

# MINNESOTA BILINGUAL AND MULTILINGUAL SEALS AND WORLD LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATES

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Northwestern accepts credits awarded for Minnesota Bilingual and Multilingual Seals and World Language Proficiency Certificates.

- Students must request the credits upon UNW enrollment and within three academic years of graduation from high school.
- Credit for SPA1001 and SPA1002 will be awarded to those who earn the World Language Proficiency Certificate in Spanish. These students qualify to enroll in SPA2101.
- Students who earn the Gold or Platinum Seal in Spanish will earn credit for SPA1001 and SPA1002, plus 4 (Gold) or 8 (Platinum) elective credits. These students qualify to enroll in SPA2101.
- Students who earn the Gold or Platinum Seal in Spanish may take the UNW Spanish Placement Exam to have their elective credits count toward SPA2101 and SPA2102.
- For other languages, including those not offered at UNW (e.g., Hmong), credits earned through a Gold or Platinum Seal or World Language Proficiency Certificate would be awarded on a similar basis: plus 4 (Gold) or 8 (Platinum) elective credits.
- To learn details about Minnesota Bilingual and Multilingual Seals and World Language Proficiency Certificates, see the Minnesota Department of Education's FAQ Bilingual or Multilingual SEAL and World Language Certificates found on <https://education.mn.gov/MDE/dse/stds/world/>.