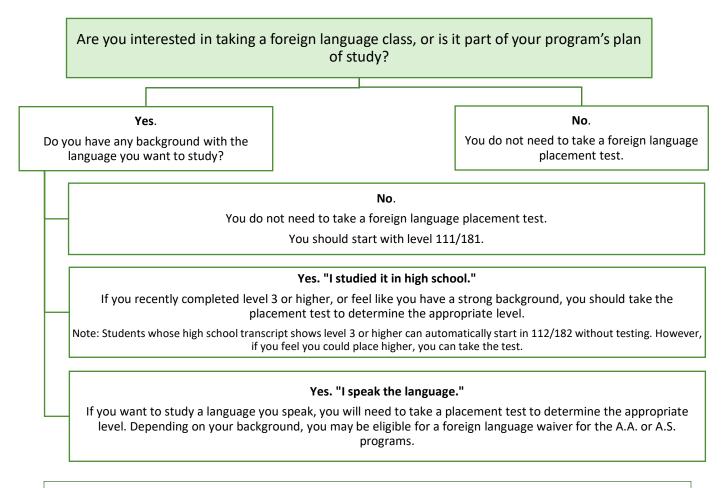


Foreign Language Placement Testing

Is a foreign language placement test right for you? Use this chart to help you decide.



Note: If English is not your first language, you may be eligible for a foreign language waiver for the A.A or A.S. program. Contact the chair Shannon Hahn at hahns@durhamtech.edufor more information.

If you are interested in taking a foreign language placement test, here's how.

Send an email from your ConnectMail account to Chuck Johnson at chuck.johnson@durhamtech.edu. It should include:

- Your name and ID number
- A brief description of your background with the language you want to test (e.g., native speaker or # of years studied)

You will be contacted via email with instructions on how and when to access the test. The test is administered via Canvas and is timed at 1 hour 15 minutes. Once you finish, you will be contacted within a week to discuss your results.

How to prepare for placement testing

Placement testing is designed to show us, in broad terms, what you can do with the language. We look at the test to see what skills you demonstrate and which skills need improvement. We then compare that to our curriculum to determine which course will best address your skill level. To have an idea of what language structures students learn at each course level, you can read the course outlines on the Durham Tech website at https://www.durhamtech.edu/courses.

While it's a good idea to review and refresh your language skills, cramming for a placement test is not advisable! It may result in placement in a course higher than you are truly prepared to take.

For more information, contact

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