



BRYN ATHYN COLLEGE

Foreign Language Independent Assessment Instructions (October 2014)

Students unable to demonstrate foreign language proficiency through any of the means outlined on the Foreign Language Requirement Waiver Form may obtain independent assessment from a qualified authority in the target language. This approach might be necessary for foreign languages that are not typically offered in American high schools or on standard or online tests. Below are the guidelines for completing this independent assessment process.

- The student is responsible for locating a qualified authority in the language who is willing to administer an exam. A qualified authority is either someone who is affiliated with an accredited institution or embassy and who is familiar with language-level designations at U.S. universities, or a native speaker who can reasonably assess written and spoken fluency. Native speakers not affiliated with an accredited institution must first be approved by the chair of the Core committee.
- Following the assessment, the examiner should forward results to the Core chair, along with a detailed description or copy of the exam and any written work completed by the student as part of the testing.
- It is recommended that students provide a stamped envelope for the examiner addressed to: Robin Cooper, Core Committee Chair, PO Box 717, 801 Tomlinson Road, Bryn Athyn PA 19009-0717.
- Alternatively, the examiner may give the forms directly to the student in a sealed envelope that has been signed by the examiner across the seal. The student must deliver the evaluation forms to the Core Committee Chair in the sealed envelope.
- The student is responsible for any costs associated with this independent assessment process.

If you have questions, contact:

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