

Bulletin change request 4:

Correct and simplify policy language with regard to foreign language and mathematics placement testing in the “Advanced Placement by Examination” section of the Undergraduate Bulletin.

Background:

This change is being submitted at the request of the Assistant and Associate Dean’s Council (AADC) in an effort to clarify current practice and correct errors listed in the bulletin. New web links are proposed to direct students to correct websites where policies are readily maintained and updated.

Current policy as listed is inaccurate. For example, not all freshmen are required to take a math placement exam. Transfers must also take placement exams but the current policy does not instruct student on where to retrieve information about requirements. The proposed edits more accurately describe current practice and direct students to correct version of placement test policy.

This amendment was approved by majority vote of the Faculty Admissions Committee and has received the support of the Assistant and Associate Deans Committee as well as from the Departments of Mathematics and Languages, Literatures and Cultures. Changes and deletions are highlighted in yellow below.

Contact: Questions regarding these changes should be directed to committee chair, Jodi Spillane (SPILLAJL@mailbox.sc.edu), Thomas Cooper Library.

Current Bulletin Text:	Proposed Bulletin Text:
<p>Advanced Placement by Examination</p> <p>[Items 1-4 redacted. Edits to these items were approved by Faculty Senate in December 2015]</p> <p>5. Tests in foreign languages and mathematics are required of all new freshmen. Transfer students may be required to take the same tests. Further information is available electronically</p>	<p>Advanced Placement by Examination</p> <p>[Items 1-4 redacted. Edits to these items were approved by Faculty Senate in December 2015]</p> <p>5. Tests in foreign languages and mathematics are required of all new freshmen. Transfer students may be required to take the same tests. Further information is available electronically at http://orientation.sc.edu. Candidates who do not pass a particular test are not permitted to repeat that test. The required credits must be obtained instead by enrollment and satisfactory completion of the course(s) involved. Specific information about test content and policies</p>

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