

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

Bachelor of Arts

World Literatures

College of Arts and Sciences

The major in World Literatures is focused on historical and contemporary literature and the processes of globalization. Students analyze, in English translation, a wide range of fiction, poetry, and drama produced in different geopolitical regions of the world, and study these different literary texts and traditions in their historical and cultural contexts. Program courses emphasize close reading and analysis of particular texts, but also explore the relationships between the texts and the cultures that produced them. To ensure that students' understanding of different literary traditions is global in scope, all students select courses in which they study the literature of the following geopolitical regions: Africa, the Middle East, East and South Asia and the Pacific Islands, Europe and North America, and Latin America and the Caribbean. ⁱ

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry

Labor Relations Specialist
Human Resources Manager
Fundraiser
Tour Guides
Travel Agent

Editor
Publisher
Journalist
Literary Agent

Education

Professor
Study Abroad Coordinator
Linguistics Researcher

Government/Politics

Lawyer

Political Aide
Immigration/Naturalization
Officer
Translator/Interpreter
CIA Linguist
Foreign Policy Analyst

Communication and Media

Public Relations Specialist
Foreign News Correspondent
Press Secretary

**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
Provide/Respond to Feedback
Speaking Effectively
Use Technology Effectively
Written Communication
Cultural Understanding

Service Orientation
Social Perceptiveness
Teaching/Instructing Others
Teamwork
Gathering Information
Research Skills
Setting Goals
Adaptability/Flexibility

Attention to Detail
Organization Skills
Strategic Planning/Visioning
Quantitative Reasoning
Data Analysis
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:

Northeast Modern Language Association: <http://nemla.org/community/areas/global.html>

American Comparative Literature Association: <http://www.acla.org/>

Modern Language Association: <http://www.mla.org/>

International Comparative Literature Association: <http://www.aicl-icla.org/site/>