

Foreign Language

How can I succeed with this major?



RIDER
UNIVERSITY

GOVERNMENT

What can I do with this major?

- Translation/Interpretation
- Linguistics
- Peace Corps
- Diplomatic Corps
- Civil Service
- U.S. Postal Service
- Military or FBI Translation
- U.S. Immigration/
Naturalization
- Education

Where do I want to work? (Federal government organizations including ...)

- Overseas aid agencies
- Intelligence and law enforcement agencies
- Department of State
- Homeland Security
- Department of Defense
- School or University

How to get there...

- Live abroad and gain knowledge of politics and economics to prepare for a career in this field.
- Complete an internship with a federal agency.
- Participate in campus organizations and activities that promote interaction with international students.

INDUSTRY & COMMERCE

What can I do with this major?

- Translation/Interpretation
- Banking/Finance
- Sales
- Customer Services
- Consulting
- Advertising and Marketing

Where do I want to work?

- Banks and financial institutions
- Import/Export companies
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- Import/Export companies
- Manufacturers
- Retail stores

How to get there...

- Supplement coursework with business classes or earn a business minor.
- Develop international competency by living and working abroad and by interacting with international students on campus.
- Get involved in student organizations and seek leadership roles.

Tips: FYI

- Watch foreign movies and listen to foreign broadcasts to maintain your fluency.
- Volunteer your language skills to churches, community organizations, and programs that work with people who speak your target language.

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TRAVEL & TOURISM

What can I do with this major?

- Hotel Staff & Management
- Restaurant Staff & Management
- Travel Agencies
- Airport and Airline Personnel
- Foreign Travel Advisors
- Tour Guide

Where do I want to work?

- Tour and excursion companies
- Travel agencies
- Hotels/Motels
- Resorts
- Restaurants

How to get there...

- Take courses in hotel/restaurant administration or recreation and tourism management.
- Get a part-time job in a hotel or restaurant to gain experience.
- Spend some time abroad to learn about various cultures and traditions.

INTERPRETATION/TRANSLATION

What can I do with this major?

Communications

- International News
- University Presses
- International Advertising

Business

- International Banking and Finance
- Import/Export
- International Law

Where do I want to work?

- Freelance
- Educational services
- Business services
- Government agencies

How to get there...

- Seek out any opportunity to converse with native speakers to better learn a language.
- Learn a third language for increased job opportunities.
- Seek certification or accreditation from an interpretation/translation organization.

Advice from professors (students may choose a career in . . .)

- Government Service (*U.S. Postal Service, U.S Customs, F.B.I, military translation*).
- Information Service (*translation, research, and library acquisition specialists*).
- Social Service (*public health services, multilingual legal services*).
- Science (*research and translation, hospital management, World Health Organization*).

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