

CLEP vs. Proficiency

for Foreign Language courses

Which one is right for me?

	CLEP	Proficiency
Credit offered for these courses	GER 101, 102, 201, 202 FRN 101, 102, 201, 202 SPA 101, 102, 201, 202	GER 101, 102 FRN 101, 102 SPA 101, 102, 201
Credit Granting	Potential 6-12 credits Score 20 - 49: No credit Score 50 - 62*: Credit for 101, 102 Score 63*- 80: Credit for 101, 102, 201, 202 *59 for French will give second level credit	Potential 3 credits Score 0-69%: No credit Score 70% +: Credit for course
Format of test	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer-based • Most tests have a 90-minute time limit • Tests with essays have a 120-minute time limit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tests for Spanish 101 and 102 are computer-based • All other proficiency exams are paper/pencil • There is no time limit for proficiency tests
Cost	\$105.00 (\$85.00 for CLEP and \$20.00 for Kishwaukee)	\$45.00
Timeline	Students will know the results immediately after testing, except if an essay was written. Official scores are sent by CLEP to requested institution (average 2-3 weeks).	Students usually know within one week whether they have received a passing score or not. Kish Student Services applies the credit.
Transferability	CLEP credit is granted at more than 2900 colleges and universities nationwide, but each institution determines if it will accept CLEP and at which score credit will be granted. Be sure to talk to an academic advisor or check with your future college to confirm its CLEP credit policy.	Passing the proficiency exam grants credit for the course. Be sure to talk to an academic advisor or check with your future college to confirm its transfer policy.
Process	Register online at CLEP.collegeboard.org/started . Pay the \$85.00 CLEP fee online. Contact Kishwaukee College Testing Services at 815-825-9841 to schedule an appointment. Pay \$20.00 proctor fee in Business Office prior to appointment.	Call or visit Student Services to start the process. Pay the \$45.00 fee in the Business Office. Contact Kishwaukee College Testing Services at 815-825-9841 to schedule an appointment.