

WORKING WITH INTERPRETERS TIP SHEET

FOR DEFENSE SUPERVISOR

Is your student giving a defense? Will ASL-English interpreters be present? Then this tip sheet is for you.

TOP TIPS

1. Be prepared to provide materials, in coordination with your student, to the interpreting team so they can adequately prepare for specific content. Materials such as:
 - a. _____,
 - b. _____ resentation slides (PowerPoint, etc.),
 - c. Visual and audio materials, if using (videos, YouTube clips, voice-over recordings, etc.). *Please check if closed captions are available for visual materials and if not, inform the interpreters.*
2. The interpreting team will set-up near the student presenting and / or projector screen. Due to the visual nature of ASL, sight lines are critical and your assistance to ensure unobstructed views of the speaker and the interpreter(s) is appreciated.
3. When possible the interpreting team will arrive to the room where the defense is taking place ahead of time to ensure that lighting, sight lines, and placement of the interpreting