The International Relations Program requires students to demonstrate **advanced proficiency equivalent to 3 years (six college-level semesters)** in one modern language other than English. This student would like to demonstrate proficiency through examination. We would like your assistance in assessing this student’s ability by completing the form below. ***Students who fulfill the IR requirement will have sufficient knowledge of the language to read scholarly materials, conduct research, write papers, and interact with native-speaking professionals.***

**IR does not use AP scores to waive the language requirement.** In departments offering placement tests, students should take the test and enroll accordingly. Students who place above level 0600 must take one higher-level course to fulfill the IR language requirement.

Native speakers of a language other than English who have a full range of oral, written, and conversational skills appropriate for academic work are not required to pursue additional language study. **Please note that speaking the language at home with family is not sufficient to meet the IR language requirement.** Students not enrolling in language study at Brown must present to the IR concentration advisor one of the following:

* a high school transcript indicating **the language of instruction for all classes** was a language other than English.
* a description of the means of assessment and signature from a Brown faculty member stating that the student has the equivalent of three years of advanced university language instruction covering the areas of competency below and is capable of conducting research and engaging with native speakers in the language.

For more information, visit [www.watsoninstitute.org/ir](http://www.watsoninstitute.org/ir) or contact [Claudia\_Elliott@brown.edu](mailto:Claudia_Elliott@brown.edu).

**STUDENT:**

Name:      Banner ID:

Language of proficiency:       Date:

**LANGUAGE INSTRUCTOR:**

1. The student’s knowledge of this language is equivalent to the completion of       semesters of language study at Brown.   
     
    Please check one in each category: Comparable course level  
    (e.g., HISP 0400, 0500)

Reading:       Elementary       Intermediate       Advanced      

Writing:       Elementary       Intermediate       Advanced      

Grammar:       Elementary       Intermediate       Advanced      

Listening:       Elementary       Intermediate       Advanced      

Speaking:       Elementary       Intermediate       Advanced

1. Describe means by which assessment is made:
2. Required Signature:

Instructor’s Name:       Department:

Signature: Date: