



Cueing Advocacy Units and/or Education (CAUsE)

Requirement: 15 hours over three years

Acquiring three Cueing Advocacy Units and/or Education (CAUsE) over a three year period is required to maintain certification as an Instructor of Cued Speech. Units may be obtained through a variety of activities that advocate for Cued Speech or you may continue your own education in an area relating to Cued Speech or deafness/learning disabilities in general. Below you will find some examples of activities that can count toward your CAUsE acceptable activities include but are not limited to:

- a) **Instructional Level Units (at least 12 hours required)** include, but are not limited to, teaching a Cued Speech workshop, presenting on Cued Speech, advocating for a family regarding CS, etc. Each one hour spent in these activities equals 1 hour.
- b) **Cueing Level Units (up to 3 hours)** include, but are not limited to, writing an article on Cued Speech, volunteering on a Cued Speech Board/Association, attending Cues on Tap, attending a cue camp, taking an intermediate or advanced level CS course (expressive, receptive or transliterating), cueing on the job (as a speech pathologist, teacher of the deaf, transliterating, etc.), posting about CS on listservs, etc. Each hour spent participating in these activities equals 1 hour.
- c) **General Level Units (up to 3 hours)** include, but are not limited to, general deafness professional activities such as taking an ASL or linguistics class, attending a professional conference related to deafness, speech, or communication (Alexander Graham Bell Association, National Association of the Deaf, ASHA, etc.), etc. Each hour spent participating in these activities equals 1 hour.

A list of your activities must be submitted to the InsCert Chair using the following form one month prior to the expiration of your certification. Although no proof of your activity is required at the time of submission, you must sign the form stating that the information included is accurate. Proof of any of your activity may be requested in order to accept CAUsE for maintenance. Please feel free to include more hours than are needed. The InsCert committee would like to keep apprised of the myriad ways our instructors are reaching out to teach Cued Speech.

Sample fulfillment of requirements for certification from 7/1/09 – 6/30/12

Activity	Location	Date(s)	Total Hours
Instructional Level Units (at least 12 hours required)			
taught 12 hour beginner CS class	Bethesda, MD	9/24-25/09	12
staffed NCSA booth at ASHA	Atlanta, GA	Nov. 2010	16
		Subtotal	28
Cueing Level Units (up to 3 hours)			
participated in Auditory Neuropathy listserv	online	July 09 - June 12	2
		Subtotal	2
General Level Units (up to 3 hours)			
took ASL class	College Park, MD	Sept -Dec 2010	18
		Subtotal	18
		Total CAUsE	48