

WRITING PLACEMENT GUIDE

FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Writing Placement Score: First Year students who graduated from high school in the United States and took the ACT will be placed into a Writing class based on their Writing Placement Score.

- WPS OF 1=WRTG 2010
- WPS OF 2= WRTG 1010

Writing 1010 must be completed with a C- or better before taking Writing 2010.

***Students without a Writing Placement Score must obtain a placement by taking the writing placement essay exam at the Testing Center before they are eligible to register.**

AP EXAMS

A score of 4 or above on an AP English Test (Comp/Reading, Comp Lit or Language) waives the lower division writing requirement (WR2) for General Education purposes. However, some majors require completion of WRTG 2010 regardless of AP Score.

- A score of 4 waives WRTG 2010
- A score of 3 places the student into WRTG 2010

TRANSFER STUDENTS

***Transfer students who have not taken a writing course equivalent to WRTG 1010 must take a writing placement essay at the Testing Center to determine their placement.**

Transfer students who took a 1010 equivalent course at a previous institution are placed into WRTG 2010. Transfer students who took a second writing course equivalent to WRTG 2010 at a previous institution or have an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science or a Bachelor's degree have completed the lower division writing requirement.

If you have questions concerning transfer credits in regard to placement please see an advisor at University College (801) 581-8146, 450 SSB.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students fulfill the lower division writing requirement (WR2) with the ESL 1040, 1050, 1060 sequence. The English as a Second Language placement exam, available in the Testing Center, places students into either ESL 1040 or 1050. A grade of C- or better is needed to advance. For more information about ESL please call Linguistics (801) 581-8047.

NOTE: To schedule placement exams, contact the Testing Center at 801-581-8744, 498 SSB. All other questions contact the University Writing Program 801-581-7090/ l.shaw@utah.edu

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT GUIDE

STUDENTS WHO HAVE NEVER TAKEN A LANGUAGE:

Start with 1010 and advance through 2020 to complete the B.A. language requirement.

STUDENTS WHO HAVE LEARNED A LANGUAGE IN A PREVIOUS CLASSROOM SETTING (HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE):

Take a language placement test through the Languages and Literature Department (801-581-7561, OSH 112 (The DiBona Center)). You may be able to start higher than 1010 and take fewer courses to advance through 2020.

STUDENTS WHO LEARNED A LANGUAGE WHILE LIVING IN ANOTHER COUNTRY (MISSIONS, MILITARY, AND OTHER SIMILAR COMMITMENTS):

Take the 3060 course (if offered at the University of Utah). This is the best option if you plan to major or minor in the language **OR** take a proficiency exam and purchase 16 lower division credits.

- French, German, Italian, Russian, or Spanish—Take the MLA exam at the Testing Center (801-581-8744, 498 SSB)
- Other Languages—Check with BYU for exam availability at 801-422-3512. <http://flats.byu.edu>

For further information contact the Languages and Literature Department (801-581-7561, 1400 LNCO).

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH ENGLISH AS THEIR SECOND LANGUAGE:

Once you have completed your lower division writing requirement, the BA language requirement will be completed. Taking ESL 1060 automatically clears the BA language requirement.

Students who take WRTG 2010 will need to contact the Languages and Literature Department (801-581-7561, 1400 LNCO) to verify English is their second language.

