

What can I do with a major in “Chinese Language and Literature”?

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This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.

Description of Chinese Language and Literature

The Chinese Language and Literature program is a branch of the language arts. Opportunities for graduates include graduate study, education, Foreign Service, and international business. Students majoring in Chinese Language and Literature study one of the major languages of the industrial world and prepare in literature, language, culture, and linguistics for professions in international business, banking, trade, travel, and other professions in the public and private sector. However, the development of language proficiency and an understanding of Chinese culture will make a student majoring in Chinese Language and Literature an asset to organizations around the world.

Research Career

Georgia Career Information Center - <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (accessible only on campus computers)

O*NET - <http://online.onetcenter.org> (click on Find Occupations)

Occupational Outlook Handbook - <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (type in general term for career of interest)

Alberta Occupational Profiles - <http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/occinfo/frameset.asp> (click on Occupational Title Search)

Career Insider - powered by the Vault - http://career.uga.edu/resources/online_resources

*Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant for additional information or assistance.

Possible Job Titles of Chinese Language and Literature Graduates

Announcer	Film Editor	Linguist
Archaeologist	Flight Attendant	Peace Corps Volunteer
Bilingual Educator	Foreign News Correspondent	Programmer
Civil Service Worker	Foreign Service Officer	Proofreader
Consultant*	Historian	Research Assistant
Copy Editor	Hotel Manager	Speech Pathologist
Customs Inspector	Interpreter / Translator	Technical Writer
Diplomat	Journalist	Theologian
Educator / Instructor	Lexicographer	Translator
FBI / CIA Agent	Librarian	Underwriter

Possible Employers of Chinese Language and Literature Graduates

Advertising Dept/Agencies	Import / Export Companies	Peace Corps
Air, Bus, and Rail Lines	Investment Firms	Premiere Technologies
Airports	Ketchum International	Print Graphix
Banks	Kimberly Clark	ProCorp
Bunim Murray Productions*	Linguarama	Public Relations Firms
Chambers of Commerce	Lodgian, Inc.	Public Service Organizations
Delta Airlines*	Maritz Internet Travel	Schools/Universities
Embassies	Marriott's Chateau Elan	Travel Agencies
Government Agencies	National Archives	ValueJet Airlines
Hotel Chains	News Bureaus	Visitors Bureaus

Career Center Library Resources

Careers for Foreign Language Aficionados and Other Multilingual Types by H. Seelye and J. Day

Great Jobs for Foreign Language Majors by Julie DeGalan and Stephen Lambert

Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors by Blythe Camenson

Keys to Liberal Arts Success by Figler, Carter, Bishop & Kravits
Liberal Arts Jobs: The guide that turns learning into earning by Burt Nadler
Opportunities in Foreign Language Careers by Wilga Rivers
Directory of American Firms Operating in Foreign Countries
Directory of Foreign Firms Operating in the US

Campus Resources

Comparative Literature Department - <http://www.cmlt.uga.edu/prospective-students/chinese-major.html>

Employment Websites

American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages - <http://www.actfl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1>

Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages - http://www.tesol.org/s_tesol/index.asp

The United Nations - www.un.org

Bi-Lingual Jobs - <http://www.bilingual-jobs.com/>

Center for International Trade and Security - <http://cits.uga.edu/>

Central Intelligence Agency Foreign Language - <https://www.cia.gov/careers/index.html>

Language Jobs - <http://languagejobs.org/>

National Association for Bilingual Education - <http://www.nabe.org/>

Overseas Jobs - <http://www.overseasjobs.com/>

Peace Corps - <http://www.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm>

U.S. Department of State Careers - <http://www.state.gov/careers/>

Additional Resources

American Association for Applied Linguistics - www.aaal.org

The American Association of Language Specialists - www.taals.net

American Translators Association - www.atanet.org

College Language Association - www.clascholars.org