The University of Tulsa
Language Course Placement

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO NEW STUDENTS

TU students who are seeking a Bachelor of Arts degree must meet a language requirement of proficiency through the intermediate level. Those who seek a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Music, or Bachelor of Business Administration degree must meet a minimum language requirement of proficiency through the beginning level. We offer American Sign Language, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Greek (Ancient), Latin, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish.

Prior to coming to campus to enroll, students with previous classroom or life experience in Chinese, French, German, Russian, or Spanish who intend to continue studying the same language must take the online Computer-Aided Placement Exam (CAPE). (For other languages, please contact your advisor.) This policy also applies to native speakers of a Romance language who intend to take courses either in their native tongue or in another Romance language taught by the Department. CAPE scores are forwarded automatically to TU’s Department of Languages, where they are factored in with other relevant information to determine course placement. At the time of enrollment, the student’s advisor consults the placement decision made by the Department of Languages and enrolls the student accordingly. Depending upon performance in class, some students may be moved to a higher or lower level during the first week of the semester. Although taking the CAPE is optional for students receiving AP or IB language credit, it is advisable for the Department of Languages to have a placement score on hand for every new student.

Instructions for the TU Online Foreign Language Placement Exam (LPE)
For Chinese, French, German, Russian, and Spanish only; otherwise, please contact your advisor

1. Go to: utulsa.edu/languages
2. Click on the left link “Language Placement”
3. Click on the link at the bottom, “Language Placement Test”
4. The password for the Language Placement Exam link is: hurricane
5. Use your TU student ID number.

For your score to be recorded properly you must follow all instructions completely and answer the survey at the end of the test for the grade to be saved. When you have come to the end of the survey, please print a copy of “the results” of your exam & have this available for your enrollment appointment.

This EVALUATION usually takes 20-30 minutes.

If an online placement exam is not offered in the language you wish to study, your placement in an appropriate level will be made in consultation with the instructor in that language.

The language placement examination does not grant academic credit, nor can it be used to test out of the language proficiency requirement.

If you have questions about taking the online placement exam, you may call the Department of Languages directly at 918-631-2332 or make contact by e-mail at language-placement@utulsa.edu or call 1-800-331-3050 and ask for the Department of Languages.