

## Level 1 Community Interpreting

The role of the Community Interpreter is becoming increasingly important, particularly in regions with many linguistic communities. The interpreter acts as a bridge between communities and enables people to access services and situations which would otherwise not be possible.

This qualification offers the opportunity for learners who are speakers of other languages to learn about the area of Community Interpreting. Learners may wish to study the subject as they have an interest in the topic or they may wish to use the qualification as a stepping stone to becoming a Community Interpreter.

The qualification offers the opportunity to learn about the language skills required when working in the community – giving an awareness of how language changes depending on the situation. There is also an opportunity to look at how Public and Voluntary Service sectors work and their interaction with the community. The role of the interpreter is also explored and discussed.

Start Date:	08 January 2025
Start Time:	09:30
Lessons:	10
Weeks:	10
Hours:	30.00

There may be times when the lessons will be held remotely, via live video calls, use of our Moodle area, private social media groups etc. By signing up to the course you are agreeing to this wide range of teaching and learning approaches;

### Venue

Rochester Adult Education Centre  
Rochester Community Hub  
Eastgate  
ME1 1EW

### What will I learn on this course?

The aims of the qualification are to enable learners:

- 1 To learn how to use language skills to the best advantage
- 2 To learn about the sectors where interpreters may be required to work
- 3 To learn about the role of the Community Interpreter

### Is this course suitable for me?

- There are no formal entry requirements for this course, but it is expected that all learners will have a good level of English and satisfactory language skills in another language
- Learners are fully supported to achieve their goals and we strive to be an inclusive provider
- Learners need to be aware that there will be some homework set and individual research to undertake as part of their personal development

### What could I go on to do after this course?

This is an introduction course and learners are positively encouraged to progress onto a higher level interpreting qualification such as Levels 2 and 3 Certificate in Community Interpreting course

If you wish to explore your learning, work or career options, you can speak to a fully trained careers advisor on 0800 100 900. <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk>

If you need further advice please telephone 01634 338400.

### Attendance Policy

In order to get the most out of your course you will need to attend as many sessions as possible. We recommend at least 90%. If you do have a holiday booked during term time please let the tutor know in advance so that we can help you catch up on missed sessions and ensure that you still achieve the course outcomes. If you are unavoidably ill or unable to attend please contact 01634 338400 so that we can let your tutor know, and so they can send you any work you may have missed.