

The goal of the foreign language reading exam is for students to demonstrate the ability to understand and translate recent historical sources or contemporary writings that they might encounter in the course of their historical research. The exam is offered in Spanish, French, German, and Cherokee. To pass the exam, students must demonstrate a grasp of vocabulary, grammatical structures, and common idioms and expressions.

The exam requires students to translate a passage of between 300 and 400 words into standard written English. Passages are drawn from journalism sources (a newspaper article, for instance) or from general textbooks in history or a related field. Students will have one hour to complete their translation. A bilingual dictionary will be provided. In accordance with policies published in WCU's Code of Student