

## The Department of Classical Languages and Cultures Prior Learning Assessment Policy and Procedure

The Department of Classical Languages and Cultures believes that students who have studied a Classical language prior to entrance into WSU have the right to earn prior learning credit in that language.

Those students who place (according to a Department administered test) into Classical language classes (either Latin or Greek) higher than the 1010 level, and attain a grade of C or better in that class, **may earn “Pass” credits for sequenced language courses below that placement level.**

In order to qualify for these credits, students must fill out a “Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) Registration Form” (available in Depts. of Religion, Philosophy, and Classics, 370 Millett). By the 9<sup>th</sup> week of the semester, students should submit their PLA form to the Department’s Administrative Assistant to obtain the Department Chair’s signature. Once approval has been obtained, students will take the PLA Registration form to the Bursar, along with a check for \$150. As long as the student passes the class with a C or better, this payment will ensure the receipt of PLA credits, which will be added to the student’s transcript and will count toward graduation. See the following chart for details:

Student takes placement test	Student registers for:	Student passes with a C or better	Student submits PLA form to Dept.	Student takes form & \$150 to Bursar	Student earns ___# credits on transcript	Courses earned:
√	1010	√	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
√	1020	√	√	√	3 credits	1010
√	2010	√	√	√	6 credits	1010, 1020
√	2020	√	√	√	9 credits	1010, 1020 2010
√	Any 3000/4000 level course	√	√	√	12 credits	1010, 1020 2020, 2020

Students may also earn language credits for AP Latin. This credit will not be duplicated. However, qualifying students may earn additional credits (beyond those earned through the AP exam) through PLA.

If students have any questions about which level is appropriate for them, they should speak with their instructor for guidance.

### Transfer Credit

Transfer students wishing to have PLA credits transcribed will do so in their first semester at WSU. If this is missed, the student may start the process later.

### Students who began studies at WSU prior to Fall 2016

Students who qualified for credit under the pre-PLA policy may apply for credit under the current PLA policy.