

Collection of Experiences

The following is a quote from one student's section on hearing impairments for the Collection of Experiences and shows how technology addresses learner needs.

“We were fortunate to have Sarah, a student at Hope College with a hearing impairment speak to our class. As with our experiences with other speakers it was a time to get a very personal insight into a world that I may well not have been able to ever understand.

Sarah uses technology called [realtime captioning](#), which is essentially the same as court reporting to “take” notes in class. Her captioner uses a stenotype machine connected to a laptop to provide Sarah a method of following conversation and classroom discussion. I did some research on the Internet and found websites relating to [closed captioning](#) and [realtime text experts](#).”