

2025 Certification Calendar of Events

Step 1-Webinars	Step 2- Oral Proficiency Interviews (OPI)	Step 3- Written Exam	Step 4- 2-Day In-Person Orientation	Step 5- Oral Exam
<p>Prerequisite: None Cost: Free</p> <p>To begin the certification process, you must view 3 webinars produced by the Office of the Executive Secretary at Supreme Court of Virginia.</p> <p>Visit the Program Information and Registration page to begin the process.</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Webinars</p> <p>Candidate must provide scores for an OPI <u>testing both speaking and listening skills in English and the non-English language(s).</u></p> <p>These are the allowable tests and required minimum scores:</p> <p>-International English Language Testing (IELTS): Band 7</p> <p>Versant English Test (VET): 49</p> <p>TOEFL iBT listening: 17 TOEFL iBT speaking: 20</p> <p>Language Testing International (LTI)-ACTFL Scale: Advanced High</p> <p>Alta OPI- 9</p>	<p>Prerequisite: OPI Cost: \$125</p> <p>Exam Registration Dates: December 11-until full June 9-until full</p> <p>Exam Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Chesapeake, VA: Capacity: 20 January 13, 2025 July 14, 2025</p> <p>Hanover, VA: Capacity: 40 January 14, 2025 July 15, 2025</p> <p>Blacksburg, VA: Capacity: 30 January 15, 2025 July 16, 2025</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 30 January 16, 2025 July 17, 2025</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Written Exam Cost: \$225</p> <p>Orientation Registration Dates: February 10-until full August 18-until full</p> <p>Orientation Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Hanover, VA: Capacity: 40 March 31- April 1, 2025 October 6-October 7, 2025</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 40 April 2- April 3, 2025 October 8-October 9, 2025</p>	<p>Prerequisite: Orientation Cost: \$225-\$600 language dependent</p> <p>Oral Exam Registration Dates: February 10-until full August 18-until full</p> <p>Oral Exam Dates and Locations:</p> <p>Hanover, VA: Capacity: 14 March 31- April 1, 2025 October 6-October 7, 2025</p> <p>Warrenton, VA: Capacity: 14 April 2- April 3, 2025 October 8-October 9, 2025</p>

*Dates and locations are subject to change.

**Seating is limited for steps 3-5: registration is on a first come first serve basis, giving preference to in-state residents.

***Candidates who began the certification process prior to 2025 may register for the step they are currently eligible to complete.