

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

Bachelor of Arts

## French

College of Arts and Sciences

Students learn about the culture, language, history, literature, and media of the 35 French-speaking countries that make up the francophone world. Students develop their language proficiency—listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills—in interactive classroom settings, in our individualized instruction program, and in study abroad settings in France and Canada. As student's progress, they choose from a variety of intermediate- and advanced-level language, culture, literature, and film courses. The French major is designed to give students the opportunity to tailor their major to their personal interests and their professional goals and objectives. Students majoring in French can choose among five options: Language and Literature, Language and Culture, French for the professions, Francophone Studies, and French Studies. <sup>1</sup> Visit the Foreign Language Center for up-to-date information on how foreign language skills can be put to use in the professional world, and to receive guidance on how to conduct on-line job searches, compose global resumes and develop strategies that relate to rewarding professional careers in the age of globalization.

### Career Areas/Job Titles:

#### Management and Industry

Knowing French can complement any business profession in an international setting (trade, finance, engineering, etc.)  
Financial Services Officer  
Senior Account Executive  
Human Resources Director  
Flight Attendant  
Hotel Manager  
Travel Agent

#### Communication and Media

Journalist  
Photographer  
Foreign News Correspondent  
Publisher  
Bilingual Production Assistant  
**Health Professions**  
Translator/Interpreter  
Nurse  
**Education**  
ESL Instructor  
Professor/Teacher/Tutor  
Study Abroad Coordinator

Linguistics Researcher

#### Government/Politics

International Diplomat  
United Nations Member  
Foreign Policy Analyst  
National Security Agent  
Immigration/Naturalization Officer  
Foreign Intelligence Manager  
Military Officer  
Immigration Attorney

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

### Transferable Skills:

Basic Computer Skills  
Language Fluency  
Expressing Ideas  
Speaking Effectively

Written Communication  
Cultural Understanding  
Social Perceptiveness  
Teaching/Instructing Others

Adaptability/Flexibility  
Analytical/Critical Thinking  
Attention to Detail  
Coaching/Mentoring

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

### Professional Links:

International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language: <http://www.iatefl.org/>

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

Vistawide World Culture and Language Careers: [http://www.vistawide.com/careers/language\\_careers.htm](http://www.vistawide.com/careers/language_careers.htm)

Occupational Outlook Handbook: Translators and Interpreters

Foreign Language Center: <http://flc.osu.edu/undergraduate/careers>