



Judicial Reporting Program Description

Industry Description

Judicial Reporters can work in courtrooms as Official Reporters, creating accurate verbatim written records of all the proceedings. Official reporters are employed by the State. Deposition reporting (also known as freelance reporting) is a popular field because it is interesting and allows for flexible scheduling. Freelance reporters typically work on an independent contractor basis taking depositions at law offices.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement

Wage information is available from the Minnesota Department of Education and the [Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development](#).

Program Description

This program is a 70-credit, two-year program designed to get you out and working as soon as you can. The academics are designed to be completed in two years. The speed requirement may be completed in two years or may take additional time to complete. Coursework includes English, Legal and Medical Terminology, Business Law, Computer Technology, and Machine Shorthand Theory. Students learn a conflict-free realtime theory that enables them to write efficiently on a realtime system starting in the first semester. Students learn theory in their first year of classes, then work to increase their speed and accuracy until they can capture literary material at 180 wpm, Jury Charge material at 200 wpm, and Question and Answer material at 225 wpm.

All curricula were created to meet or exceed the [National Court Reporters Association's \(NCRA\)](#) standards set out by the Council on Approved Student Education (CASE). The program is approved by NCRA.

Summer sessions are mandatory for Judicial Reporting students.

Graduation Requirements

Students must earn a grade of "B" or better in all speedbuilding classes and a grade of "C" or better in all other coursework in order to graduate. In addition, students shall pass three 5-minute speed tests with 97% accuracy at the following speeds: 225 wpm testimony (two-voice), 200 wpm jury charge, and 180 wpm literary.

The student shall successfully complete an internship with no less than 40 hours of verified actual writing time.

Upon graduation, students will be ready to take the NCRA's Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) certification exam. The RPR exam is offered twice per year, in April and November.

Accuplacer Test Requirement

Anoka Technical College requires all students seeking certificates, diplomas or Associate of Applied Science degrees to meet the following requirement: New Student Assessment scores exempting students from taking Basic Math and Basic English, Reading Skills or Completion of Basic Math and/or Basic English, Reading Skills courses with a "C" grade or better.

Program Essentials

Estimated Costs

*Laptop, steno machine, Eclipse student software

*Please see instructor for specific requirements before purchasing any equipment.

[\(See Tuition and Fees for more information\)](#)

[\(Judicial Reporting Program Sequence\)](#)

Length of Program

AAS Degree 70 credits

Start Dates

Fall Semester August

Spring Semester January

Summer sessions are mandatory for Judicial Reporting students.

New theory classes start in the Fall and Spring semesters.

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For information on how to apply, or to schedule a campus tour please contact the Admissions Office at 763-576-4850 or e-mail info@anokatech.edu

Judicial Reporting Associate of Applied Science Degree

70 Credits

General Education: 17 Credits

Seventeen general education credits are required. One course must be ENGL 1105, Composition I, four credits. The balance of general education courses must be taken from three or more Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Areas. Refer to the ATC website for a list of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum and their goal areas: http://www.anokatech.edu/current_students/transfer/

NOTE: ENGL 1105, Composition I, may have a prerequisite depending on your Accuplacer assessment score.

Technical Education: **53 Credits**

JRBC 1000	Realtime Reporting Orientation	1
JRBC 1005	Realtime Reporting I*	4
JRBC 1030	Legal Terminology	2
COMP 1002	Computer Technologies for Communication	2
JRBC 1105	Realtime Reporting II	4
JRBC 1120	Realtime Reporting Technology	3
HLTH 1040	Medical Terminology	2
ADSC 1031	Business English	3
JRBC 1200	Realtime Reporting III**	4
JRBC 2020	Transcription & English	3
JRBC 2000	Realtime Reporting IV**	4
JRBC 2030	Judicial Reporting Procedures	3
ADSC 1006	Business Law	4
JRBC 2100	Realtime Reporting V**	4
ADSC 1060	Government, Courts & MN Criminal Law	3
ADSC 1340	Business Job Seeking Skills	1
JRBC 2120	Realtime Reporting VI**	4
JRBC 2140	Judicial Reporting Internship	2

* The prerequisite for this course is COMP 0100 "Basic Computer Keyboarding" or successful test out at 25 wpm or more.

** Additional speedbuilding courses available upon instructor approval.

NOTE: Students must complete the Realtime Reporting classes in sequence.