

Foreign Language Requirements for Admission and Graduation

	Foreign Language Requirement for Admission	Foreign Language Requirement for Graduation
Chicago State University	Not required	All programs – 6 hours of college language (can be met by assessment/proficiency test or college level courses only)
Eastern Illinois University	Not required, 2 years recommended	2 semesters of college language (can be met by 2 years of single foreign language in high school with "C" or better average)
Governors State University	2 years of one foreign language or 2 years of fine arts	Not required
Illinois State University	2 years of one foreign language or 2 years of fine arts	College of Arts and Sciences - 2 semesters of college language (can be met by successful completion of 3 years of same foreign language in high school). American Sign Language may be used to fulfill this requirement by transfer credit or by proficiency. Bachelor of Arts – 3 semesters of college language (may be met by proficiency test or college level courses only)
Northeastern Illinois University	Not required	Not required
Northern Illinois University	Humanities: 2 years of foreign language or combination of language, art, music, theatre	Bachelor of Arts - 2 years of one foreign language at the college level (can be met by 4 years of one foreign language in high school with "C" or greater in each course)
Southern Illinois University, Carbondale	Not required; used toward fulfillment of 2 year elective requirement. Must include two semesters of the same language.	College of Liberal Arts - one year (2 courses) of college language (met by college coursework or exam only) some degrees in College of Liberal Arts are exempt
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	Not required – 2 years recommended	Bachelor of Arts – college language required (met by college level coursework only)
University of Illinois at Chicago	Not required – 2 years recommended	College of Business Administration: 2 semesters at collegiate level; can be waived with 2 years at the high school level or if students native language is not English All programs in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Urban Planning and Public Affairs, as well as the Public Health, and Art History: 4 semesters at the collegiate level
University of Illinois at Springfield	2 years of one foreign language OR 2 years of fine arts	Honors students must have 2 years of one language
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	2 years of one language required. 4 years recommended.	Colleges of Business and Liberal Arts and Sciences: up to the 4th collegiate level of foreign language (can be met by 4 years of one high school foreign language) All other colleges - up to the 3rd collegiate level (can be met by 3 years of one high school foreign language)
Western Illinois University	Not required	Selected majors - bi-cultural, bi-lingual education, foreign language, and biology (can be met by 2 years of high school foreign language)

Comparative Undergraduate Admission Information

Admission requirements for the state universities in Illinois are outlined below. Any questions or concerns about the admissions process should be directed to the appropriate university office.

Admission as a Freshman

The standardized test score, GPA and class rank middle 50% ranges of the entering freshman class of 2017 show that admission standards vary across the twelve universities. Note that since a holistic approach** is used in the admission review process, having standardized test scores, GPA, and class rank within the entering freshman profile does not guarantee admission.

Middle 50% for ACT Composite Scores, GPA and Class Rank for Entering Freshman Class of 2017

	ACT middle 50%	SAT middle 50% (M+CR only)	GPA	HSPR		ACT middle 50%	SAT middle 50% (M+CR)	GPA	HSPR
CSU	19	*	3.1	71.5	SIUC	20-26	1020-1270	2.73-3.56	*
EIU	18-23	*	2.67-3.47	*	SIUE	20-26	1020-1270	*	47-85%
GSU	18	985	2.61	*	UIC	21-27	1080-1300	3.1-3.7	69-92%
ISU	21-26	1020-1200	3.07-3.83	*	UIS	19-25	980-1230	2.91-3.80	49-85%
NEIU**	16-36	860-1600	**	N/A	UIUC	27-33	1270-1480	3.38-3.90 UW	No longer calculated
NIU	19-25	*	2.86-3.71	46-80%	WIU	18-23	940-1130	2.89-3.48	Top 40%

*No middle 50% is collected.

** School uses an admissions formula to determine eligibility for admission. See school for details.