

3341-3-44 Foreign Language Undergraduate Admission Requirement

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| Applicability | All University units – Undergraduate Students |
| Responsible Office | Office of the Provost |
| Responsible Administrator | University Registrar |

(A) Policy Statement and Purpose

This university policy is part of the Undergraduate Catalog. The Undergraduate Catalog provides university academic policies and information about program requirements. The Undergraduate Catalog is updated each semester and can be found at <http://www.bgsu.edu/catalog/academic-policies.html>. Colleges and departments may have additional or more specific requirements or policies that relate to an individual program. Students are advised to become familiar with the Undergraduate Catalog as well as specific requirements and policies related to their degree program.

(B) Policy

Admission to Bowling Green State University includes a requirement for a language other than English. This requirement applies only to students seeking a baccalaureate degree. The requirement is typically satisfied through completion of two units of the same language other than English in high school.

- (1) If this requirement is not fulfilled at the time of admission to the university, it may be satisfied in one of three ways:
 - (a) Students who have not completed study of a language other than English in high school, may successfully complete two semesters of the same language (other than English) at the university level.

- (b) Students who have acquired a language other than English through life experience or who have learned it through prior study may take credit by examination.
 - (c) International students whose native language is not English may be exempted by proficiency or by successful completion of ESOL 1000, ESOL 1010, ESOL 1030, and ESOL 1040. A student's score on the English proficiency test determines the required courses in this sequence. For more information, see the International Students Admission Policy, which is available [here](#).
- (2) The following conditions and stipulations also apply:
- (a) Students who have a documented (through Disabilities Services) learning disability in acquisition of a new language may substitute courses taught in English, from BGSU's existing list of acceptable substitute courses.
 - (b) American Sign Language will fulfill this admission requirement.
 - (c) Computer programming languages will not fulfill this admission requirement.
 - (d) The Foreign Language Admission Requirement will apply to transfer students who have completed fewer than thirty semester hours of credit-bearing post-secondary courses, but will not apply to those students who have completed thirty or more semester hours of credit-bearing post-secondary courses at BGSU Firelands or at another college or university (as per the Transfer Students policy).

The Foreign Language Admission Requirement is to apply for students admitted for fall semester 2007 and thereafter.

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