What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Arts

Comparative Literature

College of Arts and Sciences

While Comparative Studies is broadly concerned with the study of culture and cultural differences, students develop particular areas of expertise. Comparative Literature focuses on the study of literature from different cultures, nations, and genres, and explores relationships between literature and other forms of cultural expression. Comparative Literature poses such questions as, What is the place of literature in society? How does literature as a form change over time, and in relation to other forms of making art? How does literature shape and respond to values, social movements, or political contexts?

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry

Market Research Analyst

Archivist

Arts Administrator

Cultural Events Coordinator

Anthropologist

Communication and Media

Journalist

Technical Writer
Publisher

Film Critic

Media Analyst Education

Teacher/Professor

Librarian

Translator/Interpreter

Curriculum Developer

Research Assistant
Non-Profit/Advocacy

Peace Corp Volunteer

Clergy or Religious Leader

Social Worker Grant Writer

Human Rights Advocate

Government/Politics

Lawyer

Legal assistant

Legal/Policy Researcher

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.

Transferable Skills:

Basic Computer Skills Language Fluency

Law and Policy Awareness

Expressing Ideas Listening Skills

Provide/Respond to Feedback

Written Communication
Verbal Communication
Cultural Understanding
Social Perceptiveness
Teaching/Instructing Others
Gathering Information

Research Skills
Adaptability/Flexibility
Attention to Detail
Organization Skills
Analytical/Critical Thinking

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: http://ccss.osu.edu

Professional Links:

American Foreign Services Association: http://www.afsa.org/
National Association for Ethnic Studies: http://ethnicstudies.org/
American Comparative Literature Association: http://www.acla.org/

American Translators Association: http://www.atanet.org/

International Comparative Literature Association: http://www.ailc-icla.org/site/