PROFICIENCY TESTING IN
FOREIGN & AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGES

Proficiency Testing in Common Languages
Students seeking exemption from the Queens College foreign language graduation requirement by demonstrating proficiency in one of the languages listed below can take a 12-Point Proficiency Exam at New York University. For more information, visit: http://www.scps.nyu.edu/areas-of-study/foreign-languages/continuing-education/

- Afrikaans
- Albanian
- Arabic
- Armenian
- Bengali
- Bosnian
- Bulgarian
- Catalan
- Chinese (Cantonese)
- Chinese (Mandarin)
- Croatian
- Czech
- Danish
- Dutch
- Finnish
- French
- German
- Greek (Modern)
- Gujarati
- Haitian Creole
- Hebrew
- Hindi
- Hungarian
- Ibo
- Icelandic
- Indonesian
- Irish (Gaelic)
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Latin
- Lithuanian
- Malay
- Norwegian
- Persian
- Polish
- Portuguese (Brazilian)
- Punjabi
- Romanian
- Russian
- Serbian
- Spanish
- Tagalog
- Thai
- Turkish
- Ukrainian
- Urdu
- Vietnamese
- Yiddish
- Yoruba

Exam Fee: To take the exam at NYU, an exam fee will be charged. Please contact the center at (212) 998-7030 for the most current fee for the 12-point exam. All payments must be made by credit card or money order. The exam fee covers one official letter sent to a designated institution and one copy for the student’s unofficial record.

Note: To qualify for this exemption, students must score at least 10 points out of a possible 12 points.

Proficiency exams are given throughout the year by appointment at:

New York University
School of Continuing and Professional Studies Language Lab
145 Forth Avenue, Room 205
Between 13th and 14th streets
New York, New York 10003

Results for language exemption exam must be mailed to:

William McClure, Acting Dean
Division of Arts & Humanities
Queens College, CUNY
Kiely Hall Room 904
65-30 Kissena Boulevard
Flushing, New York 11367-1597

How to Make an Appointment at NYU: http://www.scps.nyu.edu

Please call at least 24 hours prior to the exam if you need to cancel or reschedule. If you fail to show up at the test site on time, your place will be given to another applicant.

1. Call the NYU Center for Foreign Languages and Translation at (212) 998-7030.
2. Be prepared to provide the following information:
   o Name
   o Social Security number or passport number
   o Daytime telephone number
   o Language and number of points (12-point exam for Queens College)
3. On the day of the exam, be sure you have with you:
   o The name and address of the person or department where you want the results mailed.
   Results must be mailed to:
   Dean William McClure
   Acting Dean of Division of Arts & Humanities
   Queens College, CUNY
   65-30 Kissena Boulevard
   Kiely Hall Room 904
   Flushing, New York 11367-1597

For More Information
A photo I.D., such as a driver’s license, student I.D., or passport.
Your social security number or passport number.
Your money order payable to New York University. If you wish to pay by credit card, carefully write your credit card type, number, and expiration date on the appropriate lines of the registration form.
Cash and personal checks are not accepted and the exam will not be administered without proper payment.

Proficiency Testing in All Other Languages (Those not already listed)
Students seeking exemption from the Queens College foreign language graduation requirement in a language that is not tested at New York University should contact Dean William McClure, for further guidance.

Fulfilling the QC Foreign Language Requirement with American Sign Language (ASL)
Students who intend to fulfill the Foreign Language Requirement through American Sign Language need to make an appointment with the Linguistics and Communication Disorders Department (Location: Kissena Hall 349 | Phone: 718-997-2870) and bring evidence of fluency or successful completion of a credit-bearing ASL course from an accredited institution at the third semester* level or higher. Courses taken through Continuing Education Programs are not acceptable.

*Associate Degree Holders (AA or AS degree holders from CUNY, Nassau Community College (NCC), or Suffolk Community College (SCC) only) are required to demonstrate proficiency at the second level or higher of American Sign Language.

To Receive Credit for American Sign Language (ASL) Courses
Current Queens College students who wish to meet Queens College’s foreign language requirement through ASL must take ASL courses on permit at another accredited institution. ASL courses must be taken at another institution with permission of Queens College through a PERMIT.

To apply for a Permit to a CUNY Institution:
- Go to cuny.edu and log into Citizen CUNY Portal (formerly CUNY Portal)
- File online for an ePermit.
- Carefully read through the permit instructions.

To apply for a Permit to a non-CUNY Institution:
- Complete a paper permit available at the Registrar’s Office, located in Jefferson Hall 1st Floor or available online at http://www.qc.cuny.edu/registrar/Documents/Non-CUNY%20Permit%20form.pdf
- Carefully read through the permit instructions.

Permission granted by Professor Robert Vago, Chair of Linguistics and Communication Disorders (LCD). To make an appointment with Professor Vago, contact the LCD Department at 718-997-2870.

When the student has completed the required ASL course(s), he/she must request to have a final transcript sent from the instructional institution to Queens College. The student will receive elective credit (LCD 499) toward graduation for three courses and will be waived from Queens College’s foreign language requirement.

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