

## 2022-2023 Second Language Placement Guide

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**IWU requires the following semesters of second language for graduation:**

B.A. and B.S. – third semester proficiency	B.M.E. – none
B.F.A. – second semester proficiency	B.S.N. – none
B.M. – second semester proficiency	

### ***IMPORTANT NOTE***

*Recognition of proficiency does NOT equate to receiving course unit credit. IWU does not grant course unit or degree credit as a result of placement exams. However, since the General Education requirement in this area is a proficiency requirement rather than a course unit requirement, the second language requirement alone can be satisfied in this way.*

### ***PLACEMENT BY AP TEST SCORES***

A score of **4 or 5** on the respective AP language test (NOT English) means that the student has met the Second Language General Education requirement *AND* that one course unit of credit will be granted.

#### **AP score guidelines for Chinese, French, Japanese and Spanish:**

##### **CHINESE:**

- AP score of **4 or 5** – you have satisfied the language requirement
- AP score of **3** – enroll in CHIN 201\*\*

##### **FRENCH:**

- AP score of **4 or 5** – you have satisfied the language requirement
- AP score of **3** – enroll in French 201\*\*

##### **JAPANESE:**

- AP score of **4 or 5** – you have satisfied the language requirement
- AP of **3** – enroll in Japanese 201\*\*

##### **SPANISH:**

- AP score of **5** – your language requirement is met, but if you would like to continue studying Spanish, start in Spanish 303 or 230\*\*
- AP score of **4** – your language requirement is met, but if you would like to continue studying Spanish, start in Spanish 203
- AP score of **3** – start immediately in Spanish 201\*\*
- Students with **4 or 5** AP credit should consult Professor Nadeau ([cnadeau@iwu.edu](mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu)) before August 1<sup>st</sup> or Professor Dixon-Montgomery ([dixonmo@iwu.edu](mailto:dixonmo@iwu.edu)) after August 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss course options (at their earliest convenience).

\*\* A [Waiver Form for Registration](#) for this course must be submitted to the Registrar's Office for the student to be able to override the prerequisite and register for the appropriate language course based on their AP score. The student should fill out the form and email it to Professor Nadeau ([cnadeau@iwu.edu](mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu)) before August 1<sup>st</sup> or Professor Dixon-Montgomery ([dixonmo@iwu.edu](mailto:dixonmo@iwu.edu)) after August 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **AP score guidelines for German, Italian or Latin:**

Though IWU does not offer German, Italian or Latin, if you scored a **4 or 5** on the AP exam, you have satisfied the language requirement.

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### *PLACEMENT BY PLACEMENT TEST SCORES*

If a student does not place into a language via an AP test, a placement test will guide students to enroll in an appropriate course, or indicate that the Second Language (LA) requirement has been fulfilled. Students MAY NOT take a placement test in a language once they have begun to study the language at the university level, including transfer credit or study abroad.

Placement tests may be taken only once in a particular language. However, students may test in more than one language.

1. **French, Japanese and Spanish:** Online placement tests will be taken over the summer when a student attends a Rising Titan or Transfer Student Orientation session.
2. **ASL:** In person placement tests can be arranged. Contact Professor Nadeau ([cnadeau@iwu.edu](mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu)) before August 1<sup>st</sup> or Cristina Almeida ([malmeida@iwu.edu](mailto:malmeida@iwu.edu)) after August 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. Special proficiency exams in **languages the University does not offer** may be arranged, when possible, **ONLY** for students who have demonstrated secondary school study or reading and writing proficiency in a language. Such languages may include, but are not limited to: German, Hebrew, Korean, Polish, and-Ukrainian.
  - a. Contact Cristina Almeida ([malmeida@iwu.edu](mailto:malmeida@iwu.edu)) for more information.
  - b. Students are responsible for all costs incurred for placement tests administered in a language other than those taught at IWU.
  - c. Proficiency exams in a variety of languages not taught at IWU are offered at the beginning of the fall and the spring semester. September 2 is the deadline for requesting proficiency exams during the fall semester and February 1 for proficiency exams during the spring semester.

### *STUDENTS CONCERNED WITH PLACEMENT TEST RESULTS*

Students **need the approval of the department chair** if they wish to enroll in a course at a level other than which they were placed. The following are suggestions, but placement depends on student proficiency and level of comfort in any given class. Contact Professor Nadeau ([cnadeau@iwu.edu](mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu)) before August 1<sup>st</sup> or Professor Dixon-Montgomery ([jdixonmo@iwu.edu](mailto:jdixonmo@iwu.edu)) after August 1<sup>st</sup> for more information.

#### **ASL:**

- Students with one year of the language in high school may expect to enroll in 101
- Students with two years of the language in high school may expect to enroll in 102\*\*\*
- Students with three or four years of high school study in the language may expect to enroll in 201\*\*\*

#### **French or Spanish:**

- Students with one or two years of the language in high school may expect to enroll in 102\*\*\*
- Students with three or four years of the language in high school may expect to enroll in 201\*\*\*

\*\*\*A [Waiver Form for Registration](#) for this course must be submitted to the Registrar's Office for the student to be able to override the prerequisite and register for the appropriate language course based on their years of language study in high school. The student should fill out the form and email it to Professor Nadeau ([cnadeau@iwu.edu](mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu)) before August 1<sup>st</sup> or Professor Dixon-Montgomery ([jdixonmo@iwu.edu](mailto:jdixonmo@iwu.edu)) after August 1<sup>st</sup>.

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### *SECOND LANGUAGE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS*

**For International Students** we recognize proficiency if their high school courses were taught in a language other than English. However, most of our international students attended a high school in which the primary language of instruction was English. International students who were required to take the TOEFL are exempt from the second language requirement. The Registrar can be contacted as needed.

### *CONTACT INFORMATION*

Language	Contact before August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Contact After August 1 <sup>st</sup>
Arabic, ASL, Chinese	Professor Nadeau ( <a href="mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu">cnadeau@iwu.edu</a> )	Cristina Almeida ( <a href="mailto:calmeida@iwu.edu">calmeida@iwu.edu</a> )
French, Spanish	Professor Nadeau ( <a href="mailto:cnadeau@iwu.edu">cnadeau@iwu.edu</a> )	Professor Dixon-Montgomery ( <a href="mailto:jdixonmo@iwu.edu">jdixonmo@iwu.edu</a> )
Japanese	Professor Chisato Kojima ( <a href="mailto:ckojima@iwu.edu">ckojima@iwu.edu</a> )	Professor Chisato Kojima ( <a href="mailto:ckojima@iwu.edu">ckojima@iwu.edu</a> )

### *UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF BASIC LANGUAGE COURSES*

#### Fall 2022

Arabic 101  
ASL 101  
Chinese 101  
French 102  
Japanese 101, 201  
Spanish 102, 201

#### Spring 2023

Arabic 102  
ASL 102  
Chinese 102  
French 101, 201  
Japanese 102, 202  
Spanish 101, 201

#### May Term 2023

Spanish 102

#### Summer 2023

Spanish 201