

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS – B.A. & B.S. and INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – B.A. & B.S.

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Elementary Level Foreign Language Courses

ALL GVPT and IR students must complete the entire elementary level of a foreign language. The courses outlined below comprise the entire elementary level for each listed language. For languages with multiple elementary courses, you must complete or demonstrate proficiency through the end of the entire sequence. Only taking the first course in the sequence will NOT fulfill this requirement. If you test into the final course in the elementary sequence, you must demonstrate proficiency through the entire elementary level by successfully completing that course. If you have prior language experience in a language NOT listed on this sheet, please contact GVPT Advising to determine how to proceed. Language waivers offered through the GVPT department DO NOT impact language placement through language testing offered at UMD.

ARABIC

ARAB101 & ARAB102— 6 credits

CHINESE

CHIN121 & CHIN122—8 credits

FRENCH

FREN103—4 credits

GERMAN

GERS103—4 credits

GREEK

GREK101 & GREK102— 8 credits

GREK111 & GREK112—6 credits

HEBREW

HEBR106 & HEBR107—8 credits

ITALIAN

ITAL103—4 credits

JAPANESE

JAPN101 & JAPN102—12 credits

KOREAN

KORA101 & KORA102—6 credits

LATIN

LATN101 & LATN102—8 credits

PERSIAN

PERS103 & PERS104—6 credits

PORTUGUESE

PORT103—4 credits

RUSSIAN

RUSS101 & RUSS102—12 credits

SPANISH

SPAN103—4 credits

*SLLC *self instructional language courses* may be approved on a case-by-case basis.*