

**To:** PFW Senate Executive Committee

**From:** Stephen Buttes, at-large Senator for the College of Liberal Arts

**Subject:** Update of Academic Regulation on Foreign Language Placement Processes

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WHEREAS, [SD 16-45](#) stipulates the Academic Regulations for PFW; and,

WHEREAS, Academic Regulation 3.2.4 stipulates regulations for placement of students in foreign language courses; and,

WHEREAS, the current regulation no longer expresses current placement practices, creating confusion for students; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders continues to use a foreign-language placement exam for American Sign Language in which placement scores get directly entered into Banner for students and advisors to review; and,

WHEREAS, new language has been approved by faculty governance structures in the Department of International Language and Culture Studies;

BE IT RESOLVED, that Academic Regulation 3.2.4 be revised as stipulated below.

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#### **Current Academic Regulation 3.2.4**

**([link to the section of the Catalog](#) containing the relevant language from SD 16-45):**

"3.2.4: Foreign language. A student who has studied a foreign language before entering PFW should take a foreign- language placement examination before continuing study in that language."

#### **Revised Language for Academic Regulation 3.2.4**

**(approved by the Faculty of the Department of International Language and Culture Studies, 11/30/2022):**

"3.2.4: Foreign language. A student who has studied a foreign language before entering PFW **and does not have transfer credit** should take a foreign-language placement examination **or complete the departmental placement process** before continuing study in that language."