

MODERN LANGUAGES

General Education Modern Language Requirements:

- **3 credits** except students majoring in Social Work: **6 credits** in Spanish
- **6 credits** for the BA in the Division of Humanities, except Communication Arts

- Students may take an additional 3 credits in Modern Languages in lieu of an English Literature course to fulfill the 9 credits of the English / Modern Languages requirement. Students **must** take the 6 credits in the same language.

- All courses offered by the Department of Modern Languages fulfill the Gen. Ed. requirement except SPA 370 or any Topics courses taught in English.

Placement in Modern Languages' Courses (Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), French, Italian and Spanish)

- Courses have to be taken **in sequence** and students have to be **placed according to their language level** (see the Placement Grid below)

- Students may not take a lower course than the one taken on the previous semester.

Student's Previous Experience	Courses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no previous experience in the foreign language (FL) • has taken 2 years or less of FL in High School • has taken 3 or more years of FL but have graduated from High School more than 6 years ago and have not had any other contact with the FL 	ARA 101 CHN 101 FRE 101 ITA 101 SPA 101, 103
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has taken 3 years of the FL in High School within the last 6 years and has received a grade of 89 or less in the Regents Exam • has taken ARA, CHN, FRE, ITA, SPA 101 or SPA 103 	ARA 102 CHN 102 FRE 102 ITA 102 SPA 102, 104
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has taken 4 or more of the FL in HS • has taken 3 years in HS and have received a grade of 90 or more in the Regents Exam • has taken FRE, ITA, SPA 102 or SPA 104 	FRE 201 ITA 201 SPA 201
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has taken FL - AP Exams in High School (received a grade of 3 or better) • has taken College FRE, ITA, SPA in High School 	FRE 215 ITA 215 SPA 305 SPA 306 SPA 307

Heritage students (students who speak the FL at home)

FRE 215
ITA 305
SPA 309

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Non-native speakers of English are required to take **the ESL Placement Test** if any of the following apply to them:

Freshmen students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• who were enrolled in ESL courses in high school• who attended high school outside the United States• who scored below 480 on the Critical Reading section of the SAT exam
Transfer students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• with ESL courses on their US college transcript• who transfer from a college in a non-English speaking country• with fewer than 30 credits from an US college and a high school transcript from outside the US• who scored below 480 on the Critical Reading section of the SAT exam

The ESL Placement Test determines the level of English competence and the placement in ESL courses. Non-native speakers of English who score 90 or above in this Test are exempt from taking ESL courses.

Non-native speakers of English may fulfill their Gen. Ed. foreign language requirement by taking a 3 credit ESL course if they did not score 90 or more on the ESL Placement Test.

Students must complete all required ESL courses with a grade of C+ or better prior to taking science and Nursing courses.