

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Please note: This information sheet is to be used as a guide only. Four-year schools may vary in their foreign language admissions and graduation requirements. **It is very important for students to contact the transfer institution and department of their choice to verify all foreign language requirements and to discuss possible options (if any) for meeting or waiving those requirements.**

RUNNING START STUDENTS:

In general, Running Start students are considered as freshmen applicants. As freshmen applicants, you are required to have **two years of one language** in high school or two quarters of one language at a community college. It is also a good idea to plan ahead and figure out if you need additional foreign language in order to *graduate* from your major at the four-year school. (Check with an advisor)

Running Start students who continue at the community college after their high school graduation should use the Transfer Student Foreign Language guidelines. (See attached)

STUDENTS FROM NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING COUNTRIES WHO ENTERED THE UNITED STATES EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AT OR AFTER THE 8TH GRADE:

Students who belong in this category may be exempt from the foreign language requirement. **However, students should always check with the Admissions Office to verify all admissions and graduation requirements**

* There are a number of four-year schools that do not offer American Sign Language (ASL) classes or some languages offered at a community college. It is highly recommended that students complete the entire sequence at their community college before transferring, if needed. It is also best to complete the whole sequence of a foreign language (101, 102 & 103) at one school before transferring, if needed.

SCHOOL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENT	GRADUATION REQUIREMENT	ASL ACCEPTED AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Bastyr University	NO	NO	Not applicable
Central Washington University	NO for students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Otherwise, 2 years of high school study of a single foreign language or three college quarters of a single language.	YES for all students pursuing a bachelor's degree: 2 years of one high school foreign language OR one year (3 quarters) of college foreign language (101-103) The only exception to this rule is as follows: Transfer students with DTA associate degrees who pursue degrees other than a BA (such as a Bachelor of Music, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Fine Arts or Bachelor of Arts in Education) do not have to meet the CWU foreign language graduation requirement. Students with DTA associate degrees pursuing a bachelor of arts degree would still need to satisfy the CWU foreign language requirement prior to graduation.	YES
Cornish College of the Arts	NO	NO	Not applicable

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Eastern Washington University	NO for transfer students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Check with the Admissions Office for any exceptions	YES for students graduating with a Bachelor of Arts (BA): Two years of one language in high school or one year of a single foreign language (101-103). NO for Bachelor of Science (BS), Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration (BAB), Bachelor of Arts in Education (BAE), Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), Bachelor of Music (BMU)	YES
The Evergreen State College	NO for transfer students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Check with the Admissions Office for any exceptions	NO	YES
Gonzaga University	NO for students with more than 45qtr college credits.	YES for College of Arts & Sciences: one 3 semester credit course in foreign language or foreign culture.	NO
Heritage University	NO	YES. Part of the General Education requirements for graduation. One 5 credit course in language (101 level). Check with Heritage College for language requirement for designated majors.	Check with school
Northwest University	NO	YES for some majors. Check with the school. For English majors: 3 college quarters (101-103).	YES (Note: ASL is not offered at NWU)
Pacific Lutheran University	YES. 2 years high school or 3 quarters (101-103) or 2 semesters of college of the same foreign language <i>with a C average or better</i> . It is permitted to enter the university deficient in language. It is also highly suggested that those deficient in language complete the requirement as soon as possible upon matriculation. Language classes taken in Middle School or Junior High School can be used to satisfy the two years requirement from High School if <i>all</i> language classes are listed on the high school transcript. Also, bilingual students can use their fluency in a language other than English in place of college courses upon proof of bilingual ability.	YES for College of Arts & Sciences. Contact PLU for more detailed information about this graduation requirement.	YES (but only in satisfaction of the Entrance Requirement, not for satisfaction of the graduation requirement).

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Saint Martin's University	NO	YES for students who enter Saint Martin's without a direct transfer AA. NO for students who have a direct transfer AA or have taken two years of the same foreign language in high school and received a grade of B or better. Not required for Bachelor of Science degree candidates.	NO
University of Puget Sound	NO. Two or more years of high school foreign language is recommended but not required.	YES. 1 year of college level work or the equivalent. The high scores on the AP exam or placements tests at the University of Puget Sound can be used to waive the requirement.	NO
Seattle Pacific University	NO	YES. 3 college quarters (101-103) or 3 years of high school of a single foreign language. AA degree holders are exempt from the General University Requirements for foreign language, but some majors require it. Check with SPU for a list of majors.	YES
Seattle University	NO, unless transferring with fewer than 45 quarter credits.	YES. Only for College of Arts and Sciences: 1 year (3 quarters) college level requirement in a foreign language (101-103)	YES
University of Washington Seattle	YES. 2 years of high school of one foreign language or 2 quarters college of one language (101-102)	YES for majors within the College of Arts and Sciences and Social Work. Take the 103 level and be sure to achieve at least a 2.0 or higher.	YES
University of Washington, Bothell	YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 quarters college of one foreign language (101-102)	NO	YES
University of Washington, Tacoma	YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 quarters college of one foreign language (101-102).	YES for students who plan to graduate from the International Business Option. Take the 103 level of a language; check with UWT Business department for relevant languages.	YES

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Washington State University	NO for students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits.	YES. For College of Liberal Arts and College of Sciences: 2 years high school or 1 full year college of one foreign language (101-103)	YES
Western Washington University	NO for students with at least 40 transferable college credits	NO for the General University Requirements (GURs). Some majors may require it.	YES. ASL will transfer to WWU, but will not satisfy GUR requirements
Whitman College	NO. Two years of high school foreign language is recommended but not required. Students are advised to check out Whitman's Web site for more information about admissions requirements. www.whitman.edu/admission/transfer/html	NO	YES, in most cases. Check with Whitman College for details.
Whitworth College	NO. Two years of high school foreign language is recommended but not required.	YES. Required for all majors: 3 quarters of foreign language (101-103). Exception: Nursing majors	YES

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