

01 Do you have enough proficiency in a language other than English that you believe you should be exempt from the language requirement at Suffolk?

No. Go to # 2.

Yes. Click [here](#).

02 Have you taken an AP language exam?

No. *Go to 3.*

Yes, I got, 1, 2, or 3-- *Go to 3.* (If a 3, 4 credits earned)

If you... 04

.... haven't studied any language before, or if you wish to take a language different from the one you studied in secondary school, you may take two semesters (101 + 102) in any language offered at Suffolk University, including American Sign Language (ASL), Chinese, French Italian, Japanese, or Spanish.

Check the specifics of this step on the next page 04. **Spanish language requires placement tests even for beginners. Check 05 page. *****

How do I fulfill the core Language Requirement at Suffolk?

For BA degree

Do you know some French or Spanish and wish to continue study of that language? 03

No – Go to 4.

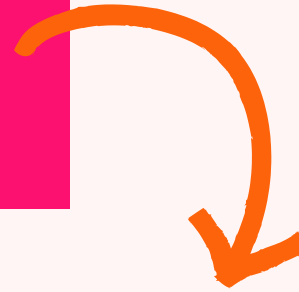
Yes. Take a language placement exam for French or Spanish. Check requirements for Spanish courses***

- Yes, I got a 4 in Spanish – Take 201 in that language to complete the language requirement (1 course required; 4 credits earned).
- Yes, I got a 5 in any language – Language requirement waived (no courses required; 8 elective credits earned).
- Yes, I took the AP Spanish Literature exam and scored a 4 or 5 -- Language requirement waived (no courses required; 4 credits earned (towards minor/major in Spanish). You may take a course above SPAN 290.

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If you said **YES** to # 1 in the previous chart, you need to establish your proficiency in one of these two ways:



a. Take the ACTFL proficiency exam** and pass it. [The test is administered and graded by ACTFL. Students will have to show proficiency that corresponds to the 202-level]

Exam link: <https://app.emmersion.ai/registration?shortId=6a19677014>

b. Took the AP language exam and received a score of 5 (8 elective credits earned).

04 Make sure to read the specifics



- If you feel you have a strong enough background in a language, you may choose to take the Language Exemption Examinations. We recommend talking first with a HLGc language advisor.*
- Students who wish to study Italian, Chinese, or Japanese should consult with HLGc faculty at the beginning of their first semester of residence.
- If you have been placed at the 5th-semester Spanish level or higher, or you consider yourself a heritage speaker, please contact any language advisor to determine the best class for you.
- If you took your last course in high school and have any type of certificate in Spanish or French, you should consult the overall coordinator for the relevant language courses rather than taking the placement exams.
- **Where to take the placement exam:** SU Language Lab (73 Tremont, 10th floor). Instructions page: <https://tinyurl.com/4e6jf3zr>

***Contact for HLGc language advisors:** For Spanish contact Prof. Iani Moreno imoreno@suffolk.edu or Prof. Saraí García natanaelsarai.garciasantos@suffolk.edu; For French contact Prof. Barbara Abrams babrams@suffolk.edu or Prof. Marjorie Salvodon; For Students who wish to take Language Exemption Examinations for exemption from the core language requirement contact Prof. Chris Dakin cdakin@suffolk.edu

REMEMBER: The placement examination is web-based and you are only allowed to take this examination ONE time. After taking the exam, it is suggested that you print out a copy or take a picture of the score onto a sheet of paper. This examination is intended to aid in the placement of the student in the appropriate level of language instruction and will not count toward an exemption of the language requirement. Keep in mind that this is a simple multiple-choice exam that does not test speaking and writing fluency in any deep way.

Notes

- **To fulfill a language requirement, a student must earn credit for a course in American Sign Language, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish, or French at 102 level or above.**
- *A student may need to complete the prerequisite of 101 prior to taking 102. Contact a language advisor for any questions about the fulfillment of the language.*
- *Please DO NOT use dictionaries or other assistance when taking the test. This may result in an incorrect placement. Follow the instructions on the other charts for more information on where to take the exam.*

05 ONLY SPANISH REQUIREMENTS



Thank you for being interested in the Spanish-speaking world! We will be so happy to welcome you to any of our Spanish classes. But first, read the requirements so you can take the correct steps to enroll in any Spanish-level courses.

Placement examinations and a short interview before enrollment are **REQUIRED** for all students who want to attend any Spanish courses.

Interviews for the Fall and Spring semesters will be conducted during enrollment periods and by appointment only. **Contact: Prof. Iani Moreno or Prof. Saraí García to book your appointment.**

Fall 2023 dates: November 3, 6 & 8 from 2:00-3:00 pm

Don't forget! It is mandatory to meet first with a Spanish advisor before enrolling and taking the placement test. You will not be allowed to join any classes before this requirement is met. These steps are designed to save you time and resources in the future by placing you in the correct class.

If you feel that you have been placed at the wrong level, please contact [Professor Saraí García](#) for any Elementary and intermediate levels and [Professor Iani Moreno](#) for any advanced level to set up an oral interview.

If you decide to study Spanish, **you may fulfill the foreign language requirement** by taking SPAN 102 or higher. You may also fulfill the literature requirement if you enroll in an upper-level Spanish literature course.

For more information about Spanish major and minor, visit the site:

<https://www.suffolk.edu/cas/degrees-programs/history/undergraduate/spanish-major>

<https://www.suffolk.edu/cas/degrees-programs/history/undergraduate/spanish-minor>