

# WHAT IS A COURT REPORTER?

A court reporter is a state or nationally certified stenographer authorized to take down the verbatim testimony of witnesses in court or in pretrial depositions. The reporter puts the witness under oath, records the testimony by stenographic or voice means, and produces a certified transcript for the court.

A court reporter in Louisiana must pass a written exam and three skills tests ranging from 180 to 225 words per minute for five minutes. Requirements vary by state.

"I hope all the students realize just how patient and understanding you and your staff are!" (Email from voice graduate)

# WHAT EQUIPMENT IS NEEDED?

The hardware and software components of the program are as follows:

- Laptop computer
- Stenomask
- Speech Recognition Software
- Computer-Aided Transcription (CAT) Software

BRSCR will load student CAT software. Refer to the website for specific technology requirements. Email, Internet access, and Microsoft Word are also needed.

## WHAT ARE THE COURSES?

#### *Initial academics:*

- · History of Voice Writing
- English I
- Medical Terminology
- Legal Terminology
- Practical Applications

# Skills training:

- Technology 101
- Speedbuilding I
- Speedbuilding II
- Speedbuilding III

### Finishing courses:

- English II
- Certification Preparation
- Technology 201

## **HOW LONG IS THE PROGRAM?**

The Voice Writing program consists of a combination of 12 academic and skills courses.

The program is designed to take approximately nine (9) months to complete the academics and skills speedbuilding levels.

"I never dreamed an online school could be so personable!" (Online graduate)

### WHAT ABOUT BOOKS?

Some of the academic courses require textbooks. Books are not included in the program cost but can often be purchased used at minimal expense.

### WHEN DO CLASSES MEET?

The online Voice Writing Program is available for online access at any time, 24/7. You may start at any time.

"I just wanted to thank you for always pushing me and never giving up on me!! You are the best :)" (Email from voice graduate)

## **HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?**

- The total tuition cost is \$5400.
- The registration fee is \$150.
- Students pay a one-time software user fee of \$100 to the software vendor.

Equipment and textbooks are separate costs totaling approximately (excluding the computer) \$900.

BRSCR accepts checks, e-checks, credit card and debit card payments through brscr.com, the Tuition Online tab. Financing options may be available for those who qualify.

## SIGN ME UP!

Register online at *BRSCR.com*, *Enroll Now*. Or contact Admissions for more information at (225) 218-4919, or e-mail office@brscr.com.