



BSL First Fee Waiver – Terms and Conditions

1. The BSL First Fee Waiver is available to deaf people from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) backgrounds only who are applying for the Deaf Interpreter Development Programme.
2. The Fee Waiver cannot be used for any other programme.
3. The Fee Waiver is competitive and recognises outstanding academic or professional potential.
4. In order to be eligible for the fee waiver:
 - a. You are a native or first language British Sign Language (BSL) signer. This means that you use BSL as your main language every day.
 - b. You received all of education in the UK (e.g. deaf or mainstream school).
 - c. You have an undergraduate degree from a UK university in any subject.
 - d. You have an excellent level of written English (C1/C2 of CEFR), including the ability to understand complex and academic texts.
 - e. You have exceptional BSL skills, including the ability to modify your own language to a wide range of audiences and settings.
 - f. You have a commitment and passion for the British deaf community and you are actively involved in the British deaf community.
 - g. Previous experience of interpreting, translation or language brokering is desirable.
5. The Fee Waiver will only be offered if there are at least 8 fee-paying students enrolled on the module, which is the minimum number of students required for the module to be financially viable.
6. Only 1 Fee Waiver will be offered per cohort.

7. Applicants must submit a completed application form, cover letter, CV and any other relevant documentation in order to be considered for the Fee Waiver.
8. All applicants will be formally assessed at the interview. The interview panel and Managing Director will make the final decision on the recipient of the Fee Waiver.
9. The Managing Director reserves the right to make a final decision on the award, to revoke the award or to cancel the award at any time.
10. The Fee Waiver will be revoked in the event that the applicant has been untruthful at any point during the application process. The applicant will then be required to pay the cost of the course in full.
11. The fee waiver is available for RSLI or RSLT streams only. It cannot be used to gain both RSLI and RSLT status. However, candidates may pay the fee for the additional module required to gain RSLI or RSLT. This means:

Stream	Eligible for Fee Waiver?
Level 6 BSL (Foundation year)	No – £1000 payable
BSL/ASL Interpreter (RSLI)	Yes
Deaf Relay Interpreter (RSLI)	Yes
BSL/English Translator (RSLT)	Yes
Deaf Relay Interpreter and BSL/English Translator (RSLI and RSLT)	No – additional £1980 payable

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Application Form

Programme
Deaf Interpreter Development Programme

PERSONAL DETAILS:	
SURNAME/FAMILY NAME/LAST NAME	
FIRST NAME	
MIDDLE NAME(S)	
TITLE (Mr/Miss/Mrs/Ms)	
DATE OF BIRTH (day/month/year)	
GENDER	

PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS	CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT)
City:	City:
Postcode (if applicable):	Postcode (if applicable):
Country:	Country:
Telephone No:	Telephone No:
E-mail Address:	

COUNTRY OF BIRTH *	
NATIONALITY *	
COUNTRY OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE *	

COVER LETTER

Please provide a separate cover letter, in English, including the following information:

- Your motivation for wanting to take part in the programme
- Your skills and experiences
- Your expectations on the programme

CV

Please provide a separate copy of your current CV.

QUALIFICATIONS

Please list all your qualifications.

We may ask you to provide copies of your certificates and relevant transcripts for any qualifications listed. Scans or clear full colour photos are accepted.

Name of the awarding institution	Title of Qualification (e.g. BA Honours in English)	Grade awarded (e.g. 2.1)	Date of Award

LEVEL OF ATTAINMENT IN ENGLISH

If English is not your native language, we require proof of an **English language qualification** equivalent to 7.0 at IELTS, C1 of the CEFR or Grade C in GCSE English.

Formal Qualifications in English (e.g. GCSE)	Grade	Date

DECLARATION (read carefully and sign)

1. I confirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information given in this application is complete and accurate.
2. I understand and accept that the information contained in this application will be logged on a computer database and that it may be passed to concerned third parties for the purpose of processing and considering my application.
2. I understand and accept that BSL First may use my personal data in accordance with its Data Protection Policy, and other applicable data protection laws, including GDPR legislation.
3. I understand and accept that if offered a Fee Waiver award by BSL First, I must complete any and all conditions for this offer prior to the agreed start date of the programme, and must not attend classes without receiving an unconditional offer, and completing enrolment.
4. I understand and accept that there is no option to defer or transfer the Fee Waiver award.
5. I understand that if I provide false or misleading information then BSL First reserves the right to revoke or cancel my Fee Waiver and I will be liable to pay for the full cost of the course.

Signed:

Date:

WHEN YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR APPLICATION FORM PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

Akbar Sikder: akbar.sikder@bslfirst.com