Language Course Instructions for International Plan Students

Choosing the Appropriate Language Course

If you are beginning the study of a language for the first time, you may register for any open 1001 section.

If you are continuing your study of Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian, or Spanish from high school, then you must take our online placement test before registering for a language course. You can take the test at: http://www.modlangs.gatech.edu/student-resources/placement-tests. The test will give you a score; compare this score to the chart on the Placement Test homepage: this indicates into which course/level you should try to register. Please email a copy of your placement test score to internationalplan@oie.gatech.edu for our records.

AP credit for French, German or Spanish: If you received a score of 4 or 5 on the AP language test, or a 5 or higher on the IB, then you have earned free elective credit for the 2001 and 2002 courses in that language. You may register for any 3/4000-level course.

AP Credit for Chinese: For a score of 3 on the AP language tests, you have earned credit for CHIN 2002; a score of 4 earns 6 hours of credit for CHIN 2002 and 3003; a score of 5 earns 6 hours of credit for CHIN 3003 and 3004.

IB score of 5 or higher for CHIN: you have earned 6 hours of credit for CHIN 3003 and 3004.

AP Credit for Japanese: For a score of 3 on the AP language test, you have earned 3 hours of credit for JAPN 2002; a score of 4 earns 6 hours of credit for JAPN 2002 and 3001; a score of 5 earns 6 hours of credit for JAPN 3001 and 3002.

IB score of 5 or higher for JAPN: you have earned 6 hours of credit for JAPN 3001 and 3002.

If you completed Arabic or Korean, then please contact the following advisors to set up an appointment to determine in which course/level to continue your study:

ARBC: Ms. Rima Houssami  rima.houssami@modlangs.gatech.edu
KOR: Mr. Jong Hyun Lee jonghyun.lee@modlangs.gatech.edu

If you are bringing in transfer credit from another college/university's language program, then contact Mr. Jesse Brannen, Savant 307E or jesse.brannen@modlangs.gatech.edu, to ensure that GT accepts the credit and to determine placement.

Obtaining a Language Course Permit/Overload

During the first week of Phase I registration, major restrictions are in place for all SPAN courses and some FREN courses. Students who have been accepted to the IP may request permits to enroll in these restricted courses; these permits are not guaranteed and will be issued on an individual basis to the extent possible. (For ARBC, CHIN, GRMN, JAPN, KOR, or RUSS courses, you do not need a permit to register.) Also, International Plan students are given priority to register for courses that are full. For full courses, you should submit an overload request.

To request a permit or overload request:
1. Review the information on http://www.modlangs.gatech.edu/permit-and-overload-requests
2. Complete the Permit/Overload form online.
3. Once you have submitted it, please give at least 24 hours for approval.
4. If you are approved, you will receive an email with instructions to register.

You may see Mr. Brannen in Savant 307E for advice, after having tried to get into a course via the permit/overload process.