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This project examines how Cultural Intelligence impacts interpreters and their interpreting product. Cultural Intelligence (CQ) is divided into four different dimensions that revolve around culture. These four dimensions are as follows, Metacognitive, Cognitive, Motivational, and Behavioral. Each of these dimensions reviews where a person falls on their ability to adapt to different cultures and culturally influenced situations they may encounter. American Sign Language Interpreters work a variety of cultures on a daily basis as they work to interpret not only language but also the culture behind the language.

Cultures play an important role in developing meaning and intent behind languages both spoken and signed, as well as facial expressions. Interpreters are tasked with understanding these meanings and be able to fully interpret them. In this research project, we will seek to study the connections between culture and comprehension as well as how having a high cultural intelligence can support a higher comprehension level for ASL Interpreters. This research will analyze the relations between culture as it relates to language, cultural intelligence and how it relates to comprehension, how cultural intelligence affects workplaces, and how culture affects individuals. Through these various areas of study, we will seek to theorize how having a higher
cultural intelligence could be beneficial to ASL Interpreters as well as where further studies on this topic could branch out to.