

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

WORLD LANGUAGES & LITERATURE

The Department of World languages and Literature offers a diverse range of courses that teach languages as well as courses that explore the intersection between language and different fields such as health, business, sustainability, translation and interpretation, literature, cultural studies, history, linguistics, and film. Proficiency in an additional language can greatly enhance job opportunities and expand your career possibilities given current demographic trends across the U.S.

COMMON JOB TITLES * additional education or certification required post graduation

ENTRY & MID LEVEL POSITIONS

Behavioral Health Therapist*
Interpreter & Translator*
Linguist*
Logistics Coordinator
International Aid Worker
Bilingual Customer Service
Cultural Affairs Director
Family Support Specialist
Project Coordinator (non-profits)

Travel Coordinator
Cultural Consultant
International Relations Specialist*
Content Writer/Editor
Foreign Service Officer
Immigration Specialist
Trade Specialist
Nurse*
World Languages and Literature/ESL Teacher *

AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT: WHERE DO FOREIGN LANGUAGES & LITERATURE MAJORS TYPICALLY WORK?

Government: DEA Nebraska, FBI, NE Dept. of Homeland Security

Nonprofits: International Council for Refugees & Immigrants, Heartland FS

Local/State/Federal Courts: NE Judicial Branch, Douglas County Court

Schools & Universities: Omaha Public Schools, UNO, UNL

International Businesses: Conagra Brands, Omaha Chamber of Commerce

Hospitals & Healthcare: Nebraska Methodist, Children's Hospital

Travel Agencies: Travel Faire, Travel & Transport, Fox World Travel

Cultural Institutions: El Museo Latino, Great Plains Black History Museum

Consulting Firms: Deloitte, KPMG, Baker Tilly

Localization Companies: SDL plc, TransPerfect, Lionbridge

Literary Agencies: Writers House, Boys Town Press, Infusionmedia

Archives & Libraries: Omaha Public Library, NE State Historical Society

IMPORTANT QUALITIES:

Transferable Skills Gained:

Communication Skills
Cultural Awareness
Listening Skills
Writing Skills
Creativity

Concrete Skills Gained:

Language Fluency & Proficiency
SDL Trados
WordPress
Research Databases
Microsoft Applications

HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS :

Join a **UNO World Language Student Organization** to connect with other students, practice your skills, and grow professionally

Consider **Studying Abroad** to develop new perspectives and experience life in a different culture

Get involved in **UNO Experiential and Service Learning** to apply the knowledge you are learning and connect with the community

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MAJOR + MINOR SPECIALIZATION: HOW CAN I SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING BEFORE I GRADUATE?

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World Languages & Literature + International Studies minor = International Relations Specialist

World Languages & Literature + Communication Studies minor = Content Writer/Editor

World Languages & Literature + Cross-Sector Collaborative Leadership minor = Cultural Affairs Director

**Other potential areas of specialization could include: Biology, Engineering, Medical Humanities, Political Science, Psychology, Education, and many more

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK:

Interpreters & Translators

Travel Agents

ESL Teachers

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Check out daily job postings on **Handshake** related to jobs, internships, and opportunities to boost your student experience

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:

A **Masters degree** may be beneficial or required after graduation depending on your desired career path. A Masters degree offers opportunities for advanced study, specialization, and development

More Information: UNO Graduate Programs A-Z

Obtaining an additional **Graduate Certificate** in a language to pursue specific roles may be beneficial for your career goals. Visit the links below to explore the certificates that UNO offers.

UNO Graduate Certificate in Spanish

UNO Graduate Certificate in Teaching Spanish

UNO Graduate Certificate in French

OTHER RESOURCES :

UNO Department of World Languages & Literature

Career Exploration in Career Services

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Occupational Outlook Handbook


NEED SOME EXTRA HELP?


Book an appointment with Career Services

Book an appointment with your Advisor

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