

Foreign Language Assessment Instructions for New & Current Students

Dear Bearcat,

Welcome to Lander University!

We want you to excel in your classes at Lander University, and we look forward to providing you with the tools to do so. The Foreign Language Assessment is one such tool.

If you are interested in taking a foreign language, you can register for SPAN 101 or FR 101 without taking this assessment. If you have experience in French or Spanish, and are interested in an upper-level foreign language course, please take the online Foreign Language Assessment to determine the course, which will best match your language proficiency. See instructions below. Please note instructions differ slightly if you are a new or returning student.

Your success is our priority. If you have any questions regarding this assessment, please contact the Office of English and Foreign Languages at mjohnson@lander.edu and see [here](#) for additional details. We look forward to seeing you on campus!

Ciao! Au revoir! ¡Hasta pronto!

Instructions for New Students

1. *If you are interested in an upper-level foreign language course, please complete the Foreign Language Assessment as soon as possible following your acceptance to Lander University.*
2. *Please disable your pop-up blocker in order to complete this test.*
3. *Please ensure that you have audio capability if you are taking the Spanish Placement Assessment.*

How to Begin the Foreign Language Assessment (New Students):

- Go to <https://lander.blackboard.com> .
- When logging in, please use your temporary Blackboard ID. This is the Lander ID number given to you by the Admissions Office with a lowercase “t” in front of the number. For example, if your Lander ID number is LO0998877, your temporary Blackboard ID will be tLO0998877. **This is case sensitive.**
- The password is your date of birth (MMDDYY). For example, if your birthday is July, 04, 1995, your password would be 070495.
- Click on Foreign Language Assessment.
- Choose either Spanish Placement Test OR French Placement Test, located on the black bar to the left of this page underneath, "Foreign Language Assessment" and "Information." *
- Each assessment is timed so please pace yourself. If you are taking the Spanish Assessment, please ensure you are able to hear the audio.

- After you submit your test for scoring you will get an immediate result. Please view the PDF titled “What Does My Score Mean?” for your recommended placement.
- This result will then be processed within 5-7 business days and is reflected on Bearcat Web under the Student, Student Records, and Student Test Scores tab.
- If you have any questions, please contact the Office of English and Foreign Languages at mjohnson@lander.edu, view this [link](#), and see the Foreign Language Placement Policy.

*If you are using a cellphone, our office recommends using a computer instead as the formatting of Blackboard will appear differently on a cellphone.

Instructions for Current Students

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How to Begin the Foreign Language Assessment (Current Students):

- Login to Blackboard. (This login information should be your regular login.)
- Click on “Courses.”
- Click on “Course Catalog” to the top right of Blackboard.
- Under the “Browse Categories,” click the drop down arrow, select “Self-Enrollment Courses,” and click “Go.”
- Click the drop down arrow beside ENGFL-Placement, click “enroll”, and then click “submit.”
- The course will now appear within your “My Courses.”
- Once you are into this course, read the introduction and instructions, and then click “Spanish Placement Test” or “French Placement Test, which are located on the black bar on the left of the screen underneath “Foreign Language Assessment” and “Information.”*
- Each assessment is timed so please pace yourself. If you are taking the Spanish Assessment, please ensure you are able to hear the audio.
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