LANGUAGES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

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Languages Offered
The Department of Modern & Classical Languages, Literatures & Cultures offers the following languages: Arabic (AIS) ♦ Chinese (CHI) ♦ Classics (CLA): Ancient Greek & Latin ♦ French (FR) ♦ German (GER) ♦ Hebrew (HJS) ♦ Italian (ITA) ♦ Japanese (JPN) ♦ Russian (RUS).

The Department of Hispanic Studies offers Spanish (SPA).

Placement Procedures and Contact Information
Students who are native speakers of the language are not eligible to take language courses at UK. Students need to take placement tests only if they have studied/spoken the language before (formally or informally). Students who wish to take a new language they have never studied or spoken should sign up for the beginning-level course (101, with the exception of Ancient Greek, which is CLA 151. Beginning Latin is CLA 101). **For all placement tests, students are required to present photo ID.**

Arabic
- Contact: Prof. Ghadir Zannoun, ghadir.zannoun@uky.edu
- Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. It is offered most weekdays from 8:30-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. To schedule the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Katie Holzhause (Katie.Holzhause@uky.edu, 859.257.3761, POT 1055). Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
  - 3: AIS 102
  - 4: AIS 102, 201
  - 5: AIS 102, 201, 202

Classics: Ancient Greek & Latin
- Contact: Prof. Valerio Caldesi Valeri, vcaldesiv@uky.edu
- Contact Prof. Caldesi Valeri no later than the first week of classes to schedule a placement test in Greek or Latin. This test consists of discussing previous coursework students have completed as well as translating a passage into English.
- (Latin) AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
  - 3: CLA 101, 102
  - 4: CLA 201, 202
  - 5: CLA 201, 202, 302

Chinese
- Contact: Prof. Wei Jiang, jiang.wei@uky.edu
- Placement in Chinese requires a two-part test:
  - Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. It is offered most weekdays from 8:30-11:00

a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. To schedule the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Katie Holzhause (Katie.Holzhause@uky.edu, 859.257.3761, POT 1055). Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
  - o Then, students must also contact Prof. Jiang to set up an oral interview before classes start. Students will be placed on the basis of both the AAPPL test and the interview.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
  - o 3: CHI 102
  - o 4: CHI 102, 201
  - o 5: CHI 102, 201, 202

French
- Contact: Prof. Julie Human, julie.human@uky.edu
- Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. It is offered most weekdays from 8:30-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. To schedule the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Katie Holzhause (Katie.Holzhause@uky.edu, 859.257.3761, POT 1055). Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
  - o 3-4: FR 202, FR 214
  - o 5: FR 311, 350

German
- Contact: Prof. Brenna Byrd, brennabyrd@uky.edu
- Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. It is offered most weekdays from 8:30-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. To schedule the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Katie Holzhause Katie.Holzhause@uky.edu, 859.257.3761, POT 1055). Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
  - o 3: GER 201
  - o 4: GER 201, 202
  - o 5: GER 201, 202, 307

Hebrew
- Contact: Prof. Daniel Frese, daniel.frese@uky.edu
- Contact Prof. Frese before the beginning of classes to schedule a placement test. Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test, which will include written portion and an oral interview.

Italian
- Contact: Prof. Ioana Larco, ioana.larco@uky.edu

- Contact Prof. Larco before the beginning of classes to schedule a placement test. Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test, which will include a written assessment of reading and writing and a short interview for speaking and listening.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
    - 3: ITA 201
    - 4-5: ITA 201, 202

Japanese
- Contact: Prof. Atsushi Hasegawa, ahasegawa@uky.edu.
- The Japanese placement test is offered once per semester. Fall 2017: August 24 (Thursday) at 5:00 p.m., in Whitehall CB 207. The test takes approximately 2 hours.
- General guidelines for which course students should attend during the first week of classes prior to taking the placement test:
    - 1 year of high school Japanese or self-taught: JPN 101
    - 2-3 years of high school Japanese: JPN 201
    - 4 or more years of high school Japanese: JPN 301
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
    - 3: JPN 201
    - 4: JPN 201, 202
    - 5: JPN 201, 202, 301

Russian
- Contact: Prof. Cynthia Ruder, Cynthia.Ruder@uky.edu
- Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. It is offered most weekdays from 8:30-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-3:30 p.m. To schedule the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Katie Holzhause (Katie.Holzhause@uky.edu, 859.257.3761, POT 1055). Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
- AP Credit (Student will place into the course following the final course listed below; if credit is awarded for 202 or a higher-level course, language requirement is completed):
    - 3: RUS 201
    - 4: RUS 201, 202
    - 5: RUS 201, 202, 301

Spanish
- **Contacts**:
    - Placements into 101/103 through 202/203: Academic Coordinator, Prof. Ruth Brown, ruth.brown@uky.edu
    - Placements into 210, 211 or 300-level courses: Director of Undergraduate Studies, Prof. Heather Campbell-Speltz, heather.campbellspeltz@uky.edu

- Students with prior experience in the language must take the AAPPL placement test, and should do so prior to the beginning of classes. This includes bilingual and heritage-speaker students. To schedule the test, send an email to the Hispanic Studies department manager, Brent Sebastian (bseba2@email.uky.edu or 859-257-1565), including times that you are available during regular business hours. Please allow at least 1.5 hours to take the test.
- **General guidelines for placing students:**
  - We have updated score ranges on AAPPL. Students who took AAPPL prior to Merit Weekends 2018 are encouraged to enroll based on the new rubric. If they would like us to honor the old scoring rubric, please have them contact the department (bseba2@email.uky.edu or 859-257-1565)
  - Students who score at the lower end of placement score ranges should be advised to drop down one level.
- **Top score '20' on AAPPL** completes the language requirement.
  - Students who score '20' should be advised to enroll in 211 and/or 210 as both are pre-requisites for all 300-level courses required for the major and minor.
  - Bilingual, heritage-speaker, or Spanish immersion students who score '20' should be advised to take SPA 215 "Written Spanish for Bilingual Students" instead of 211/210, saving them one course on their way to a minor or major.
    - This class is controlled enrollment, contact department for override (bseba2@email.uky.edu or 859-257-1565)
    - Those who cannot fit 215 into their schedule should contact the DUS to seek a waiver for 211 and then go ahead and enroll in 210
- **AP Credit** (if student scores a 3 or higher, language requirement is completed):
  - Spanish **Language and Culture**: depending on score these students may receive credit for 211 and/or 210, but these classes fill quickly so it is best to register and then drop later after score is received.
    - 1-2: Take placement test
    - 3: enroll in 210 and/or 211 (heritage/bilingual enroll into 215 or contact DUS)
    - 4: enroll in 211 (heritage/bilingual contact DUS for possible waiver)
    - 5: enroll in 300-level course (recommended to start with 310)
  - Spanish **Literature and Culture**: still need to take SPA 210 and 211 regardless of score
    - 1-2: Take placement test
    - 3, 4, or 5: enroll in 210 and/or 211 (heritage/bilingual enroll into 215 or contact DUS)
- **IB Credit** (if credit is awarded for Spanish B or higher, language requirement is completed):
  - SL (AB initio or Spanish AB): enroll in 201
  - SL Spanish B or HL: enroll in 300-level course (recommended to start with 310)

Options for Meeting Language Requirement with Languages Not Taught at UK
Students who want to satisfy the language requirement in a language not taught at the University of Kentucky may take a proficiency test for this purpose. There are proficiency tests available for several languages. A list of those languages can be found below. Tests are offered twice a year, on the second Friday in October and on the first Friday in March, between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.
Before arranging for a test, students must consult with their College or Departmental advisor about the policy for proficiency testing as a means to satisfy the language requirement in their majors. Students

must register and pay all fees for the tests at least three weeks before the date they intend to take the test. The student is responsible for paying all costs associated with the test.

If you have questions about the test, contact MCLLC department manager, Liliana Drucker (lilo@uky.edu, 859.257.5723, POT 1057). To register for the test, there is an on-line form, available on the MCLLC website (http://mcl.as.uky.edu/language-test-sign-form). Please note: **You should contact your academic advisor BEFORE scheduling a test**, and/ or if you have questions about satisfying the foreign language requirement. You may find your academic advisor through MyUK.

The following tests from Brigham Young University are available (fee for any one of these tests is $50, payable to BYU):

Afrikaans	Greek	Norwegian
Albanian	Guarani	Polish
Armenian	Haitian Creole	Portuguese-Brazilian
Aymara	Hmong	Portuguese-Continental
Bulgarian	Hungarian	Quechua
Cakchiquel	Icelandic	Rarotongan
Cambodian	Ilonggo/Hiligaynon	Romanian
Cantonese	Indonesian	Samoan
Cebuano	Korean	Serbian and Croatian
Czech	Latvian	Swedish
Danish	Lithuanian	Tagalog
Dutch	Malagasy	Tahitian
Estonian	Mandarin	Thai
Farsi-Persian	Maori-New Zealand	Tongan
Fijian	Mongolian	Ukrainian
Finnish	Navajo	Vietnamese
		Welsh

The Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures Department can also proctor foreign language achievement tests offered by **Penn Language Center at the University of Pennsylvania** in languages below. The fee for the test is $150, payable to U. Penn. Penn may require an oral interview as part of the test:

ASL	Kannada	Taiwanese
Amharic	Malayalam	Tamil
Bengali	Oshiwambo	Telugu
Gujarati	Panjabi	Turkish
Hausa	Pashto	Twi
Igbo	Persian	Urdu
Indi	Shona	Wolof
Irish Gaelic	Swahili	Yoruba
		Zulu