

The University of Rhode Island
Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures
Foreign Language Incentive Program Proficiency Credit

Section 1

_____ Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____ ID Number

Major _____ College _____

Permission is granted for Foreign Language Incentive Program Proficiency Credit in:

_____ Course Number _____ Title _____ Credits

I certify that the student named above meets the criteria below and therefore qualifies for Incentive credit for _____. (Please provide course number and title of course.)

_____ Languages Department Chairperson _____ Date _____ Student's Academic Dean _____ Date

Section 2

Enrollment Services _____

A processing fee (payable to Enrollment Services and equal to the Proficiency Exam fee) and the "Foreign Language Incentive Program Proficiency Credit" form, approved as indicated, are required to receive the appropriate incentive credit. This will be done at the end of the semester after grades are finalized. **Students must provide proof in the form of a copy of their high school transcript** that they had the appropriate background to be eligible for the requested additional credit.

Foreign Language Incentive Program

Students who have taken language in high school are eligible for additional credit, which is granted according to the number of years of high school language they have taken. Students should submit a high school transcript to show how much of the language they had in high school.

To determine eligibility for Incentive Language Credit, assess the student’s record as follows:

1. The student was properly placed **in their first language course at URI**, according to the placement guidelines for the language. If the student did not seek out advising on placement and is misplaced, they shall not be eligible for incentive credit.
2. The student may receive incentive credit for the preceding course in the language sequence upon successful completion (grade C or above) of their **first college-level language course, which they must take at URI**.

a. For many languages,* credit is granted as follows:

First Course	Incentive Granted	Eligible with (High school transcript must be provided)
102 (Beginning II)	101	Level one was highest level of high school study
103 (Intermediate I)	102	Level two was highest level of high school study
104 or 110 (Intermediate II)	103	Level three was highest level of high school study
204 or 205 (High Intermediate I)	104	Level four (or higher) of high school study, or Silver Seal of Biliteracy
206 or higher (High Intermediate II)	205	Gold Seal of Biliteracy, or heritage/native speaking ability

*American Sign Language, French, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish all follow the 101-104 sequence. Arabic, Chinese, German, Ancient Greek, Japanese, and Latin have different numbering systems; consult the current catalog to determine the semester sequence.

b. A student may receive incentive credit upon completion of an upper level (300-level or higher) non-sequential course (i.e., usually sixth semester or later), if it is their first college-level language course and it is taken at URI. Incentive credit is granted for a course at one level lower than the completed course and will be granted as an “XX” course. Here are a few possible examples:

First Course	Incentive Credit Granted For
Any 300-level SPA course	SPA 2XX
Any 300-level FRN course	FRN 2XX

3. A student is eligible for no more than one incentive credit course/language (3 or 4 credits, depending on the language).