

Ascentis **Level 4 Certificate**

in

Community Interpreting

Rule of Combination



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Qualification Overview

In Britain today there are numerous different linguistic communities from a diverse range of backgrounds. In many cases members of these communities have a limited grasp of spoken English. Often it is necessary for those in the community with stronger communication skills in English to act as a bridge between these people and the wider community. They help them overcome the linguistic barriers and cultural differences they encounter on a daily basis where their lack of proficiency in spoken English places them at a disadvantage.

This qualification equips learners with highly developed levels of language skills in both their first language and English to undertake interpreting work at an advanced level. It has units covering two-way interpretation, sight translation and professional development in community interpreting, together with units on working in different sectors.

There are several features of this qualification that make it very appropriate for its target learners:

- It allows the learners to further develop their skills and knowledge as community interpreters
- There is a choice of specialist sectors from which the learners select two to study
- Unit certification is available for each of the units
- Verification and certification can be offered throughout the year, allowing maximum flexibility for centres

Aims

The aims of the qualification are to enable learners:

- 1 To further develop the role of the community interpreter
- 2 To gain a deeper understanding of the sectors where interpreters may be required to work
- 3 To develop their skills in interpreting
- 4 To develop their skills in sight translation
- 5 To understand how to develop and enhance their own performance as a community interpreter

Target Group

This qualification is aimed at a range of learners, including:

- Those who have undertaken some work in this area and wish to develop their skills
- Those who wish to acquire some formal qualifications to enable them to work as a community interpreter and move onto higher qualifications

Regulation Codes

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Assessment Method

All units are internally assessed through the learner building up a portfolio of evidence that covers the relevant assessment criteria, which is internally assessed and verified by the centre and then externally verified by Ascentis, together with at least 90 hours of interpreting practice. Of the 90 hours at least 50 hours must be obtained prior to the learner joining the course.

Rule of Combination

Rationale for the Rules of Combination

The knowledge and understanding of good working practice within community interpreting are included in the (mandatory) Group A units. The (optional) Group B units allow learners to choose two sectors in which they would like to specialise. The (optional) Group C units allow learners to develop further skills related to community interpreting.

Minimum GLH: 134; Maximum GLH: 176.

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Minimum credits: 23				
Minimum credit value at level of qualification or above: 20				
Group A – Mandatory Units				
Credit (from Group A) Mandatory Units: 11				
Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit ref
Interpret Two Way	4	5	20	H/503/4533
Sight Translation from and into English	4	3	18	F/505/3011
Professional Development in Community Interpreting	4	3	18	H/505/3017
Group B – Optional Units				
Minimum credit (from Group B) Optional Units: 6				
Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit ref
Working as a Community Interpreter within Educational Settings	4	3	30	H/506/7631
Working as a Community Interpreter within Health Services	4	3	30	M/506/7633
Working as a Community Interpreter within Mental Health Services	4	3	30	T/506/7634
Working as a Community Interpreter within Social Services	4	3	30	A/506/7635
Working as a Community Interpreter within Immigration Services	4	3	30	F/506/7636
Working as a Community Interpreter within Housing Services	4	3	30	J/506/7637
Working as a Community Interpreter within the Welfare Benefits System	4	3	30	R/506/7639
Working as a Community Interpreter within the Criminal Justice System	4	3	30	J/506/7640

Group C – Optional Units		Minimum credit (from Group C) Optional Units: 6 Minimum optional credit at level of qualification or above: 3		
Title	Level	Credit Value	GLH	Unit ref
Telephone Interpreting	4	3	30	K/506/7646
Community Interpreting Research Unit	4	3	18	F/505/3025
Mentoring in Community Interpreting	4	3	30	L/506/7624
Essential Enterprise Know How	3	3	14	J/502/8403

Guided Learning Hours (GLH)

The recommended guided learning hours for this qualification is 134.

Total Qualification Time (TQT)

The total qualification time for this qualification is 230.

Age Range of Qualification

This qualification is suitable for adult learners.

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