



TRAN8097

Simultaneous Interpreting into LOTE 1

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Department of Linguistics

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General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

80cp in TRAN units at 8000 level

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

This unit is focused on simultaneous interpreting practice from English into LOTE for first semester Master of Conference Interpreting students. It teaches students how to use acquired skills to apply various strategies in dealing with different constraints in the on-line information process. Students are required to simultaneously interpret both improvised and well-prepared speeches on wide-ranging topics into LOTE, which are selected from various sources according to difficulty levels.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Demonstrate the sub-skills required for simultaneous interpreting into Chinese.

ULO2: Demonstrate familiarity with a range of strategies to cope with challenges inherent to SI.

ULO3: Demonstrate a good understanding of the differences between English and Chinese in the context of SI.

ULO4: Apply self-analysis of interpreting performance into Chinese.

ULO5: Demonstrate skills in individual, peer and group evaluation.

General Assessment Information

Materials used for this unit are largely selected from the Internet in general and YouTube and EU Speech Repository in particular. Students will also need to write up speeches for in-class practise. The learning and teaching strategies used are mainly through face to face interaction between lecturers and students. Additionally, students will be also encouraged to leverage iLearn for communication and participate in group discussion, peer evaluation and group research projects for interpreting assignments.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
<u>Final examination</u>	40%	No	Week 14
<u>Classroom participation and performance</u>	30%	No	Week 13
<u>Mid-term examination</u>	30%	No	Week 7

Final examination

Assessment Type ¹: Examination

Indicative Time on Task ²: 1 hours

Due: **Week 14**

Weighting: **40%**

The students will be sitting for final examination during the examination weeks with a video of 15-18 minutes (1,900~2,400 words) for simultaneous interpreting.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate the sub-skills required for simultaneous interpreting into Chinese.
- Demonstrate familiarity with a range of strategies to cope with challenges inherent to SI.
- Demonstrate a good understanding of the differences between English and Chinese in the context of SI.
- Apply self-analysis of interpreting performance into Chinese.
- Demonstrate skills in individual, peer and group evaluation.

Classroom participation and performance

Assessment Type ¹: Participatory task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 36 hours

Due: **Week 13**

Weighting: **30%**

Students are encouraged to attend all the lectures and tutorials of the unit to acquire the basic skills and strategies of simultaneous interpreting. Students will also be undertaking training tasks on simultaneous interpreting and are encouraged to carry out self-evaluation and peer evaluation in the class. At least 2 hours of interpreting practise with random assessment and feedback each week.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate the sub-skills required for simultaneous interpreting into Chinese.
- Demonstrate familiarity with a range of strategies to cope with challenges inherent to SI.
- Demonstrate a good understanding of the differences between English and Chinese in the context of SI.
- Apply self-analysis of interpreting performance into Chinese.
- Demonstrate skills in individual, peer and group evaluation.

Mid-term examination

Assessment Type ¹: Examination

Indicative Time on Task ²: 1 hours

Due: **Week 7**

Weighting: **30%**

Mid-term examination in Week 7 with a video of 12-15 minutes (1,320~1,500 words) for simultaneous interpreting.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Demonstrate the sub-skills required for simultaneous interpreting into Chinese.
- Demonstrate familiarity with a range of strategies to cope with challenges inherent to SI.
- Apply self-analysis of interpreting performance into Chinese.
- Demonstrate skills in individual, peer and group evaluation.

¹ If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment

- the [Writing Centre](#) for academic skills support.

² Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources

Materials used for this unit are largely selected from the Internet in general and YouTube and EU Speech Repository in particular. Students will also be required to create and present speeches on selected topics for in-class practise. The learning and teaching strategies used are mainly through face to face interaction between lecturers and students. Additionally, students will be also encouraged to leverage iLearn for communication and participate in group discussion, peer evaluation and group research project for interpreting assignments.

Policies and Procedures

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- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Assessment Procedure](#)
- [Complaints Resolution Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit [Student Policies](#) (<https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/policies>). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit [Policy Central](#) (<https://policies.mq.edu.au>) and use the [search tool](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct>

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- [Workshops](#)
- [Chat with a WriteWISE peer writing leader](#)
- [Access StudyWISE](#)
- [Upload an assignment to Studiosity](#)
- [Complete the Academic Integrity Module](#)

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- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

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- [Safety support](#) to respond to bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault
- [Social support including information about finances, tenancy and legal issues](#)

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IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

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