

ACTFL Language Proficiency Assessments

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is an official testing site for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) test. Students who have taken an ACTFL OPI, OPIc, or Writing Proficiency Test (WPT) through Language Testing International (LTI) and who received a proficiency rating by LTI may receive course credits.

The ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview is a 20-30 minute telephone interview between an ACTFL Certified Tester and a candidate. The interview is interactive and adaptive to the experiences and linguistic competence of the candidate.

A student can choose to take the exam with a web-based proctor or at the university. Prior to starting the registration process, a candidate should consult with the Office of Academic Testing about the availability of testing times. A candidate will then submit a completed application to LTI at http://www.languagetesting.com/. (At the time of application, a candidates must request that an official copy of their certificate be submitted to the university. Please be aware that the normal LTI rating turnaround time is from 2-4 weeks). The candidate should then pay a \$10 administrative fee when they receive their confirmation email from LTI.

On the day of the test, the candidate reports to the Student Services Center (SSC) room 210 and presents a form of personal identification; this must be a government-issued photo ID card that bears the student's signature.

Additional information about exam formats, current listing of available languages, and description of the various types of ratings can be found at https://www.actfl.org/assessment-professional-development/assessments-the-actfl-testing-office.

Student's that wish to retake an OPI or WPT ACTFL exam must wait 90 days before attempting it again and 30 days before attempting the Oral Proficiency Interview – Computer (OPIc) again. This is an ACTL policy.

If you have a question about testing dates, please contact the Office of Academic Testing at (361) 825-2334 or visit with us in SSC 210. To determine if the university grants credit for the exam, the number of credit hours granted, and the course(s) that can be bypassed with a satisfactory score, please consult the university catalog. For information regarding applicability of these tests to specific degree programs, students should contact their academic advisors.