

## ABOUT THE COURSE

The Health Care Interpreter Course is a specialized educational program offered several times during the year with course curriculum and materials developed by Kaiser Permanente in partnership with Hablamos Juntos.

It is the first program to be accredited by the International Medical Interpreter Association (IMIA).

### IS THIS COURSE FOR YOU?

This course is ideal for students who are proficient in two or more languages. The program offers both Level I and Level II courses, based on supply and demand.

### EXAMPLES OF TOPICS COVERED

- Communication barriers
- Roles and modes of interpreting Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics of the IMIA, NCIHC and CHIA Legal and regulatory requirements in healthcare
- Medical terminology & equipment
- Most common diseases

### COURSE FEATURES

- 40 hours taught in Zoom (synchronous)
- 20 hours of asynchronous independent study, supervised by your instructor.
- Taught in two ways: English/Spanish OR Spanish/English

### CURRICULUM

In Level I and Level II courses, follows the IMIA/CCHI Standards of Training.

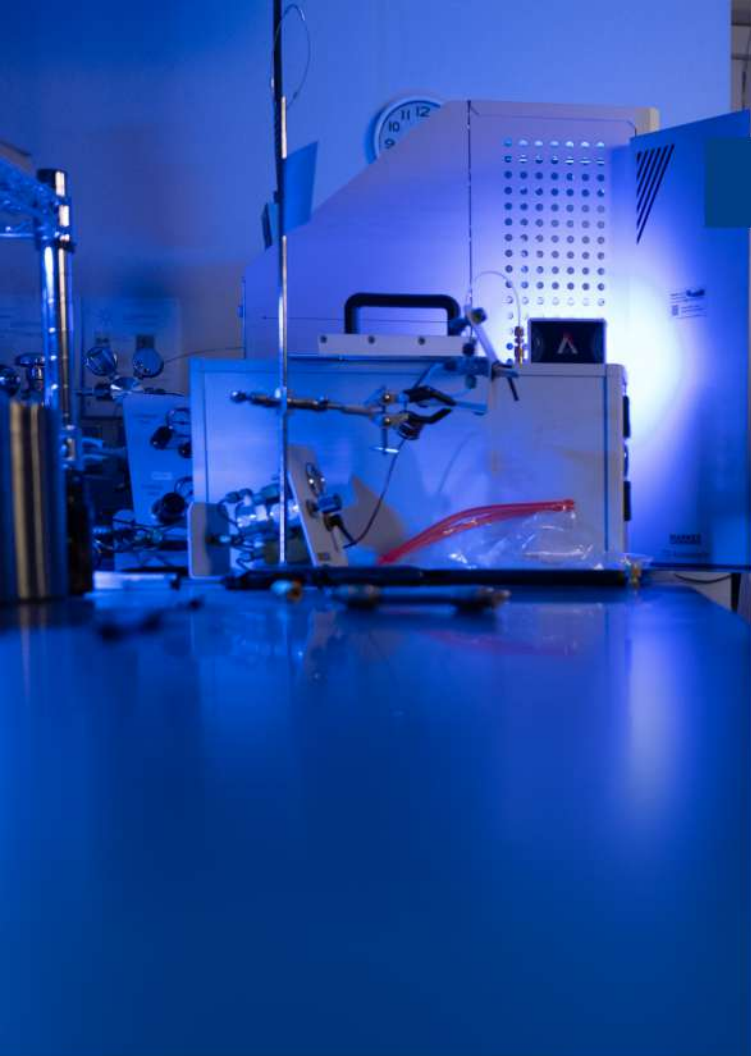
Our curriculum was first developed by Gayle Tang at Kaiser Permanente (2014) for Hablamos Juntos (RWJF national grant). It has been revised and updated regularly.

# HEALTH CARE INTERPRETER COURSE

60 CREDIT HOURS



THE UNIVERSITY OF  
**MEMPHIS**  
School of Public Health



## CURRICULUM

### LEVEL I

60-hour online hybrid course delivered synchronously in Zoom. The students actively interact with their classmates and instructor. The second segment of the course includes 20-hours of asynchronous learning. Students continue studying individually the topics included in the syllabus and they may meet in Zoom with the instructor to check their individual/group progress.

### LEVEL II\*

40-hour intermediate-advanced online Zoom course offered to those individuals who want to expand their knowledge of medical interpreting and prepare to take the NBCMI and/or CCHI national exams. It may be taken after having successfully completed Level I or its equivalent.

\*Students who have taken Level I are not required to take Level II, but it is highly recommended.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

ORAL Proficiency:

- If you have a high school diploma or college degree from the U.S.A., then you have met your oral English requirement.
- Take the Language Proficiency Test (LPT) in Spanish, unless you have a high school diploma or college degree from a Spanish-speaking country or another foreign country.
- High school diploma or equivalent; bachelor's degree or higher recommended.
- Minimum 18 year of age; recommended 21 years or older.

## CONNECT WITH OUR ADMISSIONS TEAM

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