



Requirements for Membership

QUALIFIED (MITI)

1. A first degree or postgraduate qualification in a relevant subject or a corresponding qualification accepted by ITI.

2. References

Recommendation regarding ability and good repute by at least three persons (two professional and one character) for translators, lecturers and ad hoc interpreters. All references must be from different sources. Character references must not be from a spouse/partner or immediate family member.

Conference interpreters require references according to the A-B-C language classification system as follows:

Active languages:

- A – The interpreter's native language (or another language strictly equivalent to a native language), into which the interpreter works from all her or his other languages.
- B – A language other than the interpreter's native language, of which he or she has a perfect command and into which he or she works from one or more of his or her other languages.

Passive languages:

- C – Languages of which the interpreter has a complete understanding and from which he or she works.

Reference requirements:

- A – At least 2 referees with an A in the same language
- B – At least 1 referee with an A in the same language and 1 other referee with either an A or B in the same language
- C – At least 2 referees with the language in their own combination at A, B or C

Waivers: For conference interpreters only, in exceptional circumstances a waiver may be granted, such as in the case of an applicant having more unusual language combinations for which sufficient referees cannot be found.

3. Recent professional experience:

For Translators:

A minimum of five years' full-time work (or a correspondingly longer period part-time) and successful assessment of work or a Pass in the ITI Membership Examination; alternatively, three years' full-time (or correspondingly longer part-time), plus a Pass in the ITI Membership Examination, unless the applicant can satisfy the Admissions Committee that there are exceptionally strong grounds for exemption. There is a **guideline minimum** word count of 750,000 over the qualifying period but applications will be considered on an individual basis.

For Interpreters:

A minimum of 200 days over a period of five years plus a successful Assessment Interview; alternatively, a minimum of 120 days over a period of three years plus a Pass in the ITI Membership Examination, and/or successful Assessment Interview. Conference Interpreters must either meet the above or be current active members of AIIC.

POLICE & COURT INTERPRETER

1. Current full NRPSI registration (criteria 2 and 4 will not be applicable) **OR**
Qualification to DPSI or Metropolitan Police Test or equivalent (all following criteria applicable)
2. 400 hours' minimum Police and Court interpreting experience
3. CRB standard or enhanced disclosure
4. 2 references from CJS employers
5. Interview

CORPORATE

There are 4 different categories of corporate membership, for details please contact ITI office or see ITI website www.iti.org.uk (Join ITI/Corporate).

ASSOCIATE

1. Evidence of a professional interest in translation or interpreting
2. Submission of one character reference and one professional reference

STUDENT ASSOCIATE

Registration for or attendance at a course of full-time study (postgraduate or other) recognised as preparation for work as a professional translator or interpreter. Any part-time/distance learning course should lead to a qualification recognised by ITI.

ACADEMIC (ACAD)

1. A first + post-graduate degree in translation/interpreting and/or languages.
2. One professional and one character reference
3. Recent professional experience
 - a) Evidence of 10 years' minimum teaching in HE or FE
 - b) Evidence of recent published research in the fields of translation and/or interpreting (over the last 5 years)
 - c) Evidence of recent CPD activities (over the last 3 years)
4. Interview