

# FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Many occupations today require a college-educated individual who can write and speak well, solve problems, learn new information quickly and work well with others on a team. This means that college graduates use their education in a wide variety of fields, and your future career may relate more to your personal career interests, work values and transferable skills than any specific academic major. However, the following list contains a representative sample of current job titles of former Foreign Language majors. Use this as an idea list, and remember that it represents some, but certainly not all, of the careers you might consider.

Students obtaining employment immediately upon graduation are usually those with the best college records and a willingness to relocate to find a job. Some of these jobs also require education beyond a bachelor's degree.

## Related Career Titles for Foreign Language Majors

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| FBI Agent                   | Accountant                        | Investment Analyst                | Proofreader                   |
| Filmmaker                   | Advertising Manager               | Journalist                        | Finance Director              |
| Laboratory Technician       | Publishing Specialist             | Air Traffic Assistant             | Lawyer                        |
| Advertising Copywriter      | Public Health Administrator       | Financial Planning Associate      | Quality Control Supervisor    |
| Foreign Diplomat            | Archivist                         | Library Technician                | Radio/TV Announcer            |
| Reporter                    | Art Dealer                        | Media Specialist                  | Salesperson                   |
| Foreign Exchange Trader     | Foreign Correspondent             | Banking Correspondent             | Foreign Service Officer       |
| Auditor                     | Linguist                          | Missionary                        | Scientific Linguist           |
| Foreign Service             | Bilingual Officers/Clerks/Tellers | Scientific Translator/Interpreter | Foreign Service Specialist    |
| Bilingual Educator          | Multi-Lingual Port                | Museum Curator                    | Senior Credit Analyst         |
| Theme Designer              | TESO/ESL Teacher                  | Copywriter                        | Intelligence Specialist       |
| Musician                    | Bookkeeper                        | Sports Agent                      | Fund-Raiser                   |
| Civil Service Employee      | Foreign Social Worker             | National Security Agent           | Commercial Loan Officer       |
| Negotiator                  | Teacher                           | Importer/Exporter                 | Consultant                    |
| Computer Systems Designer   | Human Resources Director          | Overseas Personnel Manager        | Intelligence Researcher       |
| Theme Designer              | TESO/ESL Teacher                  | Copywriter                        | Intelligence Specialist       |
| Travel Agent Tour Organizer | Overseas Plant Manager            | International Consultant          | Pharmaceutical Representative |
| Cultural Officer            | Paralegal                         | Performer/Video Artist            | Cultural Attaché              |

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| UNESCO Official               | Court Interpreter             | Peace Corps Volunteer             | Translator                       |
| International Banking Officer | International Account Manager | Transport Equipment Manager       | International Conference Planner |
| Politician                    | Travel Writer                 | Professor                         | Writer                           |
| Drug Enforcement Agent        | Customs /Immigration Officer  | International Hotel Administrator | International Trade Economist    |
| Police Officer                | Pharmacist                    | Editor                            | Production Supervisor            |

## Related Skills for Foreign Language Majors

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| Speaking to groups                           | Reading/writing another language |
| Clarifying ideas                             | Reporting and editing            |
| Reading for content and structure            | Writing clearly                  |
| Understanding historical language change     | Interpreting data                |
| Explaining complex concepts                  | Evaluating information           |
| Communicating between cultures               | Weighing values                  |
| Reading critically                           | Designing instruments            |
| Assessing needs                              | Interviewing                     |
| Evaluating evidence                          | Adapting to other cultures       |
| Comparing translations interpretations       | Summarizing ideas                |
| Gathering information                        | Working with research subjects   |
| Working with original sources in many fields | Evaluating results               |
| Organizing materials/information             | Acknowledging value systems      |
| Establishing hypotheses                      | Determining the needs of others  |
| Compiling/recording data                     | Understanding cultural diversity |
| Listening carefully/ non-judgmentally        | Collaborating as part of a team  |