A degree in one of the Modern Languages programs equips students with the ability to speak, understand, read and write another language and helps foster an appreciation of its literature and culture. During the course of their studies, Modern Languages majors develop skills like written and verbal communication, research and interpersonal, plus a cultural awareness and global perspective that enables them to contribute in a variety of areas. Below are just a few examples of the many fields or general areas you might consider. However, keep in mind that Modern Languages majors have also found success in a much wider variety of professions. To learn more about where some of DePaul University’s Modern Language alumni have found their success, visit ask.depaul.edu!

### I CAN GO INTO...

Modern Languages majors learn communication skills that would enable them to excel in many different functional areas like interpreting, translating, advertising, publishing and journalism.

### AND POSSIBLY WORK FOR...

- Foreign news agencies
- Magazines
- Internet and broadcast media companies
- Advertising firms
- Publishing houses
- Communication departments in large companies

### DOING THIS CAN HELP ME GET THERE...

**Sharpen Your Skills**
- Take courses with an emphasis on writing.
- Participate in campus organizations related to foreign language, cultures and/or media and writing.
- Find volunteer opportunities at foreign consulates or other internationally-focused organizations where you can practice translating.

**Gain Experience.**
- Write for campus publications focused on national and international affairs.
- Seek out internships that allow you to practice your language skills.
- Improve your language proficiency by studying abroad.

**Pursue a Minor.**
- Consider a minor in Communication & Media, Communication Studies, Intercultural Communication, International Communication, Journalism or Professional Writing.

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**Modern Languages? I can go into... and possibly work for... doing this can help me get there...**

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**What can I do with a major in Modern Languages?**
### Modern Languages Majors

#### Education

- Public and Private middle schools and high schools
- Language institutes
- Americorps programs

**Potential Employers**
- Corazon
- Meddeas
- Great Lakes Academy Charter School
- Indo-American Center
- Language Stars
- Lincoln Park High School
- Teach For America
- Teach for China
- The International School of Choueifat

**Career Preparation Strategies**
- Sharpen Your Skills.
- Look for opportunities to tutor, participate in after school programs or volunteer at organizations that offer homework programs for kids.
- Get involved in organizations that allow you to practice speaking and/or reading your chosen language(s).

**Gain Experience.**
- Apply for tutoring and mentorship positions in The Writing Center.
- Apply to be a language tutor through the Department of Modern Languages.
- Teach English abroad.
- Study abroad to improve your language proficiency.
- Student teach.

*please note that public schools and most private schools require teachers to be licensed by the state after completing and accredited education degree program (such as those offered by DePaul's College of Education)*

#### Business and Non-Profit

The verbal communication and presentation skills, cultural awareness and interpersonal skills of many Modern Languages majors makes them well placed to start in entry-level positions across a wide variety of business functions including sales, human resources, marketing and office administration in both non-profit and for-profit organizations.

- Public and private businesses
- Non-profit organizations
- Consulting firms
- Museums

**Sharpen Your Skills**
- Take courses or participate in extracurricular activities that help build excellent communication skills.
- Build leadership skills by taking on specific roles in student or community organizations.
- Join an organization like Toastmasters to practice your presentation skills.
- Stay current on international business trends by reading foreign and domestic papers.

**Gain Experience**
- Obtain a business-related internship in your area of interest.
- Volunteer or intern at a non-profit organization.
- Find a part-time job in your industry of interest and practice putting your skills into action.
- Learn about the grant-writing process.

**Pursue a Minor**
- Consider a minor in Business Administration or a more specific business-oriented area (e.g. sales) if appropriate.

**Sample List of Companies for Modern Languages Majors**
- Rotary International
- Chinese Mutual Aid Association
- RefugeeOne
- Chicago Council on Global Affairs
- Greenheart International
- American Red Cross
- Baker Tilly
- Euromonitor International
- Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
- Mountbatten Institute
- The Reynolds and Reynolds Company

**Sample List of Job & Internship Titles for Modern Languages Majors**
- Inside Sales and Marketing Assistant
- Translator
- Business Leadership Development Program
- International Assistant
- Research Associate - Bilingual
- Service Learning & Outreach Coordinator
- Marketing Assistant - International Education Programs
- Bilingual Customer Training Professional
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<td>Modern Languages majors develop cultural sensitivity, a global focus and language skills that can help them succeed in many different areas of government service.</td>
<td><em>Gain Experience</em>&lt;br&gt;• Obtain an internship in a government agency or seek opportunities to shadow others in your area of interest.&lt;br&gt;• Learn about government application procedures and timelines by researching positions of interest.&lt;br&gt;• Study and/or live abroad to gain cultural and political awareness.</td>
<td><em>Pursue a Minor.</em>&lt;br&gt;• Depending on your area of interest, identify minors that will complement your skill set like Economics, Public Policy Studies, Peace, Justice, &amp; Conflict Studies, Political Science or Sociology.</td>
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