

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

ASK A QUESTION OR SUBMIT FEEDBACK ON THIS POLICY

All students must demonstrate proficiency in both oral and written English, which is the language of graduate study at Kent State. Judgment of such competence rests with the appropriate major department. Deficiency in English is cause for dismissal from any graduate program.

There is no universal foreign language or research tool requirement. Individual departments or discipline areas may have specific requirements. Students should consult their individual departments. The appropriate languages are determined by the student's major department. Language requirements (if any) must be completed before doctoral students are admitted to candidacy. Special arrangements for examinations in other languages must be made by the student's major department in consultation with the chair of the Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies. Where required, the language examination used to establish a student's language proficiency is determined by the student's department. The examination may be a departmentally designed and administered test. Dates for departmentally administered tests are set by the department.

GER 61901 and GER 61902 have been instituted to develop reading proficiency in German. Reading proficiency is demonstrated when the student completes both GER 61901 and GER 61902 with a minimum B grade. Credit hours earned in these courses are not applicable toward the completion of the hour requirement in a student's graduate program and do not count toward the minimum 8-credit-hour semester load required.