

“Communication In the Workplace” series

Devin Rosetreter will be our guest speaker on Jan. 29th for our “Communication in the Workplace” series. He currently works as a Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor at the Pittsburgh Office of Rehabilitation. He brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our students regarding how to be successful and communicate efficiently and effectively in the work environment. Please read below his bio.

Biography by Devin Rosentreter

Now entering my sixth year working for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the Pittsburgh Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. I work for an agency that provides services for individuals with disabilities who can benefit from and who need assistance to prepare for, enter, engage in, or retain employment. I specialize in working with the Deaf and hard of hearing population.

I graduated from Northern Illinois University in 2009 with a master’s degree in rehabilitation counseling with a specialized focus on Deaf and hard of hearing population. I am involved with several volunteer and advocacy services during my free time. I am also involved with the behavioral health for Deaf task force to improve services in the Allegheny county. I taught American Sign Language at the community college of Allegheny county (CCAC) the last two and half years.

I grew up in a hearing family where all members knew ASL, and they helped me appreciate the value of communication and my personal identity as a Deaf person. They also taught me to never give up when I face difficult times while growing up. That support from my family helped me become the person I am today, a person who has a desire to advocate for the Deaf population on better communication access and services while at the same time working with other advocates to link the Deaf population into the hearing world.

My hobbies includes riding my bike, reading books, being involved with fantasy sports leagues, and teaching my seven month son old sign language. My favorite quote is “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much” by Helen Keller.