

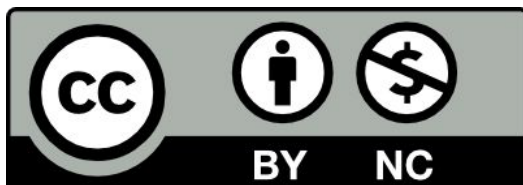


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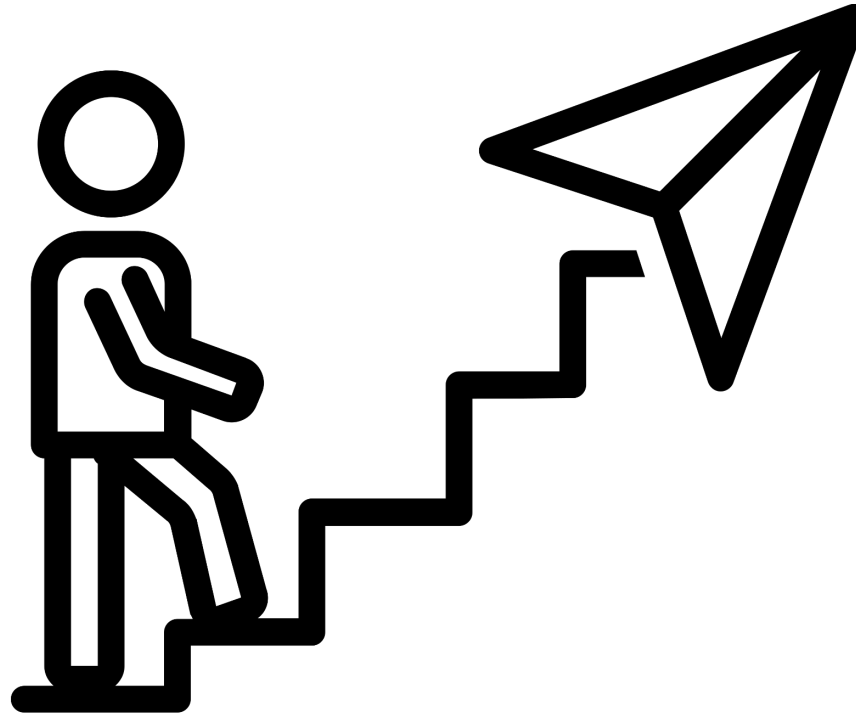
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# Module 5: Next Steps



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# Overview & Objectives

**Overview:** In this module, participants will reflect on the APP process and determine their next steps toward professional credentials.

## Learning Outcomes and Objectives

**Upon Completion of this module participants will be able to:**

1. Formulate a short and long-term plan for obtaining RID certification.

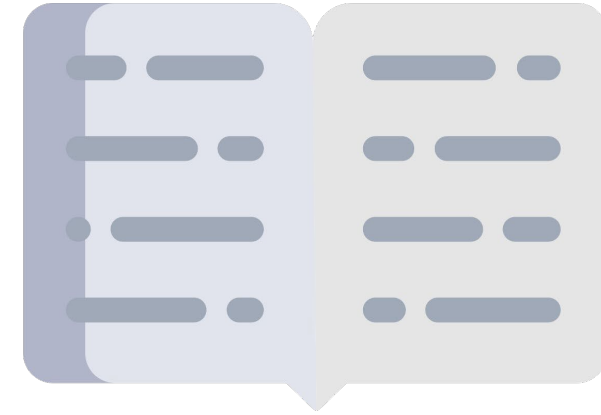


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# Introduction

The journey towards RID national certification can not be done alone. This module will provide you with further guidance on resources available to assist you in preparing for the CASLI Generalist Knowledge and Generalist Performance exams.



# Preparing for RID National Certification, Part I

As shared in the Orientation module to obtain RID certification one must;

1. satisfy CASLI's [eligibility to test requirements](#),
2. satisfy RID's educational requirement and,
3. pass the [Center for the Assessment of Sign Language Interpretation \(CASLI\)](#) Generalist Knowledge and Generalist Performance exams.

CASLI is the organization that develops and administers interpreting exams. Once you have passed the exams you are on your way towards RID national certification.

To maintain RID certification one must;

1. be a current certified member of RID,
2. maintain the required [Continuing Education Units \(CEUs\)](#) and,
3. adhere their interpreting practice to the [Code of Professional Conduct](#).

# Preparing for RID National Certification, Part II

Below are resources to get you started on your journey towards RID national certification.

1. **[CASLI Generalist Knowledge Exam](#)**: You will need to pass this exam first, before taking the Generalist Performance portion of the exam. Review the information from CASLI regarding the domains of what the test covers and its list of recommended preparation materials. Aligning with CASLI's recommended reading list, IRIS has developed a document (posted in Canvas) pointing you to the online location of these reading materials. Many of these materials are available to you at no cost via the [UNC Library](#) as an electronic resource. We recommend that you take full advantage of these resources while you still have access to these materials as an IRIS participant. Upon conclusion of the grant you will no longer have access to the UNC Library.
2. **[CASLI Generalist Performance Exam](#)**: This is the second portion of the CASLI exam. IRIS has partnered with the [CATIE Center's Dive In Stepping Stones program](#) to give you access to their Performance exam preparation materials. The CATIE Center will be offering its self-directed CASLI Generalist Performance exam preparation course in May 2025. Be sure to [subscribe to the CATIE Center's mailing list](#) to receive registration information.



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# Canvas Discussion: Other Resources?



**NOTE:** You have to log into Canvas to complete this assignment

Are you aware of other resources that have successfully supported people in taking the CASLI exams? If so, share them here. If you are not aware of any additional resources, review the posting of your colleagues and respond by sharing how you might incorporate these into your exam preparations.



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# Canvas Discussion: Certification Goals



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Describe your next steps for following through in obtaining RID national certification in both the short (next one year) and long (next 5 years) term.

This could include your plans in preparing for and taking the CASLI Generalist Knowledge exam and your plans to prepare for and take the CASLI Generalist Performance exam. In your description provide detail on how you will achieve these goals.





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# Synchronous Session



This module **requires your attendance** at a synchronous session. Your facilitator will share the exact details of the date and time of this session.



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# Congratulations!



This journey would not have been complete without your contributions to your community of learning (COL). All of your hard work and growth over these past few months are remarkable. As you continue onward towards national certification lean into your colleagues and ethical support communities you have built here in IRIS. We wish you much success moving forward!



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