

Program Information

The Anoka Technical College Broadcast Captioning/CART (Communications Access Realtime Translation) certificate is a 16-credit program. The program consists of a core of machine shorthand speedbuilding courses, Realtime/Captioning/CART technology courses and courses to help students become familiar with the Deaf community. Students use student versions of software used in industry for realtime translation and the actual equipment/software required to caption. The central objective of the Broadcast Captioning/CART program is to train students to write conflict-free machine shorthand on a computer-compatible stenotype machine, utilizing the industry standard computer-assisted realtime translation at 97 percent accuracy.

NOTE: This certificate is offered through the Judicial Reporting/Broadcast Captioning program.

Prerequisites

Students registering for this certificate need to have already completed the Judicial Reporting Associate in Applied Science (AAS) or be working in the reporting field and want to retrain to work in the Captioning/CART industries.

Accreditation/Certification

All curricula were created to meet or exceed National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) standards set by the Council on Approved Student Education (CASE). The Judicial Reporting/Broadcast Captioning/CART programs are approved by NCRA. Upon graduation, students will be ready to take the NCRA's Certified Broadcast Captioner (CBC) and/or Certified CART Provider (CCP) certification exams. Exams are offered twice per year in November and April.

Program Essentials

Laptop, steno machine, Eclipse student software or professional software. Please see instructor for specific requirements before purchasing any equipment. Also see Tuition and Fees for more information.

Graduation Requirements

Students must earn a grade of "B" or better in the Broadcast Captioning and CART Practicum and Realtime Principles and a grade of "C" or better in all other coursework in order to graduate. In addition, students shall pass three, five-minute timings with 97 percent real-time accuracy at 180 wpm literary (with 1.4 syllabic density). Students must successfully complete an internship with no less than 40 hours of verified actual writing time for captioning. Students must successfully complete an internship with no less than 40 hours of verified actual writing time for CART. From internships, students prepare a captioned translation of one hour and a CART translation of one hour.

Transfer Opportunities

To see how credits from this program may transfer into other Anoka Technical College programs or into a program at another college, visit:

- [Minnesota Transfer](http://www.mntransfer.org/students/plan/s_agreements.php?numResults=25&archive=false&from_inst=70&from_prog=&to_inst=&Search=Search): (www.mntransfer.org/students/plan/s_agreements.php?numResults=25&archive=false&from_inst=70&from_prog=&to_inst=&Search=Search)

- [Anoka Technical College transfer student](http://www.anokatech.edu/BecomeStudent/Transfers.aspx): (www.anokatech.edu/BecomeStudent/Transfers.aspx)

Industry Information

Completion of the Broadcast Captioning/CART certificate allows graduates to work in a variety of settings either as broadcast captioners or as CART providers.

Broadcast captioners use realtime machine shorthand skills to create the captioning you see on television. This captioning is created to allow access to television broadcasts for people who are deaf and hard of hearing. Broadcast captioners work doing on-air captioning of live programming.

CART is a service that can be requested by people who are hard of hearing as an alternative to having a sign language interpreter. It falls under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as one way of providing equal access to services. Graduates can find work as CART providers in legal, educational and various trade fields.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement

Wage information is available from the [Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development](http://mn.gov/deed/job-seekers/job-outlook/index.jsp) (http://mn.gov/deed/job-seekers/job-outlook/index.jsp).

Gainful Employment

Follow this link for [Gainful Employment Report](#).

Technical Education: 12 Credits

- ASL 1000 Deaf Studies/Culture* 3
 - JRBC 1400 Realtime Principles 2
 - JRBC 1405 Broadcast Captioning & CART Practicum 2
 - JRBC 2126 Broadcast Captioning & CART Procedures & Research 3
 - JRBC 2135 Broadcast Captioning & CART Internship 2
- *ASL1100 (American Sign Language I) may be substituted for Deaf Studies/Culture.

General Education/MnTC Requirements: 4 Credits

Four (4) elective general education credits of Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) are required. Student is required to take:

- General Education/MnTC 4

Also see: Judicial Reporting AAS degree and Scoping/Proofreading certificate

Start Dates

Fall Semester August
Spring Semester January

Faculty Contact

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For information on how to apply, to schedule a tour, or for service during summer hours, contact Enrollment Services at 763-576-7710 or EnrollmentServices@anokatech.edu

