

# Occupational Group: Education and Training Job Family: Non-Vocational Education and Training Job Family Code: EN

# SIGNED LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

# General Summary

Signed language interpreters provide communication access to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing and those who can hear but cannot communicate in signed language by interpreting from English to American Sign Language (ASL) and American Sign Language to English.

Signed Language Interpreter Jobcode: I3025 Pay Band: 75 FLSA Status: Exempt

## Distinguishing Characteristics

This is the full performance Signed Language Interpreter capable of interpreting spoken and written English to signed language or signed language to spoken English in a variety of settings, ranging from individual communications to legislative hearings and board meetings. Must have knowledge of specialized vocabulary used in medical, behavioral health, legal, and state government settings.

### Minimum Qualifications

Bachelor's degree, maintain current Community Signed Language Interpreter License from the New Mexico Signed Language Interpreting Practices Board, maintain current certification from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), and two (2) years' post-certification experience as an interpreter.

### Essential Duties and Responsibilities\*

- Provides signed language interpreting service (English to ASL and ASL to English) for agency staff, consumers, visitors, and collaborators in a broad range of settings utilizing specialized vocabulary.
- Coordinate communication access services for agency staff.
- Oversee the work of contract interpreters and interpreter referral agencies serving the agency.

## **Bargaining Unit:**

**Statutory Requirements:** Hold a current Community Signed Language Interpreter license issued by the New Mexico Signed Language Interpreting Practices Board.

**Conditions of Employment:** Comply with the NAD-RID Code of Professional Conduct and with all Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements.

**Working Conditions:** Work is primarily performed in an office setting during regular business hours. Periodic statewide travel and night and weekend hours may be required as needed, and work may be performed in a variety of locations including client homes, conferences, and medical, mental health, and legal settings. Will be exposed to regular periods of video display terminal and keyboard usage and stressful situations. All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities.

#### **Established:** 4/30/2015

**Revised:** 

\*Essential Duties and Responsibilities are intended to be cumulative for each progressively higher level of work. The omission of specific statements does not preclude management from assigning other duties which are reasonably within the scope of duties. Classification description subject to change. Please refer to SPO website (<u>www.spo.state.nm.us</u>) to ensure this represents the most current copy of the position.

\*\* Means two (2) or any combination of full-time equivalent (FTE) status that equals at least two (2) regular or term status employees in non-temporary positions.