

Writing and Language Placement

Writing Requirement and Placement

As part of the General Education Requirements for graduation, you must satisfy a Writing Requirement. All students, except those transferring to Stetson with an Associate of Arts degree, satisfy the **Writing Requirement** by completing an appropriate Stetson course at the level of **ENGL 101 or higher, with a grade of C or better**. The specific course that you will use to satisfy the requirement (i.e., your Writing Placement) depends on your skill level when you enter the University, and on whether you are bringing in credit for ENGL 101, either through transfer or as a result of earning high scores on AP or IB exams.

FAQs

When do I need to satisfy the Writing Requirement?

You are expected to complete the Writing Requirement during your first year at Stetson. Students placed into ENGL 100 must take it during the first semester, and will be taking ENGL 101 during the second semester. Students who are placed into ENGL 101 may take it either the first or second semester. Students who are interested in majoring in English should take ENGL 101 in the fall so that they can begin their work in the major during the spring.

How is my Writing Placement determined?

This depends on whether or not you are bringing in credit (e.g., transfer or AP/IB) for ENGL 101. If the answer is “no,” you will likely be placed into ENGL 101. If you are bringing in credit for ENGL 101, your Writing Placement will be determined by the quality of your Writing Portfolio. Most incoming students who already have credit for ENGL 101 will be placed into ENGL 109.

What is a Writing Portfolio and do I need to submit one?

*All incoming students bringing in credit for ENGL 101 **must** submit a writing portfolio. Students who are not bringing in credit for ENGL 101 **may** submit a writing portfolio if they wish to challenge their writing placement. The Writing Portfolio consists of samples of your best writing and should be submitted **no later than July 1st**. For precise guidelines and details, please visit the Writing Portfolio website:*

<http://www.stetson.edu/arts/writingprogram/portfolioplacement.php>

*For more comprehensive information and details regarding Writing Requirement and Placement, go to <http://www2.stetson.edu/advising/students/menu.htm>, click on “Placements, Waivers and Exemptions,” and then select “Writing.”

Modern Languages

If you have previously studied French, German, Russian, or Spanish and wish to continue your studies at Stetson, you must take a placement test. The placement test is online and multiple-choice. For more information see the Modern Language Placement Tests site:
<http://www.stetson.edu/artsci/language/placement.php>

All students may take Modern Language as a part of their General Education. Whether Modern Language is specifically required or an option that can be used to fill a requirement depends on the College or School in which you are enrolled. Please go to <http://www2.stetson.edu/advising/students/menu.htm>, click on “Placements, Waivers and Exemptions,” and then select “Modern Languages.”

Information Technology Proficiency Exam (Business Majors Only)

All School of Business majors must satisfy an Information Technology Proficiency Requirement. You can fulfill this requirement by taking the online Technology Proficiency Exam. If you do not pass this exam, you may retake it or complete MIS 100 or MIS 101.

For a limited time (this summer only), we will pay your exam fee. This is a savings of \$50! As of June 1st, you may contact JoAnne Longo at jlongo@stetson.edu to take advantage of this opportunity. This offer expires July 31st.