

2019 - 2020

# Educational Interpreter Performance Assessment (EIPA) VIDEO CONFERENCE WORKSHOP SERIES



**October 5, 2019, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. CT**

## **A New Generation of Slang**

Sabrina Smith, Ph.D., CI and CT, NIC  
Master and Ed:K-12

This workshop takes a look at slang that is used by the younger generation and addresses the issue of what does an interpreter do when they hear these phrases. Working with younger generations means understanding their language and being able to interpret it effectively. This workshop teaches skills that help educate interpreters about current slang, how to interpret slang, and what to do when they are faced with terms with which they are unfamiliar.

**November 2, 2019, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. CT**

## **Mouth Morphemes: More Than Lip Service**

Gina Grabher, AAS, EIPA Evaluator, ASL Professor  
Bethany Koubsky, BA, RID CI/CT, EIPA Program  
Coordinator

Mouth Morphemes are an important, yet complicated, grammatical feature of American Sign Language. When used correctly, they convey adjectival, adverbial or other descriptive meaning in sign language.

In this workshop, native signer, Gina Grabher, and seasoned interpreter, Bethany Koubsky CI/CT, will lead participants through a variety of activities to improve recognition of mouth morphemes and how to apply them in sign language interpretation.

**February 8, 2020, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. CT**

## **The Role of Educational Interpreters:**

### **Choices and Challenges in K-12 Interpreting**

Barbara Woodhead, B.A., RID CI/CT, EIPA Evaluator

Interpreting is much more than transferring meaning from one language to another. This training will examine the role that interpreters inhabit in K-12 settings. Content will include an overview of current literature on the concept of role-space and identity. Workshop activities and discussion will look at various scenarios and the ethical principles and/or guidelines that inform interpreter decisions.

**April 4, 2020, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. CT**

## **The Secret to Harmonizing ASL Classifiers**

Trix Bruce, B.S.

Let's brush up our visual imagery skills with classifiers. ASL classifiers show action and ideas. During this workshop, participants will see demonstrations of adjectives, descriptions, object functions, personification, and more. In ASL, visual imagery is worth a thousand words. This workshop will offer hands-on practice in using classifier handshapes with creativity and precision. Move away from thinking in English and let ASL handshapes tell the story.

**For more information, please contact: Chris Grassmeyer at (531) 355-5039**

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