

# TRANSPERFECT LINGUIST CERTIFICATION (TLC) PROGRAM

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That same commitment  
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**THE TRANSPERFECT LINGUIST CERTIFICATION (TLC) PROGRAM** was designed to serve the interests of clients with specialized needs for translation and interpretation. Benefits include:

- Over 80 subject-specific tests to ensure projects are assigned to linguists with in-depth knowledge of the relevant industry
- Validation of linguists' qualifications from a reliable and accountable source
- Continuous assessment and enhancement of translators' linguistic competence
- Assurance of linguists' understanding of professional ethics, protocols, and specialized terminology for a variety of fields
- Minimization of liability by ensuring the highest quality of linguistic resources

The first stage of Certification requires linguists to meet or exceed the following requirements, which are verified by our Linguistic Resources Coordinator as part of the initial screening:

- Candidate must be a native speaker of the target language in question
- Candidate must provide proof of educational background and experience:
  - College degree in translation or interpretation and 5 years of experience, or
  - College degree and 7 years of professional experience in translation or interpretation
- Candidate must have documented translation experience in their area of specialization
- Candidate must provide 3 references, at least one of which must be from an end client
- Candidate must have maintained residency (equal to or greater than 3 months, not necessarily consecutive) in their native country within the past 5 years

Once these prerequisites are met, each candidate is taken through a series of assessments intended to measure their degree of professionalism, comprehension of ethics, and proficiency in translation or interpretation in specific languages and fields.

Having passed the initial screening and performance assessment, linguists are required to maintain their Certification by partaking in TransPerfect's educational offerings. A series of six web-based seminars are offered each year. Each TransPerfect linguist is required to attend at least one of these webinars.

Recognized as one of the industry's most selective and respected certifications, the TLC program currently holds a 12% pass rate for linguistic experts and a 6% pass rate for highly technical specialists. TransPerfect's dedication to superior quality goes hand in hand with our commitment to upholding the integrity of our business, our employees, and our freelance service providers.

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