# Foreign Language Achievement Testing Service (FLATS)

## Test Format

You are allowed 2.5 hours to complete the multiple-choice test. Although each exam is unique in its content, most tests have a listening, reading, and grammar component.  
Most exams are computerized with a few that are paper/pencil versions. See the list of those exams below.

## Preparation

There are no test preparation materials available. The most successful way to prepare for any given test is to review your reading ability. It is also helpful if you have a friend to practice both listening and speaking of the language.

## Languages Offered

* Albanian
* Arabic
* Armenian
* Bulgarian
* Cambodian
* Cantonese (Simplified)
* Cantonese (Traditional)
* Cebuano
* Croatian
* Czech
* Danish
* Dutch
* Estonian
* Fijian
* Finnish
* French
* Georgian
* German
* Greek
* Haitian-Creole
* Hmong
* Hungarian
* Icelandic
* Ilonggo-Hiligaynon
* Indonesian
* Italian
* Japanese
* Korean
* Latvian
* Lithuanian
* Malagasy
* Malay
* Mandarin (Simplified)
* Mandarin (Traditional)
* Mongolian
* Norwegian
* Persian-Farsi
* Polish
* Portuguese (Brazilian)
* Portuguese (Continental)
* Romanian
* Russian
* Samoan
* Serbian
* Spanish
* Swedish
* Tagalog
* Tahitian
* Thai
* Tongan
* Ukrainian
* Vietnamese

**The following languages listed below are only offered in paper/pencil version:**  
You will need to call BYU to order written exams (801) 422-3512. Allow 2 weeks for BYU to mail your paper exams to the University Testing Center.

* Afrikaans
* Aymara
* Cakchiquel
* Guarani
* Maori
* Navajo
* Quechua
* Rarotongan
* Welsh

## Costs

There are two separate registrations and payments required per test:

* $50 test registration cost paid directly to BYU via the official FLATS website. $75 for certain paper exams.
  + $20 proctoring cost paid via cash or check written out to “LSSU” for **Non-LSSU students.**

## BYU Registration

1. Navigate to the BYU FLATS [website](https://flats.byu.edu/signupall.php?x=8) to begin the registration process. You will be asked to provide personal information, including your student ID number. You will be asked to provide proctor information. If you are completing your exam at the LSSU Testing Center, please provide the following information:

##### ****Proctor Information****

Please note: **DO NOT** select *Autofill Proctor360 as My Proctor* on the registration page of the BYU website.

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| **Name:** | Eric Cairns |
| **Department:** | Testing Services |
| **Educational Institution:** | Lake Superior State University |
| **Address:** | 650 W. Easterday Avenue |
| **City, State & Zip code:** | Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 |
| **Phone:** | 906-635-2027 |
| **Email:** | ecairns@lssu.edu |
| **Confirm Email:** | ecairns@lssu.edu |
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1. You will be asked to provide information on where testing results should be sent. **LSSU students** should provide the following information: **Note: Non-LSSU students should check with their home institution regarding where to have the official results mailed to.**

##### Additional Results Sent To:

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| **Name:** | Nancy Neve |
| **Department:** | Registrar’s Office |
| **Educational Institution:** | Lake Superior State University |
| **Address:** | 650 W. Easterday Avenue |
| **City, State & Zipcode:** | Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 |
| **Phone:** | 906-635-2682 |
| **Email:** | registrar@lssu.edu |

1. Once payment is processed, you will receive a confirmation email from BYU, which will include your testing password. You must bring the testing password with you on test day.

## LSSU Registration

**You must complete the BYU registration BEFORE proceeding with the LSSU registration.**

1. Navigate to the LSSU Testing Services [website](https://www.lssu.edu/academic-services/testing-services/) to schedule an appointment date and time.
2. Click “Request An Appointment”
3. Select **FLATS Exam** from the available options.
4. Then select the language you would like to take your FLATS exam in (See the list of available languages above).
   * Note: When selecting FLATS (Paper), you must schedule your appointment at LEAST two weeks in advance.
5. Continue the remaining sections of the page. After completing the LSSU online registration and scheduling process, check your email for the test registration confirmation sent to you from LSSU Testing Services

## Test Day

* **Report Location: Report to LSSU Testing Services, located in LBR 234 in the Kenneth J. Shouldice Library building. LSSU Testing Services is located on the main floor in the outer hallway of the Library. If you get lost finding our office, please call 906-635-2027 or go to the Library Circulation Desk.**
* **Arrival Time:** Test takers are asked to arrive 15-20 minutes prior to their scheduled appointment time. Test takers arriving more than 15 minutes late unexcused may not be admitted and will forfeit any costs paid.
* **Identification Policy:** Test takers are required to present one (1) primary form of government-issued identification that includes their photograph and signature.
* You must bring your **FLATS testing password** sent to you from BYU.

## Test Results

LSSU Testing Services will administer the test, and BYU will receive the completed online test electronically. If the exam is done on paper, LSSU Testing Services will send BYU the completed exam materials by mail. LSSU Testing Services does not interpret scores or results.

* **Unofficial** test results are immediately emailed to you
* **Official** test results will be sent to your designated institution typically by mail.

## Retest Policies

Exams can be retaken every six months.