

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

Bachelor of Arts

Romance Studies

College of Arts and Sciences

A major in Romance Studies is designed for students who seek significant cultural awareness in one country along with an understanding of two other languages and foreign cultures. The languages included are: French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Romanian and Latin. To satisfy the major, students select a primary, a secondary and a tertiary language field, each in a different Romance language or Latin. Their courses will fall into a 'track' or disciplinary focus in either language/linguistics or literature/culture depending upon the course offerings in the department of their primary field. All students with a Romance Studies specialization are required to spend at least one summer abroad immersed in a foreign environment.¹ 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

Business Development
Manager
Program Coordinator
Museum Curator
Travel Consultant
Historian
Human Resources Director

Communication and Media

Journalist
Foreign News Correspondent
Social Media Coordinator

Law Enforcement

Central Intelligence Agent
Police Officer
Private Investigator/Detective

Education

Professor
Foreign Language Teacher
Research Associate
Librarian
Translator/Interpreter
Study Abroad Coordinator

Non-Profit/Advocacy

Peace Corp Volunteer
Fundraising Coordinator
Social Worker

Government/Politics

Immigration Attorney
Legal Assistant
Paralegal
Immigration Specialist

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

Transferable Skills:

Language Fluency
Editing
Expressing Ideas
Provide/Respond to Feedback
Speaking Effectively
Use Technology Effectively
Written Communication

Cultural Understanding
Service Orientation
Social Perceptiveness
Teamwork
Research Skills
Adaptability/Flexibility
Attention to Detail

Judgment & Decision Making
Administrative Skills
Prioritizing Tasks
Multi-tasking
Analytical/Critical Thinking
Problem Solving

**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

Occupational Outlook Handbook: Translators and Interpreters

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