

**Procedure**                      **Guidelines for Exemptions to  
Group III Language Requirement**

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Undergraduate students must fulfill the general education modern and classical language requirement unless they are enrolled in a program of study requiring over 48 credits for a first baccalaureate degree, subject to the following rules:

1. Courses that apply toward the 48-credit threshold include all requirements for the primary major (including up to one option) and designated pre-requisite courses but exclude required courses that the student can use to fulfill the general education requirements at the University of Montana.
2. If the major requires one or more courses from a single general education group, only the required course-work beyond the minimum credit requirement for that group counts towards the 48 credit threshold. Example: If a major requires PHSX 205N-208N (totaling 10 credits), only 4 credits apply towards the 48 credit threshold since 6 credits are needed to fulfill general education group XI (Natural Sciences).
3. During the periodic rolling review of Group III courses, programs currently granted an exception to the general education foreign and classical languages requirement will have to reapply to keep the exception. The application will require a detailed accounting showing that the 48-credit threshold is exceeded on the general education form.
4. In some cases, students completing a major without an option may be required to fulfill the general education modern and classical language requirement, while majors completing the same major with an option may be exempt.