



Language & Communication

# Translation & Interpretation

**2**  
Years

TO DEGREE

**19%**

Interpreter and Translator

**Job Growth**

**648**

Localization jobs

**within 100 miles**

**+5-20%**

pay differential

**Bilingual Nurses**

## Program Overview

Modern mobility and globalization bring the world's different cultures and languages together like never before. Translators and interpreters bridge these differences to provide effective, clear communication, ensuring equitable access to public life and community services. MPC's program includes theories and practices of translating and interpreting, focusing on comprehension of source language texts and accurate expression of content and style in translations.

## Job Outlook

Translators and interpreters are in high demand and California offers more jobs than any other state. These professionals work in a variety of settings, including medical offices, schools, government agencies, and businesses. In addition to dual language proficiency, they must use industry terminology, cultural and social communication, and technology to provide in-person and remote services. Localization, which enables access to technology across cultures and languages, is another growing opportunity in the Bay Area's high-tech industry.

## CAREERS

### \*Interpreter/Translator

\$40,600 - \$109,270

### \*Medical Interpreter

\$59,430 - \$97,510

### \*Localization Project Mgr.

\$60,203 - \$112,253

### \*Mapping/Localization Sr. Eng.

\$64,037- \$121,180

\* May require additional training  
Source: American Translators' Assoc.  
and Salary.com



The American Translators Association & National Board of Certification for Medical Interpreters offer professional credentialing programs.



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## Suggested Course Sequence

**Associate in  
Arts Degree**  
MPC GE Pattern

YEAR	FALL		SPRING	
		Units		Units
1	ENGL 1A	3	SPAN 15	4
	or ENGL 1AE		SPAN 36	3
	LIBR 50	1	Area B & Lab	4
	Area A2	4	Area D	3
	MATH 10 or 16 rec.		HIST 20 rec.	
	SPAN 31	4	Elective	1
	SPAN 5, or 10, 18, 22	3-4		
	or SPAN 50A, B, C, or D			
	<b>Total Fall Units</b>	<b>15-16</b>	<b>Total Spring Units</b>	<b>15</b>
2	FALL		SPRING	
		Units		Units
	SPAN 32	4	SPAN 34	4
	SPAN 11, or 12, 33, 40, 45	4-5	SPAN 11, or 12, 33, 40, 45	4-5
	Area F	3	Electives*	7
	ENTC 18 rec.		<i>*Confirm remaining degree requirements with counseling</i>	
	Electives	4		
	<b>Total Fall Units</b>	<b>15-16</b>	<b>Total Spring Units</b>	<b>15-16</b>

This is a suggested sequence of coursework and is one pathway for students to earn their degree/certificate. This is not an official educational plan. A counselor is able to assist you with creating a personalized education plan based on your academic, career, and personal goals. For more information about counseling and up-to-date program requirements, please visit [www.mpc.edu/counseling](http://www.mpc.edu/counseling).



*I am proud to see MPC and the Spanish faculty create courses and an interpretation program that will prepare individuals to enter a career that will impact our community for the better.*

**Ashlin Habes**  
MPC Student

Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) is a fully accredited California public community college. The college is known for the excellence of its academic programs and student support services.

### Campus Locations

Monterey  
Marina  
Seaside  
Online

### Website

[www.mpc.edu/translation](http://www.mpc.edu/translation)

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