TESTING to Fulfill EWU LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Students who have some proficiency in a language not taught at EWU (e.g. Russian, Portuguese, Korean, Swahili, etc.) can satisfy the one-year foreign language requirement by testing out and scoring at a level deemed by the department chair to be equivalent to the higher end of 103.

The test that the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures uses was developed by ACTFL. It includes an oral part (OPI), and a written part (WTP).

IMPORTANT: Students have to register for both tests through Language Testing International (LTI) at: www.languagetesting.com/acad_wa1.cfm

A testing session is organized the first Friday of every month (except August). Tests are proctored by foreign language faculty at the Modern Language Lab (216 Patterson Hall). After registering for your tests with LTI, please contact professor Ruiz-Rubio at nruizrubio@ewu.edu to let her know about your upcoming tests.

What tests do I take?

1.a. Oral Proficiency Interview by computer (OPIc) (not available in all languages). The OPIc is a test of speaking performance recorded via computer lasting 20 to 40 minutes. Cost: $ 55-65 + proctor fee.
   OR

Candidates can choose two option 1) Up to Advanced 2) Advanced to Superior. We recommend this last option in order for the candidate to know his/her actual oral proficiency. If you have any question, consult with Dr. Ruiz-Rubio or Dr. Preisig on which test is more appropriate for you.

AND

2. Writing Proficiency Test (WPT): A standardized test of writing ability. The WPT test takes 80 or 90 minutes. Cost is $ 65 + proctor fee.
   Note: Languages with non-Latin based alphabets will choose the WPT booklet option. Upon signing for your WPT, you will receive a survey you need to complete in order for you to be able to take the test at EWU.

What are “proctor fees”?
This is the fee that you pay to the test site or a person approved by LTI to oversee your test. For EWU students proctor fees are $10 per test. For the rest of applicants proctor fees are $25 per test.

How do I find out the results of my test?
Once the rating of your test is completed, you can view the test result and print an Official ACTFL Proficiency Certificate on the LTI Test Candidate Website (www.languagetesting.com/individual).

Who can I contact if I have any question about my test?

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