

Information regarding Language courses and Placement Test

【Center for Language Education and Research (CLER)】

■ Language Courses (Other than English)

【FLA Students】

In order to fulfill the language requirement, FLA students must earn 4 credits (8 credits for transfer students) in ONE LANGUAGE. Courses offered are as follows:

- Japanese (English medium instruction)
- Chinese, French, Spanish (English medium instruction)
- German, Italian, Korean, Russian, Portuguese, Latin, Indonesian, Tagalog, Arabic, Thai, Persian, Cambodian, Burmese, Turkish, Vietnamese, Hindi, Swahili (Japanese medium instruction)

For details, please refer to the BULLETIN OF INFORMATION 2025-26 <FLA> p. 167~

https://www.sophia.ac.jp/eng/studentlife/academic_services/bulletin/bulletin_FLA/index.html.

【SPSF Journalism Students】

Journalism students must choose a language in order to fulfill the language requirement of Specialized Education (SE), Compulsory Elective courses. Students must earn 8 credits in ONE LANGUAGE selected from the Language Courses counted as “Courses taught in English” such as Chinese, French, Spanish or Japanese by the CLER. For details, please refer to the BULLETIN OF INFORMATION 2025-26 <SPSF >2_Curriculum p.29 ~

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【For all the SPSF Students except for Journalism students】

For details, please refer to the BULLETIN OF INFORMATION 2025-26 <SPSF>2_Curriculum p.33~

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【FST Students】

For details, please refer to the BULLETIN OF INFORMATION 2025-26 <FST>2_Curriculum p.27

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■ Japanese language program and Japanese Placement Test

Students who wish to take Japanese language courses should review the following video and booklet to prepare for Japanese language course registration.

➤ ”Japanese Language Program Autumn Semester 2025“brochure [[Download PDF](#)]

➤ Japanese Language Program Guidance (YouTube).

<https://youtu.be/KRIkzB5dlxs>

Please have the “Japanese Language Program Autumn Semester 2025“brochure handy and watch this guidance.

➤ Japanese Placement Test

Students who wish to register for Japanese language courses should take the “Japanese Placement Test” (JPT) offered by the CLER. Students will be assigned to the appropriate level and course according to the results of the test. Please

note if students fail to take the test, they cannot take the Japanese course this semester.

Students who have never studied Japanese do not need to take the placement test. Instead of taking the JPT, submit the application for JPN111 (JAPANESE 1) to the CLER office by the deadline (see p.9 -10 of “Japanese Language Program Autumn Semester 2025“brochure). Students will be assigned to one of the sections of JPN111. If students fail to register for it, they cannot take the Japanese course in the relevant semester.

For details regarding the Japanese language program and course registration for Japanese, please refer to “Japanese Language Program Autumn Semester 2025“brochure. Also check My Sophia > From University > “Language courses・LLC” for information after Autumn semester starts from September 21.

■Chinese, French, Spanish, German, Italian and Korean Placement Test

(German, Italian and Korean courses are taught in Japanese)

Students who have previously studied or used the language of the course you are registering for must take the Placement Test, of which details are explained in the attached PDF file.

【25 秋／Autumn25】初習言語プレイスメント・テスト_Online Placement Test.pdf
