2023-2024

Judicial Reporting
Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree

Program Information

The Anoka Technical College Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Judicial Reporting is a 68-credit program designed to get graduates working as soon as possible. The academics are designed to be completed in two years. The speed requirement may be completed in two years or may take additional time. 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. Summer sessions are mandatory for Judicial Reporting students.

Program Learning Outcomes

- Students will demonstrate the ability to write a realtime theory.
- Students will be able to demonstrate competency in court reporting technology, including the use of customized computer-aided software.
- Students will be able to write two-voice at 225 wpm with 97% accuracy; jury charge at 200 wpm with 97% accuracy; and literary at 180 wpm with 97% accuracy.
- Students will demonstrate knowledge of business and professional ethics that are essential to success.
- Students will participate in an internship consisting of 40 hours of actual writing time with a professional reporter and/or captioner. Student will demonstrate entry-level industry proficiency by producing a 40-page complete and accurate transcript from internship experience.

Industry and Career Outlook

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.

Wage information is available from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development.

Accreditation/Certification

The Judicial Reporting curriculum was created to meet or exceed National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) standards set out 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 Registered Professional Reporter (RPR) certification exam. The RPR exam is offered twice per year in April and November.

Program Essentials

Laptop, steno machine, Case CATalyst student software. Please see instructor for specific requirements before purchasing any equipment. See Tuition and Fees for more information.

Program Start Dates

Fall Semester .......................................................... August
Spring Semester ...................................................... January
Summer session is mandatory for Judicial Reporting students.

Course Prerequisites

Some courses in this program may require a prerequisite. Please see course descriptions for more details.

MnTC General Education Requirements

This program requires completion of fifteen credits of general education from at least three goal areas of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC). Refer to the MnTC course list for elective courses:
- ENGL 1107 Composition I (Goal 1&2) ................. 4
- MnTC Electives .......................................... 11

Program Sequence

Fall Semester .......................................................... 15
- ADSC 1006 Business Law .................................. 4
- ENGL 1107 Composition I ................................... 4
- JRBC 1005 Realtime Reporting I* ..................... 4
- JRBC 1031 Foundations of Law .................................. 3

Spring Semester ...................................................... 14
- HLTH 1040 Medical Terminology ....................... 2
- JRBC 1000 Realtime Reporting Orientation .......... 1
- JRBC 1105 Realtime Reporting II* ................. 4
- JRBC 2011 Transcription & English I .................. 3
- MnTC Elective ........................................ 4

Summer Semester ............................................. 7

Please see your advisor for summer schedule
- JRBC 1120 Realtime Reporting Technology ........ 3
- JRBC 1200 Realtime Reporting III* ................. 4

Fall Semester ...................................................... 12
- JRBC 2000 Realtime Reporting IV* ................. 4
- JRBC 2030 Judicial Reporting Procedures .......... 3
- JRBC 2040 Business Success for Realtime Careers .. 2
- MnTC Elective ........................................ 3

Spring Semester ...................................................... 14
- JRBC 2016 Transcription & English II ............... 3
- JRBC 2036 Word Enrichment .......................... 3
- JRBC 2100 Realtime Reporting V* .................. 4
- MnTC Elective ........................................ 4

Summer Semester ...................................................... 6
- JRBC 2120 Realtime Reporting VI* .................. 4
- JRBC 2140 Judicial Reporting Internship ............. 2

Students must complete the Realtime Reporting classes in sequence.

Additional speedbuilding courses available upon instructor approval.
Graduation Requirements

All Realtime Reporting courses must be completed with a B or higher. All other courses required for this program must be completed with a C or higher. In addition, students shall pass three five-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.

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

Also see: CART and Broadcast Captioning and Scoping/Proofreading certificate