

What Can I Do With a Major in Foreign Language?

Sample Occupations: The following listings are occupations you can pursue with a Foreign Language Degree. Please note that this list is not exhaustive. There are many careers for which a Foreign Language Degree prepares you. *Note that the occupations that require an advanced degree are also listed.* For help in identifying more information about the occupations listed below, please visit the Career Center at 259 Highsmith Union.

Airline Ticket/Reservation Agent	Foreign Service Officer	Museum Guide/Tour Guide
Anthropologist	Foreign Student Advisor	Museum Technician
Archivist	Hotel Manager	Paralegal
Audio-Video Specialist	Human Resource Manager	Passport Examiner
Border Patrol Agent	Immigration Inspector/Agent	Peace Corps/Visa Worker
Court Interpreter	Import/Export Agent	Personnel Manager
Curator/Archivist	In-Country Representative	Probation Officer
Customer Service Manager	Intelligence Specialist	Public Relations Worker
Customs Inspector	International Radio Broadcaster	Restaurant Manager
Export Manager	International Relations Specialist	Scientific Document Translator
Flight Attendant	International Trade Economist	Social Service Counselor
Foreign Correspondent	Interpreter	Social Service Program Director
Foreign Exchange Director	Investigator	Tour Organizer
Foreign Language Teacher	Librarian	Translator
Foreign News Editor	Linguist	Travel Agent
Foreign News Translator	Manufacturer's Representative	World Trade Manager

Sample Work Settings

Advertising Agencies	Hospitals	Public Relations Firms
Airlines	Hotels, Resorts	Radio/TV Industry
Archives	Immigration Centers	Rail Lines
Art Galleries	Import/Export Companies	Restaurants
Banks and Credit Unions	International Businesses	Schools and Colleges
Brokers	International Nonprofit Organizations	Shipping/Transportation Agencies
Court Systems	Libraries	Social Service Agencies
Customs	Multinational Firms	Translation Services
Foreign Exchange Programs	Museums	Travel/Tourism Agencies
Film Companies	Newspapers, Magazines	United Nations

Government Departments

Agency for International Development	Department of Justice	National Endowment for the Humanities
Central Intelligence Agency	Department of the Navy	Peace Corps
Department of Commerce	Department of State	US Information Agency
Department of the Army	Federal Bureau of Investigation	Vista, Action
Department of Defense	Health and Human Services	Voice of America
	Immigration and Naturalization	

Professional Organizations

American Association of Language Specialists <http://www.taals.net/>
American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages - <http://www.actfl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1>
American Society of Interpreters <http://www.atanet.org/>
Institute of International Education www.iae.org/
Modern Language Association of America www.mla.org
National Association for Bilingual Education www.nabe.org
National Association of Judiciary Interpreters and Translators www.najit.org/
National Federation of Modern Language Teachers – Association <http://polyglot.lss.wisc.edu/mlj/nfmlta.htm>

Internet Resources

Bilingual Jobs <http://www.twolingos.com/>
Global Experiences <http://www.globalexperiences.com/>
Go Abroad www.GoAbroad.com
Jobs in Japan www.jobsinjapan.com
JobWeb www.jobweb.org
LatPro www.latpro.com
Top Language Jobs <http://www.toplanguagejobs.co.uk/>
Margaret Riley Online Career Guide www.rileyguide.com/mfdikel.html
OneSmallPlanet.com www.onesmallplanet.com
OverseasJobs.com www.overseasjobs.com
Richard Bolles: What Color is your Parachute? – Job Hunters Bible www.jobhuntersbible.com
Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) www.tesol.org
Teaching Abroad www.teaching-abroad.co.uk/
TEFL Professional Network <http://tefl.com/>
The United Nations www.un.org
U.S. State Department www.state.gov/employment/
UNCA Foreign Language Department <http://www.unca.edu/flanguages/>
Vault Online Career Library www.vault.com/cb/careerlib/careerlib_main.jsp?parrefer=1051
Websites Related to UNCA Major <http://www.unca.edu/career/majorslinks.html>

UNC Asheville Career Center Resources for Foreign Language Majors

Career Exploration:

101 Ways to Find an Overseas Job
100 Best Careers for the 21st Century
100 Jobs in Social Change
50 Best Jobs for your Personality
Almanac of International Jobs and Careers
Careers for Culture Lovers & Other Artsy Types
Careers For Foreign Language Aficionados and Other Multilingual Types
College Majors and Careers
Directory of Jobs and Careers Abroad
Great Jobs Abroad
Great Jobs For Foreign Language Majors
International Jobs
International Jobs Directory
International Opportunities
Jobs for People Who Love to Travel
Liberal Arts Jobs
Opportunities in Event Planning
Opportunities in Law Careers
Teaching English Abroad
The College Career Bible
The College Majors Handbook
Vault Career Guides: Journalism & Information Media, Media & Entertainment, Advertising, Book Publishing, Real and International Careers

Job Search Resources:

Find a Federal Job Fast
Finding Your Perfect Work
Job Search Handbook for People with Disabilities
Job Searching Online For Dummies
Professional's Job Finder
Targeting the Job You Want
Ten Steps to a Federal Job
The Book of U.S. Government Jobs
The Top 10 Fears of Job Seekers
Vault Guides; Schmoozing and Resume, Cover Letters, & Interviewing, and Starting Your Own Business
Who's Hiring Who?

Internship Opportunities:

Americas Top 100 Internships
Directory of International Internships
Internship Handbook
The National Directory of Internships
Internship Success
Internships with America's Top Companies
Internships: Find the Right Internships for You
The Best 109 Internships
The Internship Bible
Vault Guide to Top Internships