

The CUNY Council on World Language Study

At a time when both national and CUNY data show unprecedented interest in foreign language study on college campuses, the draft resolution on transfer of credit and General Education requirements across CUNY is of great concern to us. This policy essentially standardizes and is likely to reduce prerequisites for majors in the humanities. It is further likely to prevent students from obtaining the linguistic preparation they need at a time when such competence is critical for success in this age of globalization. The CUNY Council on World Language Study supports a two-year requirement (12 credits) for foreign languages as the minimum standard for graduation from CUNY with a baccalaureate degree.