

**Department of Languages and Cultures**  
**Satisfying the World Languages**  
**Graduation Requirement**  
**(0-6 credits)**

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## HOW TO SATISFY THE WORLD LANGUAGES REQUIREMENT.

Do you want to continue studying a language for which you have prior experience?

Do you want to begin studying a language for which you have no prior experience?

If you have prior knowledge of a language and it is one of the languages for which we offer a placement test, contact Mr. Miles at [milesj@wpunj.edu](mailto:milesj@wpunj.edu) to schedule a placement test. (Arabic, \*Chinese, French, \*German, Italian, Japanese, Spanish, and \*Russian)

\*placement tests in the languages marked with an asterisk are for exemption only, as we do not currently offer courses in these languages.

If you have no prior knowledge of a language you can take your language at the Basic I level (Language Level 1100).\*

Please note that we will review your prior transcripts to verify that you have no previous experience with the language.

\*in order to register for a new language, you must still contact Mr. Miles at [milesj@wpunj.edu](mailto:milesj@wpunj.edu) to get permission.

If you have taken a placement test, you will be placed in one of following groups:



If you wish to take a Challenge Exam, to earn up to 6 free-elective credits at the intermediate level.

Have you earned 90 or more credits?  
(Not including currently enrolled classes.)

Yes. You may only test for a waiver from the World language Requirement.  
**No credits may be earned.**

No. You are eligible to earn up to 6 credits.

Albanian, Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Turkish

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Upon passing the exam you are exempt from the World Languages requirement, but are not eligible to purchase credits.

Upon passing the exam you must process paperwork with the Language and Cultures department and pay an administration fee<sup>†</sup> to purchase the credits at the Office of Student Accounts.

\*NYU charges various fees for our students to take their exams. Please note that only the **16 point exam** can satisfy the World Languages Requirement.

William Paterson University does not charge an additional fee for proctoring the NYU exam.

The list of languages currently offered at NYU is:

**Afrikaans, Albanian, Arabic, Armenian, Bengali, Bosnian, Bulgarian, Cantonese, Catalan, Chinese, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Greek (Modern), Gujarati, Haitian Creole, Hebrew, Hindi, Hungarian, Ibo, Icelandic, Indonesian, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Lithuanian, Malay, Mandarin, Norwegian, Persian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazilian), Punjabi, Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish, Tagalog, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian, Urdu, Vietnamese, Yiddish, and Yoruba.**

<sup>†</sup>The William Paterson University administrative fee is \$75.00 to purchase 3 credits or \$150.00 to purchase 6 credits.

If you have any further questions about the World Languages Requirement, please contact James Miles in the Language Lab at (973) 720-3039 or e-mail MilesJ@wpunj.edu