# IN-PERSON LIVE CAPTIONING GUIDELINES

Live captioning is an approved accommodation that allows Deaf and hard of hearing students to receive a real time captioning service of the information being spoken into a microphone via their laptop. Below are guidelines regarding how to facilitate live captioning in-person. For questions and technical support, please contact Amanda Jackson at accommodations@ufsa.ufl.edu.

### **SCHEDULE & SET UP**



- Schedule live captioning sessions at least a week in advance.
- Cancel sessions at least 48 hours prior to the session.
- Allow 10-15 minutes to set up & testing equipment (microphone, personal laptop, receiver, etc.)
- Ensure the room has high quality WIFI
- Check room acoustics (limited to no echo)

## **FACILITATION**



- Speak clearly and at a typical pace
- Reduce background noise ex: shuffling papers, whispering, or movement
- Utilize turn-taking so only one individual speaks at a time
- Repeat questions and comments

## **EQUIPMENT**



- Presenter Based: Revolab xTag Single Microphone to be worn on the collar of the speaker
- Discussion Based: Omni Directional Snowball Microphone to be placed in the center of all speakers (the closer to the speaker, the better)



## ONLINE LIVE CAPTIONING GUIDELINES

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### **EDIT ZOOM.US SETTINGS**



- Log into <u>Zoom.us</u> with your Gatorlink credentials
- Click on the Settings button to navigate to the Meeting tab
  - Edit the "Only authenticated users can join" to include \*.ufl.edu,
     \*.verbit.ai domains
  - Enable "closed captioning"
  - o Enable "Show a 'Join from your browser' link"

## **SCHEDULING & SET UP**



- Schedule live captioning sessions at least a week in advance.
- Cancel sessions at least 48 hours prior to the session.
- Email the DRC the recurring Zoom meeting ID, passcode, and link with the dates/times of sessions
- Allow 10-15 minutes to set up & testing equipment
- Ensure the room has high quality WIFI
- Check room acoustics (limited to no echo)

### **FACILITATION**



- Speak clearly and at a typical pace into a headset microphone
- Reduce background noise ex: shuffling papers, whispering, or movement
- Utilize turn-taking via the hand raising feature so only one individual speaks at a time
- Repeat questions and comments
- Place the captioner in the breakout room with the student that needs live captioning

