

## **Before Class**

- Introduction email to professors: how, when, and what to communicate with the professor (directly or through your DSS coordinator)
- Show Whatcom's: There's a TypeWell Transcriber in my class. Now what do I do?
- Transcriber should carry a hard copy of the DSS email
- Look at subject matter be prepared for what may come up.
- Is there a possibility of getting the textbook or an E-text to familiarize yourself with terms?
- Is this class something you can handle?

# First Day of class

- Introduce yourself to instructor (and student, if necessary) prior to the start of class.
- Create a "brief" professional definition of the TypeWell transcriber's role to recite to curious students.
- Have a hard copy of the DSS communication for the teacher, in case they didn't read/get the email.
- Check out the classroom for optimal spot with:
  - View of board
  - Seating
  - Outlets
  - Out of the way

## DURING THE SEMESTER

- Maintaining boundaries
- Maintaining confidentiality after you get comfortable
- What to do when you're on the spot or when teachers throw curve balls
- What to do if you handle a situation badly
- When and how to speak up during class (e.g. if you can't hear, if you need a copy of the handout, if the instructor shows a video)

## INTRODUCTIONS!

In pairs, practice introducing yourself to a professor.

Best/worst Methods?

# UNCOMFORTABLE SITUATIONS:

Group Discussion:

### • Problem 1:

 Upon arriving in class, the professor states, "Are you a spy for the university? Who sees what you Type?"

#### • Problem 2:

 The professor turns on a video but refuses to turn on the available captions because "They interfere with the integrity of the video."

### HOW DO WE STAY ON THEIR GOOD SIDE?

- Talk to the professor after class with any questions. (if allowed)
  - When a professor sees that you are actually interested in the subject, it fosters good feelings.
- Other Ideas?