

Linguistics & Cultural Studies

The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to Linguistics and cultural studies. Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

Sample Job Titles:

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- Categorization Analyst
 - College/University Professor
 - Corporate Travel Manager
 - Court Interpreter
 - Cross Cultural Trainer
 - Cultural Advisor
 - Cultural Tour Guide
 - Diversity Consultant
 - Editor
 - Educational Curriculum Designer
 - ESL/ESOL Teacher
 - Export Manager
 - FBI Linguist
 - Foreign Language Teacher
 - Foreign Rights Manager
 - Foreign Service Officer
 - Forensic Linguist
 - Import/Export Agent
 - International Relations Specialist
 - Interpreter
 - Junior Linguist
 - Language Consultant
 - Legal Text Analyst
 - Lexicographer
 - Linguist
 - Linguistic Content Analyst
 - NCS Language Officer (CIA)
 - Policy Analyst
 - Public Advocacy
 - Publisher
 - Open Source Officer (CIA)
 - Program Director, International Student's Office
 - Program Director, Study Abroad Office
 - Researcher
 - Social Service Worker
 - Speech Recognition
 - Technical Writer
 - Translator
 - Travel Writer

Possible Professional Settings:

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- Acting Industry
 - Artificial Intelligence – Voice Recognition
 - College/University Professor
 - Courts of Law
 - Cultural Exchange Organizations
 - Embassies
 - Federal Agencies
 - Federal, State and Local Government
 - Forensic Linguist in Law or Medicine
 - Immigration and Customs Offices
 - International Corporations
 - International Education Organizations
 - International Travel Organizations
 - Law Enforcement Agencies (FBI)
 - Law Firms
 - Non Profit Organizations
 - Police Departments
 - Product Naming Companies
 - Publishing Industry
 - Social Services
 - Testing and Assessment Companies

Resources:

The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.*

Professional Associations

- Linguistic Society of America: <http://www.lsadc.org>
- The Linguist List: <http://linguistlist.org>

General Career Information

- Washington Occupation Information System: www.wois.org Site Key: KTX478
- Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/oco
- The Occupational Information Network, (O*Net): www.onetcenter.org

SPU Resources

- Linguistics & Cultural Studies Department Website: <http://spu.edu/depts/fll/>
- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 - 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: www.spu.edu/depts/sas
- Academic Catalog: www.spu.edu/academics.aspx
- On Track Degree Planner: <http://spu.edu/academics/on-track-degree-planner/>

* Websites are current as of September 2011. If any go inactive, please let us know.