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## Recognition and Notation of Bilingual Learning Policy (127)

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### Purpose

To establish the criteria under which an undergraduate student of Athabasca University receives recognition for studies completed in both official languages: English and French.

### Definitions

<b>Parchment</b>	Document issued by Athabasca University that communicates the nature of the degree and date of conferral. This document is signed and sealed by University officials.
<b>Transcript</b>	Official document issued by Athabasca University that communicates the courses completed and the final grades achieved in those courses.

### Policy Statements

1. Students who have demonstrated a working proficiency in both of Canada's official languages (English and French), by completing a minimum of 30 credits in English and 30 credits in French as part of an Athabasca University credential, are eligible to have the following notation added to their transcript and parchment:



This degree was completed in English and in French.

2. Students will demonstrate their proficiency in both of Canada's official languages by completing course work in English and in French at Athabasca University, or through transfer credit according to the following guidelines:
  - a. English Credits: English credits are earned by completing courses where either the language of instruction is English or the content of the course requires that a student already be proficient in English, excluding English as second language and preparatory (100 level) courses.
  - b. French Credits: French credits are earned by completing courses where either the language of instruction is French or the content of the course requires that a student is proficient in French, excluding French as second language and preparatory courses.

### **Applicable Legislation and Regulations**

N/A

### **Related References, Policies, Procedures and Forms**

[Recognition and Notation of Bilingual Learning Procedures \(127a\)  
Application for Graduation Form](#)

### **History**

General Faculties Council, December 11, 2013, Motion # 17-04 (Approved)

Academic Council, April 21, 2004, Motion # 181-7 (Amended)

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