Communication Sciences and Disorders

Placement Test Protocol for American Sign Language (ASL)

Students, with prior knowledge of ASL, who want to place into ANY level of ASL must start by taking the ASL I test in Blackboard. Students who score 79 or below must take ASL I. Students who score 80 or higher on the test will 1) be eligible to register for ASL II if seats are available; and 2) will have the option to make an appointment to place into a higher level of ASL or test out of ASL completely. To access the Blackboard test students must:

1. Request access from the CSD Faculty member during BSO Class Registration, or
2. Send an email from their OHIO University student email account (EX: zz000000@ohio.edu) to: Becky Brooks, Coordinator of American Sign Language Series, at brooksb1@ohio.edu
   a. In the subject line enter: ASL I PLACEMENT TEST REQUEST
   b. In the body of your email include your
      i. Last name, first name
      ii. ohio.edu email address
      iii. PID #

The student will be given/sent a link and instructions to access the online test in Blackboard.

Students who have passed the ASL I test with an 80% or better who would like to take a placement test for upper level ASL courses should contact Becky Brooks, Coordinator of American Sign Language Series, at brooksb1@ohio.edu
   a. In the subject line enter: ASL ADVANCED PLACEMENT TEST REQUEST
   b. In the body of your email include your
      i. Last name, first name
      ii. ohio.edu email address
      iii. PID #

FAQ:

Q. How many times may I take the online Blackboard ASL placement test?
   A: One time.

Q. How do I get my test results?
   A: Results should then be emailed to the student.

Q. What if I feel I was placed too low?
   A: If you feel you were placed too low be sure to attend the class you were given permission to register for and talk to the instructor at the level where you were placed. The instructor will let you know where to go from this point.

Q. Is there a test I can take to place out of my language requirement?
   A: You must take the placement test for ASL I on Blackboard and complete additional testing with an ASL instructor. If you are a BA student, a score of ASL IV mastery will complete your language requirement. If you are a BS, a score in the 2000 level will complete your language requirement.

After you submit the placement test…Click OK
Score of 79 or lower and you must take CSD 1110

Score of 80 or higher take CSD 1120
OR contact brooksb1@ohio.edu for information to place into a higher level.