

New York approves MA degree program in Translation & Interpreting

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New York, NY – RIUSS, the Research Institute of United States Spanish, is pleased to report that New York State has approved a Master of Arts in Translation and Interpreting program for Chinese, Russian and Spanish to be taught at Hunter College (CUNY). Hunter is now the second institution of higher learning in New York City to offer such a program. It is scheduled to begin in September 2020.

Maria Cornelio, a founding member of RIUSS and Coordinator of the Bachelor's Degree Spanish Major Concentration in Translation and Interpretation at Hunter, collaborated with Hunter colleagues in the Chinese and Russian divisions to design and submit the proposal for the new Master's Degree program.

Maria, who has an extensive background in translation in the health care field, teaches introductory and advanced general translation courses and medical translation in the BA program. She will also teach a Medical Spanish Translation course in the new Masters program during the Spring 2021 term.

"We are delighted that Hunter will begin this program," said Leticia Molinero, President of RIUSS. "We are also proud of María Cornelio's role in securing State approval and pleased that she will teach Medical Spanish translation in the Master program next year."

Since its founding in 2015, RIUSS has been a staunch advocate for improved Spanish language translation and interpretation in health care. Most recently, it has advocated collaboration with a US-centered Medical Spanish task force that includes experts from around the U.S. and other countries.

An independent research organization, RIUSS focuses on filling a gap in research on written communication in Spanish in the United States. Its user-centered linguistic research is its unique contribution to equity as a fundamental social value.

Applying big data mining and other analytic tools, RIUSS research aims at enabling effective communication with more engaged and responsive readers. Its goals are supported by a distinguished team of linguists, translators and other experts.

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