

Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center Associate of Arts in Foreign Language DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The underlying goal at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC) is for all students to receive a comprehensive education that enables each student to carry out linguist duties and responsibilities and be a contributing member of society. To achieve this goal, students who receive an Associate of Arts in Foreign Language are required to show competence in general education, as well as knowledge of and skills in the foreign language studied while in residence at the Presidio of Monterey (POM). General education courses introduce the student to the methods of inquiry as well as the achievements of the major academic disciplines. While the Institute is responsible for providing the education necessary for the foreign language major, students have a variety of means to demonstrate their competence in the general education requirements. The expectation and goal of the Institute is for students to develop a multidisciplinary interest in learning that will continue and expand throughout their lives.

SECTION I

Degree Requirements

A student may receive the Associate of Arts in Foreign Language (AA/FL) degree by satisfying the following requirements recommended by the DLIFLC Academic Senate, reviewed by the DLIFLC Board of Visitors, and established by the DLIFLC Governing Board.

Applying for the Associate of Arts (AA) Degree

Students seeking the award of the Associate of Arts in Foreign Language degree must submit a two-page application to the AA Degree Office and proof of military/government status and official transcripts documenting general education credit. Transfer grades must be provided through transcripts of the original grade granting institute. The DLIFLC AA Degree Office will check the student's eligibility before the applications are processed and will confer the degree to the student once all degree requirements have been met. The AA Degree Office has the right to review and approve or disapprove to transfer any general education course.

AA Degree Requirements:

The following requirements must be met prior to the awarding of a degree:

A. Diploma Requirements: Students must fulfill the DLIFLC diploma requirements as stipulated in DLIFLC Regulation 350-1. Students completing the Basic program must receive a minimum score of L2/R2/S1+ on the Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) and have a cumulative grade point average of a "C" (2.0) or higher. No end of

course grades below a “D” (1.0) will be accepted. Students completing **only** the Intermediate program must receive a minimum DLPT score of L2+/R2+/S2 and complete all requirements the same as the Basic Program with one additional 3-semester-credit lower division course in Critical Thinking. If the student completed the Basic Level course and the Intermediate level course, the Critical Thinking requirement has been fulfilled.

B. Transfer Grades: All transfer courses counting toward the AA Degree must have a grade of C (2.0) or higher. Grades for transfer courses will not be included on DLIFLC transcripts and will not affect the cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) earned at DLIFLC for the major. Transfer courses will be evaluated for transfer at the discretion of the AA Degree Office.

C. Credit Requirement: To satisfy the credit requirement for graduation, the student must complete a minimum of 63 semester credits of college-level work. This credit is obtained through 45 credits of DLIFLC coursework (including 9 credits of language general education) and 18 credits of outside General Education requirement. Outside General Education may be fulfilled by coursework from other accredited institutes or military training accredited by the Academic Council on Education. Quarter credits may be substituted for semester credits through an arithmetic conversion process where 1.5 quarter credits equals 1.0 semester credit. See Section III for more information on transferring credits.

D. Residence Requirement: The student must satisfy the residence requirement for graduation by successfully completing (as described above) a Basic or Intermediate program taken at the DLIFLC, Presidio of Monterey.

E. Active Duty Requirement: Students may continue to complete the general education requirements for the AA degree after they have completed their language studies for the major at DLIFLC. However, upon completion of all degree requirements, students must still be a member or dependent of a member of the United States Armed Forces (Active, Reserve or National Guard), or be employed by the U.S. Federal Government. Students who are no longer enrolled at DLIFLC need to provide a copy of their most recent Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) to the DLIFLC AA Degree Office. Spouses of any of the above with qualifying identification card must also submit a copy of both their and their spouses ID

SECTION II

General Education Requirements

DLIFLC does not teach all the required general education courses a student needs to receive an AA/FL degree. To satisfy general education requirements, students must complete at least 27 semester credits, which must include the minimum number of credits indicated in each of these general education areas listed below. This credit is obtained through 9 credits of DLIFLC language general education and 18 credits of outside

General Education requirement. Outside General Education may be fulfilled by coursework from other accredited institutes or military training accredited by the Academic Council on Education. DLIFLC will award degrees only to students who have demonstrated competency in the following General Education (GE) areas:

<u>General Education Requirements</u>	<u>Semester Credits</u>
<i>Please contact the AA Degree office if you have questions on transferable courses.</i>	
<p>AREA A English: Written Communication Applicable courses must satisfy the writing and composition requirement for graduation of the delivering institution.</p>	<p>3 (Non-DLIFLC GE)</p>
<p>AREA B Critical Thinking (<i>Satisfied through MS 120 & 220</i>) Logical thought, critical evaluation, and clear and precise expression. Courses in this area have an oral presentation component allowing students to demonstrate their ability to persuade, debate, argue or inform in a clear, concise and logical manner. Emphasis is on content and delivery in the foreign language.</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>AREA C Science (Lab is optional.) Understanding scientific methods and achievements of at least one of the natural or physical sciences.</p>	<p>3 (Non-DLIFLC GE)</p>
<p>AREA D Humanities (<i>Satisfied through AS 140, 240 & 340</i>) Appreciation, understanding, and sensitivity for artistic and cultural creation and expression. Courses in this area have components in the fine and performing arts, the literature of the language as well as the philosophy and religion of the language area.</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>AREA E Social Science A general understanding of the Social Sciences. Courses fulfilling this requirement may come from one of the the following Social Sciences: Anthropology and Archaeology, Economics, Ethnic Studies, Gender Studies, Geography, History, Interdisciplinary Social or Behavioral Science, Political Science, Government, Legal Institutions, Psychology, Sociology, and Criminology.</p>	<p>3 (Non-DLIFLC GE)</p>
<p>AREA F Technology Hands-on use of computers in today's work environment. Use of desktop computers; techniques of word processing, databases and spreadsheets; web searches, concerns of virus prevention and detection; and data security, includes computer programming and networking. (Computer history, hardware design, and computer maintenance are not acceptable.) This requirement must be</p>	<p>3 (Non-DLIFLC GE)</p>

fulfilled within five years of conferral of the AA Degree.
AREA G Area Studies (*Satisfied through AS 140, 240 & 340*) 3
Studies of the foreign language cultural area(s). Acquaints the student to the geography, history, and political and economic system(s) of the foreign language area(s).

AREA H Physical Education 3
(Satisfied through Basic Military Training) (Non-DLIFLC GE)
Appreciation and understanding of the physical skills and health knowledge essential for mental and physical wellbeing. Spouses without previous military service are required to fulfill the Physical Education requirement.

AREA I Mathematics 3
Intermediate algebra or a college-level mathematics course (Non-DLIFLC GE) that satisfies the delivering institution's mathematics requirement for graduation. Courses may include Accounting, Algebra, Calculus, Logic, Math for Liberal Arts Majors, Quantitative Business Mathematics, Statistics.

SECTION III

Alternative Methods for Earning College Credit

The DLIFLC does not offer any of the Non-DLIFLC general education courses required for the Associate of Arts degree. Students may transfer credits taken from accredited postsecondary institutions and credits earned through non-traditional programs as listed below to meet the DLIFLC general education requirements. However, DLIFLC is not obligated to accept credits the student has earned. The DLIFLC AA Degree Office can assist students in resolving conflicts concerning overlapping courses and examinations. Final decisions in all matters regarding acceptance of credits rest with the DLIFLC Registrar Division.

Transfer Coursework

All transfer courses and credits must be evaluated and approved by the AA Degree Office. The following criteria apply to courses transferred to meet the DLIFLC general education requirement:

- A. Must be from an institution accredited by an agency authorized by the US Department of Education or by an institution that is a candidate for such accreditation.
- B. Must be taught by faculty who are qualified by appropriate education, training, and experience.
- C. Must be listed and identified in the offering institution's general catalog as satisfying the institution's freshman and sophomore general education graduation requirement designed for transfer.
- D. Must have been completed with the equivalent of a "C" grade or better.

- E. Must not be developmental, preparatory, remedial, refresher or review.
- F. Must not duplicate or significantly overlap another course or test applied to the degree program.
- G. Must not be a special topic or problem, workshop, or similar course.
- H. Must not be narrowly focused on skills, techniques and procedures peculiar to a particular occupation.

In addition, the Institute has the right to approve or disapprove courses submitted for the general education requirements. The student may satisfy the balance of the general education requirements through the procedures outlined in **Alternative Methods for Earning College Credit** below.

Generally, lower division general education coursework from accredited post-secondary institutions will transfer to DLIFLC to meet general education requirements. The quality review process at accredited post-secondary institutions assures students and DLIFLC transcript evaluators that outcomes at those institutions fit DLIFLC requirements. Only courses taken at accredited colleges and universities or candidates for accreditation, as identified in Accredited Institutions of Postsecondary Education published by the American Council on Education, can be considered for transfer credit and apply to the general education requirements. No upper division courses will be accepted in transfer to satisfy general education requirements and no language courses taken outside the DLIFLC can be counted towards the major.

As soon as all requirements for the degree have been completed, official transcripts for all transfer work should be forwarded to the DLIFLC AA Degree Office for evaluation. Should an institution lose accreditation, DLIFLC will only accept courses completed before the institution's loss of accreditation.

Transfer courses will not be listed on the DLIFLC transcript. Only the total number of credits approved for general education transfer credit will be included on the transcript together with the AA degree completion date.

Transfer credit earned through colleges and universities outside the United States must be evaluated by an independent evaluation service recognized by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services, Inc (NACES).

Other Methods of Obtaining College Credit

In addition to credit awarded for transfer courses from other institutions, students may apply credit toward the general education requirements for the Associate's Degree earned through proficiency examinations, and accredited military training.

The types of alternative credit accepted by the Institute include Advanced Placement (AP), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES), International Baccalaureate (IB), some types of military training as recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE). To earn alternative credit, students must present official score reports for approved exams

with proof of an ACE - recommended minimum score. Exam results meeting the ACE minimum score will be awarded credit with a grade of "Pass." Additional information about alternative credit can be obtained at any of the military education centers.

The following general guidelines are meant to assist students but do not guarantee DLIFLC acceptance of credits earned by these methods:

A. Advanced Placement (AP)

Credit is assigned for examinations on the basis of an official score report sent at the student's request from the College Board Educational Testing Service directly to DLIFLC AA Degree Office (The DLIFLC college board number is 1963). An ACE recommended minimum score is necessary on any of these examinations in order to earn credit towards satisfying general education requirements. Students can arrange to have their results sent to DLIFLC by contacting the Program Director, College Board, Advanced Placement Tests, Box 592, Princeton, NY 08541 (http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/exgrd_rep.html).

B. College Board College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Students, who earn the ACE recommended minimum required score on College-Level Proficiency Examinations, will be awarded credit toward their general education requirements. (<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html>)

C. Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES)

Students who earn the ACE recommended minimum required score on applicable Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support Tests will be awarded credit toward their general education requirements. (<http://www.getcollegecredit.com>)

D. International Baccalaureate (IB)

The International Baccalaureate diploma or individual exams will be considered for credit. High-level exams with a score of 5 or better can be applied toward general education requirements. A maximum of 15 credits may be awarded for International Baccalaureate exams. (<http://www.ibo.org>)

E. ACE-Recommended Credit for Military Experiences (SMART, AARTS, CCAF)

Credit may be awarded for certain ACE-approved educational and work experiences in the armed forces. The amount of credit for all training will be based on the ACE guidelines. ACE-recommendations published in the National Guide to Educational Credit for Training Programs will be used as a guideline for awarding credit for noncollegiate sponsored instruction.

Air Force: http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/active_transc.htm

Army: <http://aarts.army.mil>

Navy/Marine: <https://smart.navy.mil>

SECTION IV

Major Requirements

All courses counting toward the major must be earned in residence at the DLIFLC on the Presidio of Monterey, with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of C (2.0) or higher. Typically, the major requirements are met upon the satisfactory completion of the DLIFLC Basic program for students whose course started after October 1, 1991. Successful completion of the Intermediate program may be substituted for the major and will satisfy the residency requirement with a start date after February 1, 1998. DLIFLC does grant more than one degree if the student has fulfilled the requirements for a second language. The only degree offered is the Associate of Arts in Foreign Language (the student's specific language). A student may earn a degree in more than one language.

DLIFLC Basic Program Courses in the Major for classes after Jan 1, 2000

(Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

Lower Division:

FL 101. Elementary Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 102. Elementary Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 110. Elementary Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
FL 201. Intermediate Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 202. Intermediate Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 210. Intermediate Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits

Upper Division Courses in the Major:

FL 301. Advanced Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 302. Advanced Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 310. Advanced Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
MS 320. Comprehensive Military Topics in the Foreign Language	2 credits
Major: 35 credits (Basic program satisfies all major requirements)	

DLIFLC Basic Program Courses in the Major for classes Oct 1, 1990 to Dec 31, 1999

(Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

Lower Division:

FL 101. Elementary Foreign Language I.	5 credits
FL 102. Elementary Foreign Language II.	5 credits
FL 110. Elementary Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
FL 201. Intermediate Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 202. Intermediate Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 210. Intermediate Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits

Upper Division:

FL 301. Advanced Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 302. Advanced Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 310. Advanced Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
MS 320. Comprehensive Military Topics in the Foreign Language	2 credits
Major: 35 credits (Basic program satisfies all major requirements).	

SECTION V

The following DLIFLC Basic Program courses satisfy DLIFLC coursework for general education requirements in areas B, D, and G for a total of 9 semester credits. (Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

For Basic courses taken after Jan 1, 2000

Area B Critical Thinking (3 credits)

MS 120 Introduction to Job Related Skills in the Foreign Language. 2 credits

MS 220. Introduction to Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 1 credit

Area D Humanities (3 credits)

AS 140. Introduction to Foreign Language Culture. 1 credit

AS 240. History and Geography of the Foreign Language Region. 1 credit

AS 340. Area and Intercultural Studies within the Foreign Language Region. 1 credit

Area G Area Studies (3 credits)

AS 140. Introduction to Foreign Language Culture. 1 credit

AS 240. History and Geography of the Foreign Language Region. 1 credit

AS 340. Area and Intercultural Studies within the Foreign Language Region. 1 credit

For Basic courses taken Oct 1, 1991 – Dec 31, 1999

Area B Critical Thinking (3 credits)

FL 220. Introduction to Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 2 credits

FL 320. Comprehensive Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 1 credit

Area D Humanities (3 credits)

FL 140. Foreign Language Culture I 1 credit

FL 150. Foreign Language Area Studies I 1 credit

FL 240. Foreign Language Culture II 1 credit

Area G Area Studies (3 credits)

FL 250. Foreign Language Area Studies II 1 credit

FL 340. Foreign Language Culture III 1 credit

FL 350. Foreign Language Area Studies III 1 credit

Intermediate Level

The following DLIFLC Intermediate Program courses satisfy general education requirements in areas D and G if taken after February 1, 1998 for a total of 6 semester credits.

Area D Humanities (3 credits)

AS 381 Intermediate Area Studies: Social Science. 3 credits

Area G Area Studies (3 credits)

MS 382 Intermediate Military Science and Technology 3 credits

All the Intermediate graduates need to provide one 3-semester-credit course on Critical Thinking in the lower division if they did not take the Basic Level course at DLIFLC in the same language. For detailed information on this requirement, contact the AA Degree Office.

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