What I Can Do With a Major In...

FRENCH

Students majoring in French prepare in language, culture, and literature for international business, banking, trade, airlines, or related professions in French-speaking nations (primarily France, Switzerland, Belgium, and Canada). Graduate level studies prepare students for a teaching career in French. Many professional graduate school programs require students to learn a foreign language. Many companies in the United States and abroad are looking for employees who speak more than one language.

Associated Job Titles:
- Customs Official
- Foreign Service Officer
- Import/Export Agent
- Intelligence Expert
- Interpreter
- Language Researcher
- Public Relations Specialist
- Teacher
- Professor
- Translator
- Travel Agent
- Scientific Linguist
- Missionary
- Bilingual Corporate Specialist
- CIA/FBI Agent
- Flight Attendant
- Foreign News Correspondent
- Hotel Manager
- Lawyer
- Journalist
- Peace Corps Volunteer

Associated Skills:
- Fluency in speaking, reading and writing the French Language
- Command of English grammar and vocabulary
- Ability to memorize detailed information
- Background of general knowledge
- Understanding of French culture and history
- Proficiency in phonetics and ability to imitate sounds

Associated Personal Qualities:
- Self discipline
- Motivated learner
- Patient
- Appreciation for the culture and life-styles of others
- Linguistic ability
- Adaptability
- Creativity
- Love for and appreciation of French

Career Library Resources:
- Great Jobs for Foreign Language Majors
- Liberal Arts Jobs
- What Color Is Your Parachute?
- Career Planning Today
- Majoring in the Rest of Your Life
- Do What You Are
- The Kuder Book of People Who Like Their Work
- Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance
- The Enhanced Guide for Occupational Exploration
- The Dictionary of Occupational Titles
- The Occupational Outlook Handbook
- FOCUS Computer Guidance System

Places To Contact For More Information:
- French Institute
  22 East 60
  New York, NY 10022
- American Institute for Foreign Study
  102 Greenwich Ave.
  Greenwich, CT 06830
- American Society of Interpreters
  P.O. Box 9603
  Washington, DC 20016
- Association of Departments of Foreign Languages
  Ten Astor Place
  New York, NY 10003

Websites To Visit:
- www.louvre.fr
- www.central.edu/library/language.htm
- www.radio-france.fr
- www.afusa.org
- http://french.about.com

Professors To Contact For More Information:
- Dr. Shelby Thacker, Chair
- Dr. Tom Life

Nearby Employers:
- Fayette County Public Schools 701 E. Main St. 281-0100
- Jessamine County Schools 501 E. Maple St. 885-4179
  *Addresses listed are located in the Lexington, Kentucky area unless otherwise noted.

Alumni Contacts:
Schedule an appointment with Career Services to conduct a tailored search for alumni working in the fields associated with this major.

Note: For specific information concerning course requirements of this major, please pick up a major sheet at the Registrar’s Office located in the Administration Building.

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