

Resolution on Revising the Name of Hunter's Foreign Language Requirement

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Be it resolved that the Foreign Language Requirement now be called the Language Proficiency Requirement where the proficiency is, requiring fourth-semester proficiency in a natural language other than English (LOTE).

Rationale:

Because it is now more commonly accepted to speak of “languages other than English (LOTE)” rather than “foreign languages,” this name change brings Hunter’s expression of its requirement in line with current national practice. For example, American Sign Language (ASL) is widely recognized as a language other than English and as meeting language requirements at colleges and universities across the US. For many years, demonstrated proficiency in ASL has been allowed to meet Hunter’s Foreign Language Requirement, a practice which this name change makes more explicit.