

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PLACEMENT

Criteria Used for Foreign Language Placement

1. Years of High School foreign language study.
2. Grades Received (Self-reported and in High School transcript).
3. Track (where applicable)
4. When was the language last studied (Fresh., Soph., Junior, Senior)

Placement Levels:

- 201-202:** 4+ years of study; high grades; interest in continuing (level 201-202) in Spanish and French; Italian if there are enough students). Heritage speakers of Spanish are placed at this level judged on their background (family and academic) in the language
- 103-104:** 3-4 years of study; grades; interest in continuing
2 years if language last studied in junior or senior year and the grades merit it.
- 101-102:** 1-2 years; especially if language last studied sophomore year; grades
0 years if new to the language or new to foreign language study

Other Considerations:

1. Students who choose not to continue their language of study at their assigned level (103-104 or 201-202) always have the option of selecting another language at the 101-102 level.
2. AP Courses
 - 4: should be given credit for 201-201 (in Spanish they should be advised to take courses towards the minor)
 - 3: should be given credit for 103-104
3. Native speakers of Spanish (educated in their country of origin) should be advised to take courses toward the minor
4. The judgment of the experts: When there is any doubt as to the appropriate placement, a member of the foreign language faculty (in the appropriate language) should be consulted.