

What can I do with a major in Russian?

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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 Russian

With Russian being the language of approximately 150 million people, students majoring in Russian study one of the major languages of the world. Primary emphasis for Russian majors is on Russian speaking countries found in Eastern Europe and countries in the former Soviet Union. The undergraduate program in Russian is designed to provide students with communicative proficiency in the Russian language and knowledge of important aspects of Russian culture. Having a greater sense of the Russian culture, these students are prepared for professions in government, politics, international relations and business, banking, trade, travel, or a host of other related professions. In fact, many companies in the United States and abroad are looking for employees who speak more than one language. The cultural awareness gained is a transferable skill that will be highly prized.

Research Careers

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 Russian Graduates

(*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Associate Coordinator*	Employment Interviewer	Linguist
Bilingual Instructor	Flight Attendant*	Marketing Director*
Cast Member*	Foreign News Journalist	Peace Corps Volunteer French Teacher
CIA/FBI Special Agent	Foreign Services Worker	Restaurant Management*
Civil Service Worker	French Teacher*	Sales Associate*
Community Relations	Historian	Speech Pathologist
Copy Editor	Hotel Manager	Technical Recruiter*
Corporate Specialist	Immigration Specialist	Translator
Customs Official	Import/Export Agent	
Development Assistant*	Intelligence Specialist Interpreter	
Diplomat	Language Researcher	

Possible Employers of Russian Graduates

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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*	ProCorps*
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

Russian/Slavic Language and Culture Resources - <http://www.gsstudies.uga.edu/resources.html>

Employment Websites

American Association of Language Specialists - <http://www.taals.net/>
American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages - <http://www.actfl.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1>
United States Citizenship & Immigration Services - www.uscis.gov
Germany-USA Career Center - www.germany-usa.com
German American Chamber of Commerce (located in Atlanta, GA) - <http://www.gaccsouth.com/>
Goethe Institute in Atlanta - http://www.goethe.de/ins/us/at/enindex.htm?wt_sc=atlanta
Language Jobs - <http://languagejobs.org/>
The Russian Jobs Network - www.russnet.org
American-Russian Chamber of Commerce & Industry - www.arcci.org
American Chamber of Commerce in Russia - www.amcham.ru
Foundation for Russian American Economic Cooperation - www.fraec.org
The Russian American Cultural Center - www.russianamericanculture.com
The Moscow Times Career Center - www.careercenter.ru

Additional Resources

American Association for Applied Linguistics - <http://www.aaal.org/>
American Association of Teachers of German - <http://www.aatg.org/>
American Translators Association - <http://www.atanet.org/>
College Language Association - <http://www.clascholars.org/>
Modern Language Association - <http://www.mla.org/>
National Association for Bilingual Education - <http://www.nabe.org/>