

## French Placement Test

### 1. Interpreting the results

The Brown placement test in French is comprised of two separate components. The first test can place students at the beginning and lower intermediate levels, but for more accurate placement, students obtaining an intermediate or higher score are requested to take the second part. This is what you need to know to interpret your score:

#### If your result on **Test 1** is:

above 404

from 377 to 404

from 235 to 376 included

below 235

Write down your score and take **Test 2**

Plan to register for FREN 0400

Plan to register for FREN 0300

Plan to register for FREN 0100

#### If your result on **Test 2** is:

95 or above

See an advisor\* about possibly taking a 1000-level course

From 80 to 94

Plan to register for FREN 0600, FREN 0720, FREN 0750 or FREN 0760

From 70 to 79

If your **test 1** score is:

- 450 or above: plan to register for FREN 0600, FREN 0720, FREN 0750 or FREN 0760
- under 450: plan to register for FREN 0500
- From 60 and 69: plan to register for FREN 0500
- Under 60: plan to register for FREN 0400

Please write down your scores since you will need them if you wish to discuss your placement with a French placement advisor\*.

### 2. Determining which French course you should take this semester

A test is just one piece of information and, especially if your score is borderline and/or does not correspond to what you expected, you should discuss your placement with an advisor from the French and Francophone department. We recommend that after the test, you take the following steps:

1. Read the course description in which you placed (on the French and Francophone Studies web page or in Banner.)
2. Go to the bookstore and check out the textbook(s) for that course.

If the placement you received seems right, start in that course (you may consult with your instructor later if you have doubts or questions.)

If there seems to be a mismatch between your level and your placement you should consult with an advisor. Make sure you bring your test scores and be prepared to describe what you have done in French so far, including books you have read and textbooks you have used.

\*Placement advisors will also hold office hours during the first week of classes. Call French and Francophone Studies at 401-863-2567 or email french\_francophone\_studies to find out when these will be held. They will also participate in the Academic Expo.

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