

Important information about the Oral Proficiency Interview

(Lea la información cuidadosamente)

ICCA (interpreting and Cultural Competence Academy), issues three different **certificates** for participants who have taken language proficiency testing with the *ACTFL* test as follows:

(This is not a certification only a certificate).

Level I, “*Qualified Professional Interpreter*”: to obtain this certificate the participant must attend at least 38 hours of the 40-hour training of the Community Interpreter program, and proof of the ACTFL test of Superior, Advance High, or Advance Mid level. Pass the written test of the Community Interpreting program with a score of 75 or higher.

Level II, “*Trained Interpreter*”: to obtain this certificate, the participant must attend at least 38 hours of the 40-hour training of the Community Interpreter program, and proof of the ACTFL test of Intermediate High or Intermediate Mid. Pass the written test of the Community Interpreting program with a score of 75 or higher.

Level III, “*Hospitality Interpreter*”: to obtain this certificate the participant must attend at least, 36 hours of the 40-hour training program of Community Interpreter and proof of ACTFL of at least of Intermediate Mid. Pass the written test of the Community Interpreting program with a score of 75 or higher.

Professional disclosure: ICCA does not receive commissions from LTI. You can choose any another company that is recognized and provides the ACTFL test.

**There are two different Oral Proficiency interviews or assessments:
OPIc and OPI**

(Choose only one)

1. ORAL PROFICIENCY by COMPUTER= “OPIc”

\$70 official, ACTFL certified (plus \$35 for the proctoring)

- The OPIc is a computer or telephone-recording interview
- Test Length – approximately 30 minutes
- Measures to ACTFL level Superior
- Demo: OPIc Demo (the demo lets you experience the full process of the test plus sample questions)
- The recording is rated by certified ACTFL raters, and the final rating is ready within 1 business day.
- To access the OPIc Examinee handbook and the OPIc familiarization guide, go to the OPIc homepage, or click the links above.

The Oral Proficiency Interview – computer (OPIc) was developed as a computerized tool to deliver and score valid and reliable oral proficiency testing on a large scale, anytime, without notice, on demand. The computer-delivered assessment emulates the qualities of the OPI, but handles the delivery of the questions by a carefully-designed computer program, with an avatar named Ava, who presents the prompts. The test taker can access the computerized interview either online or via telephone.

The ACTFL OPIc is appropriate for both small-group and large-scale testing. The recording of their responses is made available via the Internet to Certified OPIc Raters and is evaluated by them within a short period of time. Because OPIc is available online, it can easily be delivered, anytime, anywhere. Certified ACTFL OPIc Raters blindly rate the speech samples.

2. Interview: Oral Proficiency Interview= OPI

\$139 official, ACTFL certified (Plus \$20 for the proctoring)

* OPIs cancelled less than 24 hours before scheduled start time are billed \$55.

- the OPI is a live telephone interview
- Test Length – 20- 30 minutes
- Measures to ACTFL level Superior
- OPI Familiarization Manual, [click here](#).
- Examinee hand-book: [click here](#)
- Available in over 120 languages

The ACTFL OPI, our flagship assessment for 25 years, is an interview primarily conducted telephonically by a live Tester. While the OPI incorporates listening; requiring the candidate to respond in context to the questions posed, it is a test of “interpersonal” speaking (i.e. back and forth communication that includes listening, rather than speaking in the “presentational” mode).

Your Community Interpreter Trainer will be able to receive your score from LIT.

[link to sign in for the OPIc or OPI](#)

If you have any questions, please, feel free to contact Ingrid Oseguera, Instructor of the Community Interpreter Training, at ingridinterpreting18@gmail.com