

**TRAINING DURATION AND EXPECTED LEVELS OF PROFICIENCY
IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES**

Groups I to III indicate the duration of training required by the student with an average aptitude to learn the language. Each week of full time training consists of 30 hours. For part time (training), 6 hours of training is equivalent to a full day. It is possible that certain students will not be able to attain the advanced level within the allotted time. Basic, intermediate and advanced levels correspond to notation 1, 2 and 3 as defined in the linguistic proficiency standards of the US Foreign Service Institute.

Group I: Afrikaans, Creole, Danish, Dutch, Haitian, Italian, Norwegian, Portuguese, Romanian, Spanish, Swahili, Swedish

Length of Training required to reach the following levels:

Basic: 8 weeks (240 hours)
Intermediate: 16 weeks (480 hours)
Advanced: 24 weeks (720 hours)

Group II: Amharic, Bengali, Bulgarian, Burmese, Czech, Dari, Farsi, Finnish, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hindi, Hungarian, Indonesian, Khmer, Lo, Malay, Nepali, Polish, Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Sinhala, Tagal, Thai, Tamil, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese

Length of Training required to reach the following levels:

Basic: 16 weeks (480 hours)
Intermediate: 24 weeks (720 hours)
Advanced: 44 weeks (1320 hours)

Group III: Arabic, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin

Length of Training required to reach the following levels:

Basic: 16 - 24 weeks (480 - 720 hours)
Intermediate: 44 weeks (1320 hours)
Advanced: 80 - 92 weeks (2400 - 2760 hours)