Proficiency Tests

Proficiency tests are available at the following places:

a. The Sign Language Proficiency Interview is offered at the Ohio School for The Deaf (OSD). Email Molly Estes, SLPI Coordinator (estesm@osd.oh.gov). Her phone number is (614) 678-5442 (VP) or (614) 995-1566 (voicemail only). The test is $150. Contact Molly to schedule a test and she will bill you.

b. The American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) is offered on-site through Gallaudet University. However, Dr. Hogue can serve as a proctor for that test if KSU students take it remotely on campus. The test is $165.

If you would like more information on the SLPI, their website includes links to the rating scale and sample videos of each level at https://www.rit.edu/ntid/slpi/. The evaluation process uses a trained interviewer who will ask you increasingly complex questions to evaluate the form and content of your communication. You are interviewed using a conversational format. Give complete and thorough answers that show your linguistic and signing skills. Avoid one-word answers or short phrases, and it is fine if you respond conversationally with questions of your own.

“The American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) is a holistic language evaluation used to determine global ASL proficiency. The basic precept in this type of evaluation is to find out through a face-to-face interview what an individual can do with the target language at a given point in time. The ASLPI is a 20-25 minute video recorded interactive dialogue between the examinee and the interviewer” (Gallaudet University, n.d.). Click here for information on the ASLPI: https://www.gallaudet.edu/the-american-sign-language-proficiency-interview/aslpi

Complete the testing and receive results prior to Oct. 31st the semester prior to the advanced practicum. Let Dr. McCartney know your results. Rachel Walter, advisor in 304 White Hall, will also receive a copy. This will go in your professional file with your licensure application. Postbac or graduate students will need to ensure WH 418 has a copy of their results.