



Midwest Association *of* Translators *and* Interpreters

Call for Presenters: Webinar Series 2018

Research & Practice in Translation and Interpreting

A webinar series presenting research and skills-building workshops to inform and improve our practice as working translators and interpreters.

The Midwest Association of Translators and Interpreters (MATI) is pleased to announce a call for proposals to present in our upcoming webinar series on the theory and practice of translation and interpreting. There is no overarching theme to next year's webinar series, but we encourage proposals that push the boundaries and explore new and unexamined facets of our profession.

Starting in January 2018, MATI will host a series of at least six (6) webinars to discuss emerging topics in the field. As language access becomes increasingly important across all sectors of society, translation and interpreting are being brought to the forefront of our global consciousness as never before. Policy on how, when, where, and by whom language access is provided intersects with the skills, techniques, theories, and ethical standards employed by translators and interpreters on a daily basis. At the same time, translators and interpreters are becoming increasingly specialized in terms of subject area (legal, medical, financial, education, diplomacy, marketing, etc.) and are taking on new roles as businesspeople (accounting, advertising, social networking, resource management, etc.).

We invite graduate students, faculty, and professionals in the field to submit proposals to present current research, papers, publications, skill-building workshops, updates on the state of our industry, and any other contributions you feel may advance the dialogue and movement toward professionalization.

All sessions will be conducted via the webinar platform GoToWebinar. This platform does not require any special software. Technical assistance will be provided to all presenters. Presentations may be imparted "in-person" with a webcam and microphone along with any Power Point presentation or other written documents and so no travel is required. All presentation dates for 2018 will occur during the third (3rd) week of each month and specific dates will be arranged with presenters once their proposals have been accepted. Each presenter will receive an honorarium from MATI for \$100 upon completion of the webinar.

All webinars are open to the general public and made available to MATI members at a discounted rate. They will be promoted through partner organizations, including the ATA, and attendees will earn 1 CEU/hour from relevant organizations that require continuing education for maintaining certification.

To be considered as a webinar presenter, please submit a brief abstract (maximum 300 words) of your presentation and a short biographical paragraph via email by **Friday December 15th, 2017** to: matiemail@gmail.com, with the subject line: "Webinar Proposal." Each accepted submission will receive a response by late December, 2016.