

Additional Requirements for BA Students

In addition to fulfilling Northeastern University's NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/requirements/>), candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree must complete the BA core requirements, which include meeting specific language proficiency standards.

All BA students are required to demonstrate elementary-level language proficiency and must satisfy an intermediate-level language requirement as outlined below.

Elementary-Level Proficiency

To satisfy the language proficiency requirement, students must meet one of the following criteria:

1. COURSEWORK

Complete elementary-level language courses (course numbers 1101 and 1102) with grades of C– or better in all coursework. Satisfactory/unsatisfactory grades cannot be used to satisfy this proficiency requirement.

2. CREDIT BY EXAMINATION OR TRANSFER

- Obtain a score of 4 or 5 on an Advanced Placement language exam.
- Receive International Baccalaureate credit only for higher-level language courses with a grade of 5, 6, or 7.
- Earn transfer credit for the equivalent of elementary-level 2 (course number 1102) from another institution.

Students who have earned AP, IB, or transfer credit must also receive a satisfactory score in a language-specific interview conducted by the Department of World Languages and Cultures upon matriculation.

3. PLACEMENT ASSESSMENT

Receive a satisfactory score (as determined by WLAC) on a standardized placement assessment upon matriculation.

Intermediate-Level Requirement

To meet the intermediate-level requirement, students must achieve one of the following outcomes:

1. INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL LANGUAGE COURSE

Complete a course at the intermediate level (course number 2101 or higher) in the same language used to fulfill the elementary-level proficiency requirement.

2. APPROVED CULTURE COURSE

Complete a course focusing on some aspect of the culture, history, or society of the region where the language studied at the elementary level is spoken or widely used. See the list of approved culture courses in the Course Lists tab (p. 1).

3. PROFICIENCY

Demonstrate language proficiency by completing an interview scheduled through the Department of World Languages and Cultures. The proficiency interview option is available only to heritage speakers or students who have satisfied the elementary-level proficiency through one of the following:

- Advanced Placement exam
- International Baccalaureate exam
- Standardized placement assessment, as outlined above

Course Lists

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- Elementary-Level-Two Language Courses (p. 1)
- Intermediate-Level Language Courses (p. 2)
- Intermediate-Level Culture, History, or Society Courses (p. 3)

ELEMENTARY-LEVEL-TWO LANGUAGE COURSES

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| AMSL 1102 | Elementary ASL 2 | |

Elementary-level-two courses have prerequisites. Click on the course number below for details.

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| ARAB 1102 | Elementary Arabic 2 |
| CHNS 1102 | Elementary Chinese 2 |
| FRNH 1102 | Elementary French 2 |
| GRMN 1102 | Elementary German 2 |
| HBRW 1102 | Elementary Hebrew 2 |
| ITLN 1102 | Elementary Italian 2 |
| JPNS 1102 | Elementary Japanese 2 |
| KORE 1102 | Elementary Korean 2 |
| PORT 1102 | Elementary Portuguese 2 |
| RSSN 1102 | Elementary Russian 2 |

INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL LANGUAGE COURSES

| Code | Title | Hours |
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| Intermediate-level courses have prerequisites. Click the course number for details. | | |
| American Sign Language | | |
| AMSL 2101 | Intermediate ASL 1 | |
| AMSL 2102 | Intermediate ASL 2 | |
| AMSL 3101 | Advanced ASL 1 | |
| AMSL 3102 | Advanced ASL 2 | |
| Arabic | | |
| ARAB 2101 | Intermediate Arabic 1 | |
| ARAB 2102 | Intermediate Arabic 2 | |
| ARAB 3101 | Advanced Arabic 1 | |
| Chinese | | |
| CHNS 2101 | Intermediate Chinese 1 | |
| CHNS 2102 | Intermediate Chinese 2 | |
| CHNS 3101 | Advanced Chinese 1 | |
| CHNS 3102 | Advanced Chinese 2 | |
| French | | |
| FRNH 2101 | Intermediate French 1 | |
| FRNH 2102 | Intermediate French 2 | |
| FRNH 3101 | Advanced French 1 | |
| FRNH 3102 | Advanced French 2 | |
| German | | |
| GRMN 2101 | Intermediate German 1 | |
| GRMN 2102 | Intermediate German 2 | |
| GRMN 3101 | Advanced German 1 | |
| GRMN 3102 | Advanced German 2 | |
| Hebrew | | |
| HBRW 2101 | Intermediate Hebrew 1 | |
| HBRW 2102 | Intermediate Hebrew 2 | |
| Italian | | |
| ITLN 2101 | Intermediate Italian 1 | |
| ITLN 2102 | Intermediate Italian 2 | |
| ITLN 3101 | Advanced Italian 1 | |
| ITLN 3102 | Advanced Italian 2 | |
| Japanese | | |
| JPNS 2101 | Intermediate Japanese 1 | |
| JPNS 2102 | Intermediate Japanese 2 | |
| JPNS 2301 | Intermediate Japanese Immersion 1 | |
| JPNS 2302 | Intermediate Japanese Immersion 2 | |
| JPNS 3101 | Advanced Japanese 1 | |

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| JPNS 3102 | Advanced Japanese 2 |
| JPNS 3301 | Advanced Japanese Immersion 1 |
| JPNS 3302 | Advanced Japanese Immersion 2 |
| Portuguese | |
| PORT 2101 | Intermediate Portuguese 1 |
| PORT 2102 | Intermediate Portuguese 2 |
| PORT 3101 | Advanced Portuguese 1 |
| Russian | |
| RSSN 2101 | Intermediate Russian 1 |
| RSSN 2102 | Intermediate Russian 2 |
| RSSN 3101 | Advanced Russian 1 |
| RSSN 3102 | Advanced Russian 2 |
| Spanish | |
| SPNS 2101 | Intermediate Spanish 1 |
| SPNS 2102 | Intermediate Spanish 2 |
| SPNS 3101 | Advanced Spanish 1 |
| SPNS 3102 | Advanced Spanish 2 |

INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL CULTURE, HISTORY, OR SOCIETY COURSES

| Code | Title | Hours |
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Intermediate-level culture, history, or society courses may have prerequisites. Click the course number for details.

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| American Sign Language | | |
| DEAF 1500 | Deaf People in Society | |
| DEAF 1550 | Dynamics of the Deaf/Blind Community: Culture, History, and Communication | |
| DEAF 2500 | Deaf History and Culture | |
| DEAF 2700 | ASL Linguistics | |
| Arabic | | |
| ARAB 1502 | Introduction to Arab Culture | |
| HIST 1185 | Introduction to Middle Eastern History | |
| HIST 1290 | Modern Middle East | |
| PHIL 1280 | Islam: Rituals, Traditions, and Debates | |
| Chinese | | |
| HIST 1500 | Modern China | |
| HIST 2308 | Law, Justice, and Society in Modern China | |
| PHIL 1290 | Chinese Philosophy and Religion | |
| French | | |
| FRNH 1280 | French Film and Culture | |
| FRNH 1501 | Introduction to French Culture | |
| Hebrew | | |
| HIST 1294 | History of the Jews in the Modern World | |
| INTL 2100 | Modern Israel | |
| JWSS 1285 | Jewish Religion and Culture | |
| or PHIL 1285 | Jewish Religion and Culture | |
| JWSS 1294 | History of the Jews in the Modern World | |
| Italian | | |
| ITLN 1251 | Dante's "Inferno" and Medieval Italian Culture | |
| ITLN 1290 | Realism and Modernism in Italian Film | |
| ITLN 1503 | Introduction to Italian Culture | |
| Japanese | | |
| HIST 1252 | Japanese Literature and Culture | |
| HIST 2351 | Modern Japan | |
| JPNS 1260 | Japanese Film | |

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| JPNS 1700 | Introduction to Japanese Pop Culture |
| Korean | |
| KORE 1800 | Introduction to Korean Pop Culture |
| Russian | |
| HIST 1286 | History of the Soviet Union |
| HIST 1390 | History of Espionage 2: Cold War Spies |
| Spanish | |
| ANTH 4500 | Latin American Society and Development |
| CLTR 3805 | Culture, Politics, and Media in Spain |
| HIST 1187 | Introduction to Latin American History |
| LACS 1220 | Latino, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies |
| SPNS 1240 | Latin American Film |
| SPNS 1504 | Cultural History of Spain |
| SPNS 1505 | Latin American Culture, History, and Politics |
| SPNS 3240 | Social Justice in Latin American and Latinx Film |
| SPNS 3715 | New Narratives: Latin America after 1989 |
| SPNS 3720 | Literature, Arts, and Poverty in Latin America |
| SPNS 4655 | Latin American Literature |