

THE WRITTEN EXAM

The Written Exam must be passed before the Performance Test can be attempted. This exam is offered at

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A passing score of 80% on the Written Exam is valid for five (5) years pre-certification. If for any reason certification lapses, retaking the Written Exam will be required if the validation period has expired.

Preparation and Expectations

The Written Exam consists of 100 multiple-choice questions. You must receive a score of 80% or above to pass. If you do not receive 80% or higher on the Written Exam, you will be required to retake the exam before attempting the Performance Test.

The test will be given every Friday (and Friday and Saturday of testing week) beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 2:00 p.m.. You may arrive at any time between the start and end times. You are not limited on the amount of time to take the exam; however, all tests will be collected at the end of the testing period. Arrive early enough to give yourself time to complete the test. The testing time will not be extended regardless of your arrival time. The average testing time is 2.5 hours.

The Written Exam portion of certification testing will examine and evaluate your knowledge of the profession of interpreting and may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- 1) Culture (20%)
- 2) Ethics (40%)
- 3) Language (ASL and English) (10%)
- 4) History and Laws (10%)
- 5) Interpreting (20%)

You should be familiar with all of the following texts prior to taking the Written Exam:

***Reading Between the Signs:
Intercultural Communication for Sign Language Interpreters***

Anna Mindess
Intercultural Press, 1999

Sign Language Interpreting: Exploring Its Art and Science

David A. Stewart, Jerome Schein, and Brenda Cartwright.
Allyn & Bacon, 1998

So You Want to Be an Interpreter

Fourth Edition
Janice H. Humphrey and Bob J. Alcorn
H&H Publishers, 1995

Demand and Control Schema

Robyn Dean
(available in the UIP Lab, or electronically by request)

Encounters with Reality: 1001 Interpreter Scenarios

Brenda Cartwright

Journey into a Deaf World

Harlan Lane, Robert Hoffmeister, Ben Bahan

Mask of Benevolence: Disabling the Deaf Community

Harlan Lane

RID Code of Professional Conduct

(available at www.RID.org or <https://www.aslterpsutah.org/uip/policies.php?pid=6970132>)

RID Standard Practice Papers

<http://www.rid.org/interpreting/Standard%20Practice%20Papers/index.cfm>

***Utah State Board of Education Sign Language Interpreter Policy
and Procedures Manual***

This text can be obtained at the Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf, or online at
<https://www.aslterpsutah.org/uip/policies.php?pid=6970218>.