

# Academic Coursework

## Basic Information

Academic Units are intended to serve as a standard unit for credit for educational experiences from accredited institutions of higher learning. This accreditation must be recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The acceptance of academic units recognizes individuals for their efforts to continue their learning in higher education and to pursue a degree. Academic units will be converted to CEUs. When calculating CEUs, interpreters will earn 1 CEU for each 1-quarter credit hour, and 1.5 CEUs for 1-semester credit hour. So, for example, a 3 credit course over one semester would earn the interpreter 4.5 CEUs. A 3 credit course over one quarter would earn the interpreter 3.0 CEUs.

Academic Coursework activities may be submitted retroactively as long as the entire course is within the interpreter's current cycle.

## How do I find these activities?

Academic Coursework can be a class at any accredited institution of higher learning.

## What do I need to do BEFORE the activity?

There is no preparation needed before the class begins. If the interpreter wishes, they may contact DHCC to confirm CEUs will be awarded for the class they plan to take.

## What do I need to do DURING the activity?

There are no forms that need to be completed during the activity.

## What do I need to do AFTER the activity?

After the class is complete and you have received your grade, you will need to submit four items to DHCC no later than two years after the start date of the class:

1. The **Academic Coursework Activity Report**. Please complete the top box and sign/date the bottom of the form. Please leave the middle box empty - the sponsor will complete this information.
2. A complete course description.
3. Some form **documentation of the grade report or online grade report/transcript**. The interpreter must receive a passing grade of C (2.0 GPA) or higher to receive CEUs for the course.
4. A **check for \$20**. This fee is reduced to \$15 for those individuals who are DHCC Members. If you are interested in becoming a member, the membership fee is \$20/year (January - December), and the appropriate form is included in this packet. The payment for PINRAs must be submitted with the initial paperwork.

After all paperwork and payment has been received, DHCC will submit your information to RID and the appropriate number of CEUs will be credited toward your transcript.



# DHCC CEU Rate Sheet

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The following is a list of rates for each type of CEU submitted. Fees include the cost of consultative discussions regarding the initial request and the administrative work involved between RID, DHCC and the individuals and organizations involved.

An additional \$20 fee will be charged for activities that must be submitted by calendar year end and are received by DHCC's CMP Coordinator after December 15th of that year.

To become a DHCC Member, simply fill out the attached membership form. Membership runs from January 1 - December 31.

## CEU Rates

Activity Type	DHCC Member Rate	Non-Member Rate
Academic Coursework	\$15	\$20
Participant Initiated Non-RID Activity (PINRA)	\$15	\$20
Independent Study	\$40	\$50
Sponsor Initiated Event (Presenters)	\$65	\$75

# Professional or General Studies?

Where does my activity fall?

## Introduction

All RID CEU activities are labeled as either Professional Studies or General Studies. RID requires participants earn a minimum of 8.0 CEUs during each 4-year certification cycle. A minimum of 6.0 CEUs must be completed in Professional Studies during each Certification Maintenance Cycle. For General Studies, there is no minimum requirement of CEUs in this category, however only 2.0 of the 8.0 CEUs required will be counted toward certification maintenance. All CEU categorizations are at the discretion of the Sponsor (DHCC), who adheres to the RID guidelines.

## Professional Studies

Professional Studies contain content that DIRECTLY affects the field of interpreting/transliterating. Examples of Professional Studies topics include, but are not limited to:

1. **Linguistic and Cultural Studies:** The study of any language or linguistic system, as well as general cultural studies, and the study of any specific culture. Examples include:
  - Advanced English vocabulary and grammar development
  - Linguistics of ASL
  - Linguistics of English
  - Language variation
  - Sociolinguistics
  - Deaf culture
  - American culture
  - Minority group dynamics
  - Cross-cultural studies
  - Multi-cultural studies
2. **Theoretical and Experiential Studies:** The process of interpreting/transliterating through the application of systems of principles, philosophy, ideas or concepts. Examples include:
  - History and issues in interpretation and transliteration
  - Theory of interpretation and transliteration
  - Skills development in interpretation and/or transliteration
  - Skills development in consecutive and simultaneous interpretation
  - Professional ethics

3. **Specialization Studies:** Building skills in more narrowly focused areas within the broader field of interpreting or transliterating. **Documentation must be present detailing the way in which the activity relates to the development of interpreting skills in that particular field or setting.**

Examples include aspects of:

- Educational settings
- Rehabilitation settings
- Legal settings
- Medical or mental health settings
- Substance abuse recovery programs
- Technical areas
- Ethics as applied in specialized settings

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## General Studies

General studies include topics that enhance the interpreter/transliterators' general knowledge base.

# 2013 Membership Form

## Deaf-Hearing Communication Centre, Inc.



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### Membership Runs from January 1 - December 31

#### DHCC Membership Benefits Include:

- ◆ Notification of all DHCC Events and Activities
- ◆ Discounts on ASL Classes, CEU fees, Workshops and Events
- ◆ E-subscription to DHCC's Quarterly Newsletter, *The Communicator*
- ◆ Eligibility for the Arlene Long Memorial Education Fund Program for ASL Teachers and Interpreters
- ◆ Eligibility to participate in the Community Interpreting Program

DHCC accepts checks (payable to DHCC), MasterCard or Visa. Please complete and detach the form below and send with your payment to:

Deaf-Hearing Communication Centre  
DHCC Membership  
630 Fairview Rd, Suite 100  
Swarthmore, PA 19081

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**Yes, I would like to become a DHCC Member** and support the programs, activities, and services that DHCC provides to the Deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing communities. Please accept my tax-deductible contribution of:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Individual Membership              | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 Organization Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Family Membership (Same household) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$250-\$475 Patron's Circle  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50-\$225 Friends Circle               | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 or more Select Circle  |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (needed for *The Communicator*): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please Select Payment Method:

Check Enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Please charge my credit card the following amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  Visa  MasterCard

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder's Ph #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Card Holder: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_