CLLC Online Language Placement Testing Instructions
MultiCAT Testing (Spanish, French, and German)

(Please read each link below carefully before beginning an exam.
You will only have one attempt to take the exam.)

COVID-19 Testing Protocol

Eligibility

Score/Placement Verification*

*Advisors and students: Placement Test scores for MultiCAT exams may require up to 7 business days to be posted to student records. Carmen test results may take longer as they may require additional verification activities or are graded individually by faculty. Questions? cllc@osu.edu

MultiCAT Remote Exam Details and Technical Tips

MultiCAT Student Testing Instructions

Covid-19 MultiCAT Testing

The MultiCAT placement exam is a multiple-choice, computer-adaptive test. No two students will be given the same set of questions. The test has no listening, speaking, or writing part.

In order to meet the needs of our students, we are making the MultiCAT language placement exam (Spanish, Spanish Heritage Learner Exam*, German, and French) available for remote testing.

Testing will be available Monday-Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm EST with the exception of university holidays.

Please allow up to 7 (seven) business days for your score to appear in your transcript.

NOTE: The use of automatic translators and other aids like books, textbooks, phones, etc. is expressly prohibited. This includes any access to online translator extensions on the webapps during the exam.

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MultiCAT Eligibility

To be able to access the MultiCAT exam, you must be a current or incoming student at OSU and have an active OSU name, # and password. Without your OSU login credentials, you will be unable to access this exam due to the exam design.

Please note that you SHOULD NOT be taking the MultiCAT if you:

a) Already have credit or a mark (as in a failing grade or an incomplete) for a college-level course in the world language for which you are testing whether from OSU or another university; and/or

b) Are currently enrolled in a college-level world language course in the SAME language for which you are testing.

c) Are a native speaker of the testing language.

d) You have never studied French/German/Spanish and wish to enroll in a beginner course.

If you meet any of the criteria above, please contact the CLLC (ellc@osu.edu) to discuss other pathways to test for existing world language knowledge.

Score/Placement Verification

If you place out of 1103, please note that it is a preliminary placement, and you will need to have your placement verified. Contact the appropriate coordinator below to learn more about how to verify your placement above 1103. Please make sure to note in your email if you are graduating so that your verification is prioritized due to the upcoming graduation deadlines.

Spanish Score Verification

French Score Verification

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Spanish Score Verification

Verification Process: Any student who places out of Spanish 1103 through the MultiCAT will then be required to take the Spanish Verification Exam in person at 120 Hagerty Hall. Email the cllc@osu.edu to let us know you are coming to take the Spanish verification exam. If you not a student at OSU main campus and need to take this exam, please email cllc@osu.edu for instructions.

French Score Verification

NOTE: Native French speakers are not eligible to take the placement test.

NOTE 2: The use of automatic translators and other aids like books, textbooks, phones, etc. is expressly prohibited.

Verification Process: Any student who places out of FREN 1103 through the MultiCAT will then be required to take the FREN 1103 Verification Exam. If the student passes this Verification Exam with a score of at least 80%, the placement earned by the student will be maintained. If the student does not pass this Verification Exam with a score of at least 80%, they will be placed into FREN 1103, with the option of dropping down one course level (into either FREN 1102 or FREN 1155).

Contact: Dr. Julie Parson (parson.30@osu.edu)

German Score Verification

Process: Any student who places out of GERMAN 1103 will need to complete additional testing and attend a virtual meeting with verification coordinator.

Contact: Dr. Budimka Uskokovic (uskovic.2@osu.edu)
MultiCAT Remote Exam Details and Technical Tips:

- You will have one attempt to take the exam so please make sure you have a good internet connection and a quiet space to take your exam.
- You will access an unlock code that will unlock your computer. The unlock code will not be posted if it is not an active testing time, see the beginning of this document for active testing times.
- The exam is not timed; however, you should complete it in one hour or less.
- If we feel that you took an unusually long time to complete the exam and you do not have a Student Life Disability Services (SLDS) accommodation, we may invalidate your exam score.
  - If you require accommodations as an OSU student, you will need to complete the registration process. Please, contact Michelle Salomone (salomone.6@osu.edu) for more information.

Browser Capabilities: The MultiCAT exam has been designed for capabilities of Firefox, Chrome, Safari browsers. Please enable JavaScript & Cookies before taking the tests.

Recommended Devices: PC, Mac, tablet and iPad. We do not recommend taking this exam on a smart phone.

- If you need a device, you can request an iPad from ODEE by filling out the form located here: http://go.osu.edu/dfservice
- Make sure to select “Request Use of Loaner iPad. Please be sure to include your shipping address in the comments and fill out the form as completely as possible.

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MultiCAT Student Testing Instructions:

1. Unlock your computer HERE.

2. Follow the link above by clicking on “HERE” - This will open a Word document that contains the link to the exam as well as the unlock code to enter onto the site.
   a. Select the language you wish to test in.
   b. Select the number of years of coursework you took in that language during high school.

3. Review the Academic Misconduct Statement and acknowledge.

4. Complete the Heritage language Survey (if applicable).

5. Begin the test.

6) Results will be shown at the end of the exam and will be emailed to your OSU email after the exam. If the score email never comes to you, please contact cllc@osu.edu.

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