LAS 6292: RESOURCES FOR TRANSCRIPTION & TRANSLATION

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Translation

Upload (Free)

- 1. Google Translate and help documents.
- 2. DeepL

Upload (Limited Free + Paid)

- Otter.ai. English only; free (600 min/mo) and paid plans. Can transcribe zoom meetings (e.g., if you do interviews via zoom) and can integrate with Dropbox. Phone app is available for iOS
- 2. Happy Scribe. 40+ languages. 30 min. free then paid; student pricing available. Can integrate with Zapier to up/download files from Google Drive and Dropbox
- 3. Temi. English Only, less accurate than Otter.ai and Happy Scribe.
- 4. Spext. Speech-audio-text editing; free and paid plans.
- 5. Online demi version of Watson; note the "detect multiple speakers" option.
- 6. Translate Shell
- 7. Comparison Video

via API (free, paid)

- 1. googleLanguageR. Uses the Google Cloud machine learning APIs for text and speech tasks. The Cloud Translation API does detection and translation of text.
- 2. aws.translate uses the Amazon Web Services to do transcription via API. Has program for NGO/non-profits.
- 3. translate Another translator via Google API
- 4. translateR Yet another translator via Google API.
- 5. Watson (IBM) 500 minutes free

- 6. DeepL
- 7. Translate Shell via API
- 8. Zoom

Manual Transolation with Computer Assisted Technology (CAT) Software

- 1. A video overview of different tools Tools
- 2. OmegaT CAT Software. Free software
- 3. WordFast Anywhere is free, online (desktop version are paid)
- 4. Across.net. Basic version is free

Translation Resources

- 1. Linguee Good for slang and expressions; searches different ways in which one word has been translated. Can also enter several words or even a sentence to find different translations.
- 2. Thesaurus.com; equivalent in foreign language.
- 3. Side-by-Side Text Comparison Website

Audio Transcription

Automated via upload (limited free, paid)

- 2. Otter.ai and online tutorial
- 3. Amazon Transcribe

Automated via API (paid)

- 1. transcribeR uses HP IDOL OnDemand's Speech Recognition API. You can read a tutorial here
- 2. googleLanguageR. Uses the Google Cloud machine learning APIs for text and speech tasks. The Cloud Speech API transcribes sound files to text and the Cloud Text-to-Speech AP
- 3. AWS transcribe uses the Amazon Web Services to do transcription via API. Has program for NGO/non-profits.

Manual via software (free, paid)

- 1. oTranscribe Incredibly easy, web based, with time stamps, variable speed.
- 2. Express Scribe [Transcription Software]https://www.nch.com.au/scribe/index.html) and a tutorial. There is a free version.

- 3. Transcribe
- 4. Nvivo
- 5. Listen N Write
- 6. InScribe

Text Transcription (via dictation)

- 1. Google Docs
- 2. SpeechNotes

Resources & Tools

- 1. Guide to capturing and processing images for archiving
- 2. Examples of Transcription Notes
 - Sample 1
 - Sample 2
- 3. Guide to Transcription Coding
- 4. Style Guides
 - Samuel Proctor Project Style Guide
 - Library of Congress Transcription Guide
 - Smithsonian Archives of American Art Style Guide
 - Smithsonian Volunteer Transcription Program Guide and Expert Tips
- 5. Foot Pedals
 - Infinity
 - Kinesis
- 6. Text Shortcuts
 - Google Docs
 - MS Word

Sources and Useful Reading

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