

## **English Language Proficiency Screening**

1. To identify and support students who need help with English language, all undergraduate students who do not possess an approved transfer Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, or Associates of Arts and Science degree from a Washington state community college will be screened for English language proficiency at the time they enter the University of Washington. Screening methods and criteria will be determined by the Office of Admissions, the Registrar, and the Department of English. All revisions to screening requirements will be presented to the Faculty Council on Academic Standards for information. Students required to be screened must do so before they may register for classes.
2. Students who do not meet screening criteria will be required either (a) to participate in mandatory advising or (b) to participate in English diagnostic placement, as described below:
  - a. Students who enter the University with four years of (non-ESL) English credit from English-medium high schools stipulated by the Office of Admissions and who do not meet screening criteria will participate in mandatory advising. Such advising must be completed before the students may register for classes.
  - b. Students who do not enter the University with four years of (non-ESL) English credit from English medium high schools stipulated by the Office of Admissions and who do not meet screening criteria will be required to participate in English diagnostic placement and may be required to enroll in specified English courses to improve their English skills. Students who are required to undergo diagnostic placement must do so before they will be able to register for classes. Students whose diagnostic results indicate that they need to improve their English proficiency will be required to enroll in specified English classes. Enrollment in these classes must begin during the student's initial quarter of registration and must be continued in each succeeding quarter until the sequence of courses is completed. During any quarter in which students are enrolled in English 101, they will not be allowed to register for more than 18 credits.

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