

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Curriculum Guide for Academic Year 2012-2013

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Students planning to **transfer** to a four-year college or university should refer to the ASSIST web site at www.assist.org and **consult a counselor** before beginning a program of study. Please call 562-938-4561 for the LAC, or 562-938-3920 for PCC to schedule a meeting with a counselor. Students may also wish to visit the Transfer Center on either campus.

Program of study leading to: **Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree**

REQUIRED COURSES : Complete 15 UNITS from ONE LANGUAGE and five additional units from the courses listed below:

		UNITS	In Progress	Completed Grade
LANG 1	Elementary Language (CHIN, FREN, GER, ITAL, JAPAN, SPAN, or VIET)	5		
† LANG 2	Elementary Language (CHIN, FREN, GER, ITAL, JAPAN, or SPAN)	5		
† LANG 3 OR SPAN 9	Intermediate Language (CHIN, FREN, GER, ITAL, JAPAN, or SPAN) OR Spanish for Spanish Speakers	5		
† LANG 4 OR SPAN 10	Intermediate Language (CHIN, FREN, GER, ITAL, JAPAN, or SPAN) OR Spanish for Spanish Speakers	5		
† LANG 25A	Adv. Lang. (FREN, GER, or SPAN): Culture in Literature	3		
† LANG 25B	Adv. Lang. (FREN, GER, or SPAN): History	3		
† LANG 25C	Adv. Lang. (FREN, GER, or SPAN): Politics, Current Events	3		
† LANG 25D	Adv. Lang. (FREN, GER, or SPAN): Literature	3		
† LANG 8AD	Spoken Language (FREN (3 units), GER (3 units), or SPAN (3 units)—(max. 3 units)	3		
TOTAL UNITS		20		

For graduation with an **Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree with a major in Foreign Language**:

- Minimum Unit Requirements:** Any course that appears on a curriculum guide and the General Education Pattern (Plan A) may fulfill both major and general education requirements (Approved by College Curriculum Committee Spring 2012). For this degree, complete a minimum of 60 units in courses numbered 1-599. Please note that additional elective units may be required to meet this minimum based upon courses selected to fulfill General Education for the Associate Degree.

Foreign Language Major:	20	units
General Education/A.A.	25	units
Minimum Total Units :	60	units

- Scholarship:** Maintain an **overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0** ("C" average) based on all accredited college work applied to the degree, no matter where completed. For this **field of concentration, complete each course above with a grade of "C" or better**, or "P" if course is graded on a P/NP basis.
- Residence for the Degree:** Complete at least 30 units of the required 60 in residence at LBCC, or complete in residence at LBCC at least 20 units within the last 30 units of work applied to the degree.
- Residence for the Field of Concentration:** Complete fifty percent (50%) or more of the unit requirements for this field of concentration in residence; this means at **least 10 units** of the required 20 must be **completed at Long Beach City College**. Credit earned by exam, where applicable, may be included.

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5. **General Education and Proficiency Requirements:** Complete the required A.A./A.S. General Education and Proficiency requirements*, otherwise known as "Plan A". For Plan A requirements, refer to the general catalog or view it online at <http://osca.lbcc.edu>.
6. Complete and submit the degree application form to the Admissions and Records office during your final semester of course work. These forms are available in the Admissions and Records office, or online at <http://admissions.lbcc.edu/>. Refer to the Schedule of Classes (<http://schedule.lbcc.edu>) and click the "Important Dates" link to view the actual deadline for each semester.

*The requirements for general education/proficiency and the field of concentration (major) need to be from the same catalog year. This catalog year may be any year between the year of initial enrollment to the present, provided continuous enrollment is maintained throughout. See the catalog for definition of "continuous enrollment".

**Program of study leading to:
Certificate of Achievement**

REQUIRED COURSES—Complete coursework through the fourth level in one of the foreign languages taught at LBCC.

REQUIRED COURSES			In Progress	Completed
	LANG 1	Elementary Language	5	
†	LANG 2	Elementary Language	5	
†	LANG 3	Intermediate Language	5	
†	LANG 4	Intermediate Language	5	
TOTAL UNITS			20	

For graduation with a **Foreign Language Certificate of Achievement:**

1. Complete each of the **REQUIRED COURSES** listed above with a **minimum grade point average of 3.0 ("B" average)**.
2. Complete fifty percent (50%) or more of the unit requirements for this field of concentration in residence; this means at **least 10 units** of the required 20 must be **completed at Long Beach City College**. Credit earned by exam, where applicable, may be included.
3. Complete and submit the certificate application form to the Admissions and Records office during your final semester of course work. These forms are available in the Admissions and Records office, or online at <http://admissions.lbcc.edu/>. Refer to the Schedule of Classes (<http://schedule.lbcc.edu>) and click the "Important Dates" link to view the actual deadline for each semester.

Suggested Sequence of Classes

This is not an educational plan, as course offerings, student schedules, and circumstances vary. Students must meet all the prerequisites in order to be eligible for the sequence of courses.

A suggested full-time sample sequence of courses for this program is as follows:

<u>First Semester</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Second Semester</u>	<u>Units</u>
Elem. Language 1	5	† Elem. Language 2	5
<u>Third Semester</u>		<u>Fourth Semester</u>	
† Intermediate Language 3 or 9	5	† Intermediate Language 4 or 10	5

Career Opportunities

Students following the Proficiency Emphasis develop a competency in at least one foreign language, providing an important entry-level skill for those aspiring to work in the international arena as well as preparing for baccalaureate work

The Language **Certificate of Achievement** (offered only in French, German, Japan, and Spanish) verifies for a potential employer that the student can communicate (verbally and in writing) in a wide range of situations, for a variety of purposes at a designated level for effective communication in a business or related professional setting.

This **Associate Degree** provides a greater level of competency than the certificate. The degree also offers an added dimension of cultural knowledge and understanding in region(s) where the language is spoken. The degree would benefit those wishing to enter a variety of industries or business settings that compete in an international market, as well as preparing for transfer to a four-year university in a foreign language program.

Program Mission and Outcomes

To offer formal transfer requirement courses in Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Spanish, and Vietnamese; to teach students to communicate effectively in a foreign language and appreciate culture; to promote international understanding and exchange; to provide a pool of students to fill positions in the community.

1. Students will demonstrate reading comprehension at the appropriate level in the target language.
2. Students will demonstrate aural comprehension at the appropriate level in the target language.
3. Students will formulate ideas orally at the appropriate level in the target language.
4. Students will formulate ideas in writing at the appropriate level in the target language.

Legend

† This course has a prerequisite. Prerequisite courses must be complete with at least a “C” or “P” grade. Refer to the General Catalog (<http://www.lbcc.edu/cat/index.html>), the Schedule of Classes (<http://schedule.lbcc.edu/>), or the online Credit Course Outline (<http://wdb-asir.lbcc.edu/coursecurriculum/coursedetails/>) for specific prerequisite information.