



Education for Everyone:

Unlock Opportunity with Accessible Communication

Education is a building block to create the best version of ourselves. An accessible and inclusive learning environment prepares all students to grow to their full potential, better understand the world, and overcome challenges.

Realities for Students



15%
of children aged 6–19
have hearing loss ¹

Undiagnosed hearing loss in children often mimics
learning or behavioral problems ³

>85%
of Deaf and
hard-of-hearing
students now attend
mainstream schools

>20%
in their
grandparents' time ⁴

3% - 5%
of children

Have auditory processing
disorder, which affects the way
they interpret
sounds and
understand
what they hear ²



Diverging Demographics



>20% of
the U.S. population
uses a language other than English at home ⁵

**6% of
total
enrollment**



in the U.S. in the 2023–2024 academic
year was international students — the
highest number in history ⁶

Hispanic student enrollment in fall
of 2023 made up

18%
of U.S. undergrads
with a projection in the next five
years to increase by
21% ^{7 8 9}



>20%
college students
identify as
neurodiverse ¹⁰

Academic Performance

50%
of classroom instruction:
the amount a student may miss with even
mild hearing loss ¹¹



25% – 35%
of students with hearing loss are at risk of
needing to repeat at least one grade ¹²



6% gap
between high school
graduation rate of
Deaf students and
hearing students



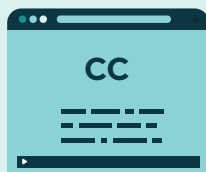
15% gap
in completion of a
two-year or four-year
degree between Deaf
and hearing students ¹³

Meeting Challenges with Accessibility Solutions

Since the enactment of ADA
accessibility mandates, Deaf
and hard-of-hearing college
enrollment grew at

ADA
ACCESSIBILITY

10x the rate of their peers ¹⁴



Foreign language students using
captions experienced

**19% better listening
comprehension** ¹⁶



Deaf students with access to ASL
interpreting for their courses

**understand
80% more** ¹⁵

Student use of captions, regardless
of hearing ability, led to

**7.2%
higher grades** ¹⁷



Inclusive Communication, Made Simple

**One-stop
solution**

for interpreting,
captioning, translation,
and transcription



Easy to implement

across classrooms,
events, and
student services



**Unmatched
ASL coverage**

and decades of
experience ensure
your tools drive real results



Sorenson makes every learning environment accessible. Get started today:
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Give every student a chance to succeed with accessible communication solutions. Sorenson can support you with interpreting, captioning, and translation services.

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