

RESOURCES:

The National Association of the Deaf
<http://nad.org/issues/american-sign-language>

The Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf
<http://www.rid.org/about-interpreting/standard-practice-papers/>

D/deaf Services provides a range of services and technologies to create access

Register with ODS and provide written documentation of your hearing loss, central auditory processing disorder, or language-based disability.

Meet with the D/deaf Services Coordinator to discuss what services and accommodations may be appropriate.

Meet with a learning specialist every semester to develop a pink accommodation sheet for academic accommodations.

Request access to events and other campus activities in a timely manner.

Captionists use a specialized software program developed by the National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) to transform speech-to text. Based on the D/deaf individual's needs, the captionist can create real-time transcript-style text or comprehensive, paraphrased notes. Upon request, the text can be displayed simultaneously on the consumer's laptop or mobile device.

Transcripts and notes are not intended to be verbatim but instead are paraphrased to capture the spoken meaning. Captioning allows for maximum versatility in meeting students' English-based access needs. BCC hires free-lance captionists credentialed by NTID and has one staff captionist.