

Fo Guang University College of Humanities
Department of Foreign Languages and Cultures

Stipulations for Undergraduate Studies

(Applies to incoming freshman for the 2016 school year)

- I. In order to raise the bar of academic excellence achieved by its undergraduates, the Department of Foreign Languages and Cultures (DFLC) has formulated the following stipulations in accordance with the “Academic Principles” established by Fo Guang University.
- II. The pursuit of an undergraduate degree in the DFCL is not to exceed four years, though extensions of up to two years may be granted.
- III. In order to graduate, undergraduates in the DFCL must earn 128 credits in the following categories:
 - (1) General education: 32 credits
 - (2) Credits from courses offered by the DFCL from the following three curricula:
 - (i.) Basic curriculum (College of Humanities): 21 credits
 - (ii.) Core curriculum (DFCL): 27 credits
 - (iii.) One elective curriculum (students must select one that complies with their chosen core curriculum)
 - (3) Elective curricula options:
 - (i.) Practical foreign language curriculum: 25 credits
 - (ii.) Literature and culture curriculum: 25 credits
- IV. The following rules apply to course selection:
 - (1) Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors must take 15 – 27 credits each semester.
 - (2) Seniors must take at least one course but no more than 27 credits each semester.
- V. In order to graduate, DFCL undergraduates must meet the requirements below in (1), (2), or (3):
 - (1) Pass/earn the minimum indicated score on one of the English proficiency tests listed below:
 - (i.) TOEFL: 550 on the written test and 69 on the iBT
 - (ii.) TOEIC: 700 on the written test
 - (iii.) IELTS: 5.5
 - (iv.) GEPT: high-intermediate level

- (2) Pass/earn the minimum indicated score on one of the English proficiency tests listed in (i.) **and** pass/earn the minimum indicated score on one of the proficiency tests listed in (ii.) for a second foreign language:
- (i.) English proficiency tests:
 - (a.) TOEFL: 450 on the written test and 55 on the iBT
 - (b.) TOEIC: 500 on the written test
 - (c.) IELTS: 4
 - (d.) GEPT: intermediate level
 - (ii.) Proficiency tests for second foreign languages:
 - (a.) Japanese: JLPT: 3
 - (b.) Korean: TOPIK: intermediate level 3 or 4
 - (c.) French: DELF B1
- (3) Students who have not met requirements (1) or (2) by the time their junior year is complete may instead take two elective courses available to DFCL juniors and seniors during their senior year (increasing their total credits earned to at least 132).

VI. DFCL undergraduates must manage their transfer credits in accordance with the DFCL's "Undergraduate Transfer Credit Policy."

VII. All matters not expounded upon in these "Stipulations for Undergraduate Studies" will be processed in accordance with the "Academic Principles" and other related policies established by Fo Guang University.