

**Friis, John**

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**Sent:** Monday, February 23, 2009 10:38 AM  
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**Subject:** Foreign Language Requirements

Dear Mr Friis,

Foreign Language requirements are very important to me. I studied Spanish when I was in Rockville High School. I am now a student at Central Connecticut State College and am presently Studing Abroad in Porto Alegre, Brazil. The Spanish Language helped me tremendously when I was learning Portuguese Language to study in Brazil. My younger sister is also Studying Abroad though University of Connecticut. She is a Secondary French Education major and is presently studying in Paris, France.

With the current globalization, American's are falling behind as I've learned we have the lowest language requirements of most nations in the world. Eliminating the Foreign Language requirement would only put us farther behind our fellow students and co workers across the world. We need to keep foreign language requirements in our school systems to compete globally  
Sincerely, Lindsay LaHaie

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