

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR **TRANSFER** STUDENTS AT SELECT WASHINGTON COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES: 2013-14

Please note: This information sheet is to be used as a guide only. Four-year schools may vary in their foreign language admission 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.**

Remember: This sheet is only a guide!!

FOR RUNNING START STUDENTS:

In general, Running Start students are considered as freshmen applicants. As freshmen applicants, you typically are required to have **two years of one language in high school** for admission to the university. Some colleges (especially private schools) may or may not require foreign language for freshmen admission—check with your school.

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 or refer to the attached sheet under “Graduation Requirement”—be sure to verify the information with your four-year school as well.)

Running Start students who continue at the community college after their high school graduation will generally apply as “transfer” students. Refer to the attached foreign language sheet for transfer students.

FOR 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 are usually exempt from the foreign language requirement. **However, students should always check with the school’s Admissions Office to verify all admissions and graduation requirements.**

If you are applying to Seattle University:

Please check with Seattle University’s Admission office.

If you are applying to Pacific Lutheran University or Seattle Pacific University:

Students who demonstrate a fluency in a language other than English will be considered to have met all entrance and graduation requirements for Foreign Language upon proper documentation of bilingual status. PLU requires third party attestation of fluency. Contact PLU or SPU Admissions Office for confirmation of what is considered proper documentation.

* There are a number of four-year schools that do not offer American Sign Language (ASL) classes or some languages offered at Highline Community College. It is highly recommended that students complete the entire sequence at Highline before transferring, if needed. It is also best to complete the whole sequence of a foreign language (121&122 & 123) at one school before transferring, if needed.

SCHOOL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENT	GRADUATION REQUIREMENT	AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE ACCEPTED AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Bastyr University	NO	NO	Not applicable
Central Washington University <i>(all campuses)</i>	NO for students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Otherwise, 2 years of one high school foreign language or 3 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122&123).	YES for all students seeking the Bachelor of <u>Arts</u> Degree: 2 years of one high school foreign language or 3 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122&123).	YES
City University	NO	NO	Not applicable
Cornish College of the Arts	NO	NO	Not applicable
Eastern Washington University	NO for transfer students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Otherwise, 2 years of one high school foreign language or 3 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122&123).	YES for students graduating with Bachelor of Arts (BA) degrees: 2 years of one high school foreign language or 3 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122&123). 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 degrees.	YES
The Evergreen State College	NO for transfer students who have 40 or more transferable quarter credits. Otherwise, 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 college quarters of one foreign language (12 &122) with a 2.0 or higher in each college course. With a 2.0, your credits will transfer to Evergreen. If you receive a 1.0 grade (but under a 2.0 grade), you will be able to fulfill the high school admission requirement, but not be able to transfer credit for the course(s).	NO	YES
Gonzaga University	NO	YES for College of Arts & Sciences majors (only); one 5 credit course in a language (121 level) OR a culture-related course. Check with university for more information.	NO
Heritage University	NO	YES. Part of the General Education Requirements for graduation. One 5 credit course in language (121 level). Check with Heritage University for language requirement for designated majors.	Please contact the university.

SCHOOL	ADMISSION REQUIREMENT	GRADUATION REQUIREMENT	ASL ACCEPTED AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Northwest University	NO	YES for some majors. Check with the school.	YES
Pacific Lutheran University	<p>YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 3 college qtrs of one foreign language (121&122&123) <i>with a C average or better.</i> Students are permitted to enter PLU deficient in language, but they may not graduate without completing the language requirements. It is highly suggested that those deficient in language complete the requirement as soon as possible upon matriculation. Language classes taken in middle school/jr high school can be used to satisfy the two years requirement from high school if <i>all</i> language classes are listed on the <i>high school transcript.</i> Bilingual students can use their fluency in a language other than English in place of college courses upon proof of bilingualability (third party attestation required). NOTE: School of Nursing transfer students who are non-native English speakers require TOFEL testing; contact PLU for information.</p>	<p>YES for College of Arts & Sciences. Contact PLU for more detailed information about this graduation requirement.</p>	<p>YES (but only in satisfaction of the Entrance Requirement, not for satisfaction of the graduation requirement).</p>
Saint Martin's University	NO for transfer students.	<p>NO for students who have a direct transfer AA degree from a Washington community college. An AA (Direct Transfer Agreement) fulfills the foreign language requirement.</p> <p>YES for students who do not have a Washington State AA degree or who plan to pursue majors at Saint Martin's that require a foreign language. Two years of a foreign language (with a grade of "B" or better") in high school may fulfill this general education requirement. Or take 121&122 of one language at Highline Community College.</p> <p>Note: If you are transferring to Saint Martin's University with an AS (Associate of Science) degree and are planning to major in the sciences or engineering, you do not need foreign language for graduation from these majors. However, students who transfer with an AS degree and then decide to major in the <i>social sciences</i>, for instance, will have to take a foreign language. <i>Foreign Language is not required for Bachelor of Science degrees at Saint Martin's University.</i></p>	NO

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Seattle Pacific University	NO for transfer students (w/AA degree completed).	YES. 3 college quarters (121&122&123) or 3 years of high school of a single foreign language with a minimum grade of C (2.0) in the final year of high school or a minimum grade of C (2.0) in the final college course. (AA degree holders (DTA) are exempt from the General University Requirements for foreign language, but some majors require it. Check with SPU.)	YES
Seattle University	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.
University of Puget Sound	NO. 2 or more years of high school foreign language is strongly recommended but not required.	YES. 3 college quarters (121&122&123) in the same language or one course at the 200-level that is at least four quarter credits. Requirement may also be satisfied by: a 4 or 5 score on the AP exam; a 5, 6 or 7 score on the IB Higher Level exam; or passing a proficiency test at the University of Puget Sound. For other options to meet this requirement, contact the UPS directly.	YES, but it is not offered at the UPS.
University of Washington-Bothell	YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122).	NO	YES
University of Washington-Seattle	YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 college quarters of one foreign language (121& 122)	YES for majors within the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education (Early Childhood and Family Studies), or the School of Social Work. Take the 123 level and be sure to achieve at least a 2.0 or higher <u>or</u> complete the third year high school level of a foreign language. For other options to fulfill the foreign language graduation requirement, contact the UW Seattle's Undergraduate Advising Office.	YES

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University of Washington-Tacoma	<p>YES. 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122).</p> <p>You may be admitted to the UWT with a foreign language deficiency, but you must complete the 121 & 122 of one language before you are allowed to graduate from the university.</p>	<p>YES. Two college quarters of the same foreign language or two years of one high school foreign language, if not satisfied prior to transfer. Contact the UWT for foreign language competency options.</p> <p>NOTE: The Hispanic Studies program requires intermediate level Spanish for admission. Please contact the UWT for further information.</p>	YES
Walla Walla University	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.
Washington State University-Pullman	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.
Washington State University-Vancouver	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.	Please contact the university.
Western Washington University	<p>NO for students who have 45 or more transferable quarter credits.</p> <p>Otherwise, 2 years of one high school foreign language or 2 college quarters of one foreign language (121&122).</p>	NO	YES. ASL will transfer to WWU, but will not satisfy GURs (General University Requirements)
Whitman College	NO , but strongly recommended. Check with institution for further information.	NO	YES , in most cases. Check with institution.
Whitworth University	NO	<p>YES. Required for all majors: 3 college quarters (121&122&123). Foreign language study in high school does <i>not</i> fulfill the graduation requirement.</p> <p>NOTE: Nursing majors do <i>not</i> have to take a foreign language.</p>	YES
<p><i>Highline Community College</i></p> <p><i>Educational Planning & Advising/Transfer Center</i></p> <p><i>October 2013 LH</i></p>			

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