



National Occupational Framework: Interpreter and Translator

Interpreters and translators facilitate effective communication between multiple parties, providing verbal, written, or sign translation and interpretation between the source language and target language. They work in health care, education, legal services, government, and other settings. They use cultural knowledge to bridge communication barriers between employers and clients.

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Apprenticeship: A Solution for Recruiting and Training Interpreters and Translators

Apprenticeship programs combine learning on the job and in the classroom to train workers in the exact skills needed by employers. Interpreters and translators perform a vital communication function for a variety of organizations, with diverse responsibilities that vary by setting and employer. Apprenticeships for interpreters and translators can be designed in a variety of languages and can train workers in the wide range of skills needed for this important occupation.



Apprenticeship Benefits:

90%
employment retention for apprentices

86%
of employers with programs recommend apprenticeship

\$1.44
return on investment for every dollar spent

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN A [NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL FRAMEWORK](#)?

- background information to help you learn more about the occupation
- comprehensive list of the competencies apprentices need to do the job
- building blocks of information for employers developing a registered apprenticeship program

Questions? Visit the National Apprenticeship Resource Hub at apprenticeships.urban.org or contact the Urban Institute at apprenticeship@urban.org.



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