of anyone present and without cheating. Speed takes will be monitored and timed in the same way. Students are required to transcribe at least once a week. All speed takes and tests shall be deleted immediately. Online students must sign a sworn statement verifying that the material has been deleted from their computers and no backup has been made. Students shall have access to the minimum grading criteria as set forth by the NCRA. Successful completion of the course requires a grade of "C" or better. Students must be able to pass three 5-minute dictations with 95% accuracy in each of the following areas: Q & A at 225 wpm, jury charge at 200 wpm, and literary at 180 wpm. The course includes on-line computer-aided technology for realtime translation.

CTR - 4602 Int & Prac for Reporter & Capt, 2.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 4264 with C or better

Level: Lower

Applied Learning-Internship, Pass/Fail

Students will arrange for an off-campus experience with a qualified courtroom, freelance, or realtime reporter, or captioner within a geographical proximity of their hometown. Students should try to arrange for a variety of experiences over the internship. NCRA requirements: reporting students are required to pass a pre-internship test at 180 wpm in Q & A material, complete a minimum of 50 hours, 40 hours of which must be in-court; and complete a minimum of 40 pages of computer printed transcript. Captioning students are required to pass a pre-internship test at 160 wpm in literary material; complete a minimum of 40 hours, 25 hours of which must be actual writing time and 15 hours of research and dictionary preparation; and complete an unedited captioned translation of three 15 minute segments on varied topics. Students must submit a written narrative report summarizing the internship experience. Reporting students must produce 40 pages of transcript from various experiences during the internship, and submit a signed internship verification form. Captioning students must produce three 15 minute segments on varied topics of unedited captioned translation and submit a signed internship verification form.

CTR - 4634 Proc for Reporters & Captioner, 4.00 Credits

Prerequisite(s): CTRP 3163 with C or better

Level: Lower

This course is an introduction of court and realtime reporting procedures and practices for court reporting including: professional responsibilities of federal and state court systems; civil and criminal trials; logistics of reporting; reporting techniques; and transcript production. The course includes a description and discussion of the role of the captioner and CART provider. Included in this course will be a simulation of a deposition where the student will act in the role as the reporter and administer the oath, mark exhibits, and perform other responsibilities germane to transcript production. Students will be required to apply professional ethics to various situations and identify and use appropriate library and reference material used in transcript preparation including software and internet search engines. Students will also be required to simulate and transcribe the National Court Reporter's Association (NCRA) Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) test as well as the Certified Realtime Reporter (CRR) test.

CTR - 4900 Directed Study, 1.00 TO 6.00 Credits

Level: Lower

A student may contract for one to six credit hours of independent study through an arrangement with an instructor who agrees to direct such a study. The student will submit a plan acceptable to the instructor and to the department chairperson. The instructor and student will confer regularly regarding the process of the study.