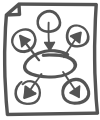


What you can do with your **LINGUISTICS MAJOR**



Major Skills:



Analytical Thinking

You analyze patterns in language use and changes in languages over time; synthesize information from a variety of sources.



Communication

You articulate technical concepts and ideas clearly and effectively in verbal and written formats.



Qualitative & Quantitative Data Analysis

You collect empirical language data using a variety of methodologies; qualitative and quantitative evaluation of results; model language knowledge computationally.



Multicultural Awareness

You respond effectively to situations of bias and prejudice; use knowledge and skills to educate others.



Critical Thinking

You make insightful observations; formulate empirically testable hypotheses; critically evaluate competing hypotheses.

Supplement Your Skills With:



Lab Research



Gain Experience: Volunteering, Internships & Part-Time Work



Global & Intercultural Experience



Opportunities to Foster Equity & Inclusion



Leadership



Career & Self Development

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account

for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Explore Career Communities

to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your major into success.

Get Career & Internship Advising

from SuccessWorks to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student or about to graduate.

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Put your Linguistics major to **WORK**

Job Titles of Alumni:

- Attorney
- Business Analyst
- Communications Specialist
- Consultant
- Director/Owner
- Editor
- Executive Director
- Physician Assistant
- President/CEO
- Professor
- Program/Project Manager
- Registered Nurse
- Software Developer/Engineer
- Speech Language Pathologist
- Teacher

Sample Employers of Alumni:

- Amazon
- Apple
- City of New York
- Epic
- KPMG
- Madison Metropolitan School District
- Meetings and Incentives Worldwide, Inc.
- Metropolitan State University of Denver
- Middlebury College
- Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine
- State of Wisconsin
- Travelers
- University of Minnesota
- University of Wisconsin
- UW Health
- Voice of America
- Web Courseworks
- Writer Access



Post-Graduation Plans 2016-2022:

- 67%** Employment
- 33%** Continuing Education, Graduate School

Industry of Employment 2016-2022:

1. Education
2. Information Technology
3. Healthcare
4. Finance
5. Government
6. Hospitality
7. Non-Profit
8. Arts & Entertainment
9. Human Resources
10. Life Sciences

Where Alumni Live & Work:

- 39%** Wisconsin
- 10%** Illinois
- 7%** California
- 7%** Minnesota
- 4%** New York
- 2%** Colorado
- 31%** Other



"My experience with the numerous subfields of linguistics – everything from phonetics and syntax to sociolinguistics and pragmatics – helped me build a particular capacity for understanding and moving between levels of multifaceted systems. I currently apply this capacity in my role as an arts administrator, primarily within museums and cultural organizations, where I am tasked with synthesizing, communicating, and making connections across distinct areas of complex institutions. In this context, I also enjoy applying my experience with linguistics toward investigating and evaluating such topics as culturally-specific modes of organizing information."

Naomi Crocker, 2009

Manager of Director's Office & Strategic Initiatives
Minneapolis, MN



"My linguistics background informs my work by providing me with augmented knowledge of language and its component parts. This strong foundation allows me to more effectively evaluate and treat speech, language, and communication disorders, especially in culturally and linguistically diverse client populations."

Elena Groves, 2021

Speech Language Pathologist, Powerback
Janesville, WI

Career Communities for Linguistics Majors

SuccessWorks has eight Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Linguistics majors can start.

Not inspired by these options? Visit SuccessWorks to explore more widely.

- Technology, Data & Analytics
- Non-Profit Management & Education
- Communications, Entertainment and the Arts
- Consulting, Finance, Management & Client Relations
- Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law

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