



# CAREER PATHFINDERS

## MODERN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES DEGREE

Language can be used as either a primary or an auxiliary skill in a career. A language degree, especially in conjunction with another major or minor, provides the skills sought after by many employers, such as: the government, museums, the travel and tourism industry, as well as companies with overseas offices. With further education, students with a degree in French, German, Italian or Spanish Studies can go on to teach or become translators and interpreters. In Canada, being bilingual in English and French gives a competitive advantage when applying for careers in the public sector.

### Career Options / Job Titles

(SOME MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING)

- Art Dealer (NOC 0621)
- Bilingual Officer/Clerk (NOC 1221)
- Court Interpreter (NOC 5125)
- Cultural Officer (NOC 4164)
- Customs/Immigration Officer (NOC 1228)
- Financial Planning Associate (NOC 1114)
- Foreign Service Officer (NOC 4168)
- Human Resources Director (NOC 0112)
- Importer/Exporter (NOC 6411)
- Insurance Agent (NOC 6231)
- Intelligence Specialist (NOC 4311)
- International Trade Assistant (NOC 0412)
- Interpreter (NOC 5125)
- Library Technician (NOC 5211)
- Linguist (NOC 4169)
- Media Specialist (NOC 1123)
- Museum Curator (NOC 5112)

### Skills Developed by Modern Languages & Literatures Majors

- Gather, assess and interpret information
- Lead and participate in discussions and groups
- Organize workload and meet deadlines
- Express opinions and propose ideas
- Analyze texts and identify essential information
- Translate from one language to another

## Employers / Areas of Employment

- Administrative/Personnel Departments
- Consulting Firms
- Court System
- Cultural Organizations
- Educational Institutions
- Financial Industry
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Health Agencies
- Health Care Centres
- Human Resources Departments
- Insurance Industry
- International Organizations
- Investment Industry
- Legal Profession
- Libraries
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications Industries
- Museums/Galleries
- Non-Government Organizations
- Professional Associations
- Retail/Wholesale Establishments
- Social Service Organizations
- Trade/Research Institutes
- Translation/Interpretation Agencies

## Professional Associations and Websites

- Modern Languages and Literature Fact Sheet <http://uwinnipeg.ca/factsheets/docs/factsheet-languages.pdf>
- NOC Codes <http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/English/NOC/2011/Welcome.aspx>
- Modern Language Association <https://www.mla.org/>
- Careers in Languages <http://lrc.wfu.edu/careersinlanguages/>
- Canadian Translators, Terminologists and Interpreters Council <http://www.cttic.org/Professions.asp>
- British Comparative Literature Association <https://bcla.org/>
- Language Jobs 4U <http://www.languagejobs4u.com/>
- Lingua Jobs <http://www.lingua-jobs.com/>
- Multilingual Careers <http://www.multilingualcareers.eu/>
- Multilingual Vacancies <http://www.multilingualvacancies.com/>
- Top Language Jobs <http://www.toplanguagejobs.co.uk/>
- The Canadian Association of University Teachers of German Studies <http://www.cautg.org/>
- The Canadian Society for Italian Studies <http://canadiansocietyforitalianstudies.camp7.org/>
- Canadian Association of Hispanists <http://www.hispanistas.ca/inicio.html>