

Foreign Language Placement Test

Department of World Languages and Cultures

Who can take it?

Any student seeking immediate placement into a 102, 201, 202, or 300-level French, Spanish, Latin, Italian, or German course. The student cannot have already received college credit in the language in which he or she wishes to take a placement test—this includes Dual Enrollment courses

How does it work?

To receive the placement credits, students must also pass a higher level course in that same language with a grade of C or better. Below is a chart of the credits received upon passage of the course:

| <i>Level in which student is placed</i> | <i>Course credit received upon completion of the course</i> |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| 101 | None—student must take 101 |
| 102 | 101 |
| 201 | Both 101 and 102 |
| 202 | 101, 102, and 201 |
| 300+ | 101, 102, 201, 202 |

Should I take it?

Students that have taken two or more years of foreign language in high school or that have grown up speaking French, Spanish, German, or Italian or reading Latin are highly advised to take the test. However, all students can take the placement test in any language of their choosing.

Extra details?

- All tests are **FREE**. They are offered only in the **Foreign Language Resource Center (FLRC)** located in **D. Vickers Hall, room 211**.
- Tests in each language may be taken only **once**.
- The test score determines the appropriate course in which the student should be placed
- Placement test scores expire after **one** year from the date it is taken. The student has one year to register and complete the course in which he or she was placed.

What Can I Expect?

The **online** placement test is available in French, German and Spanish. The Latin and Italian placement tests are on paper. All tests include a series of multiple-choice questions focusing on vocabulary, grammar and reading comprehension. The tests usually takes students about 10 – 40 minutes to complete.

On test day....

The placement test can be taken anytime that the FLRC is open—no appointment is necessary. Please, bring your student ID. You will then receive further instructions for the exam from an FLRC staff member.

If you have any questions, feel free to email the Foreign Language Resource Center (flrc@selu.edu) or call 985-549-2291