# FOREIGN LANGUAGE PLACEMENT TESTING

**American Sign Language (ASL), Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, and Spanish**

(See note on other languages below)

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**Do you have prior knowledge of a language?**

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<td>Take the Placement Test on Blackboard (found under “My Organizations”)</td>
<td>Start Coursework:</td>
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<td>Test scores will be processed within 48 hours (business days).</td>
<td>101 (semester 1)</td>
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<td>Register for class based on placement test results and complete sequence through 201/202</td>
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For placement in language courses taught at Chapman in **Arabic** and **Portuguese**, please contact the Department of World Languages and Cultures at 714-997-6843 and ask to make an appointment with a faculty member for placement testing (summer/interterm availability varies).

- The placement test may only be taken once. Once you begin language courses in a specific language, you are no longer eligible to take the placement test in that language.
- Placement testing is for placement purposes only. It will not waive the GE Language Study Requirement.

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**Other Options:**

- To view Language-related AP or IB test scores and corresponding credit, visit [www.chapman.edu/ap-credit](http://www.chapman.edu/ap-credit) or [www.chapman.edu/ib-credit](http://www.chapman.edu/ib-credit). Although students may satisfy the language requirement with AP/IB scores, they are still encouraged to enroll in a 202 or 300 level language class as of their first semester so as to be better prepared to study abroad, to complete a language Themed Inquiry, minor, or major, and become global citizens.

- Students who are proficient in a language are encouraged to enroll in a 202 or 300 level language class or to take a proficiency exam to satisfy the GE Language Study Requirement. **Information about the proficiency exams is provided on the back of this handout.**

- Students who can document functional language use (completion of a non-English secondary school/high school) should contact the Registrar’s Office ([APS@chapman.edu](mailto:APS@chapman.edu)) about a language waiver.

**Additional questions? Email** [placementexams@chapman.edu](mailto:placementexams@chapman.edu)

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**Recommendations from the World Languages and Cultures Department:**

- It is recommended to enroll in a language course as soon as possible. Once the sequence is started, do not take a break until you have finished. Complete your language requirement by the end of your sophomore year.

- If you have taken two or more years of high school study of the same language, you should be able to start at the 102 level. The 101 class is reserved for true beginners.

- Students with four years should be able to start at the 201 level and to complete their language requirement in just one semester.
## LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY TESTING

### Proficiency testing is available in the following languages:

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- Registration is done online through Brigham Young University (BYU). Fee is $50. Additional information about the test may be found at: [https://flats.byu.edu](https://flats.byu.edu). Website for registration is: [https://flats.byu.edu/signupall.php?x=8](https://flats.byu.edu/signupall.php?x=8)
- An exam in Hebrew is available via New York University. Please visit [www.chapman.edu/placementtests](http://www.chapman.edu/placementtests) for more information on this specific exam.
- The BYU exam will need to be proctored through an external testing center (cannot be proctored at Chapman). Visit [www.chapman.edu/placementtests](http://www.chapman.edu/placementtests) for a list of local schools that can proctor this exam and more information. We recommended contacting the testing center to inquire about availability prior to registering for the exam online.
- You must pass a 201 equivalency course in order to waive the language requirement. Institutional credit is not earned.

### The following information is needed in order to register:

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<td>Visit the Testing Website at <a href="http://www.chapman.edu/placementtests">www.chapman.edu/placementtests</a> to identify local college testing centers where you can have your exam proctored.</td>
<td>Patty Isaac Michelsen <a href="mailto:pjorgens@chapman.edu">pjorgens@chapman.edu</a></td>
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<td>Assistant Registrar CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY One University Drive Orange, CA 92866 (714) 997-6701</td>
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