

What you can do with **RUSSIAN & POLISH MAJORS**



Russian & Polish Major Skills



Written & Spoken Language Proficiency

You learn to interpret and articulate thoughts and ideas in Russian or Polish verbally and in writing.



Cultural Competence

You develop awareness of and sensitivity to practices, products, and perspectives and diverse cultural, historical, social, and political contexts of other cultures along with your own.



Teamwork

You build and maintain collaborative relationships to work effectively toward common goals, while appreciating diverse viewpoints and shared responsibilities.



Critical Reading & Analytical Thinking

You analyze texts in their historical and cultural context, recognize and apply patterns in communication, assess evidence and develop arguments based on that evidence, and recognize the possible implications of texts for various contexts, perspectives, and issues.



Creative Thinking

You learn to generate original ideas, experiment and take risks, take initiative, solve problems, and use a wide variety of media to communicate.

Supplement Your Skills With



Career & Self Development



Internships, Part-Time Work & Community Outreach



Data Analysis & Interpretation



Experience Fostering Professional Equity & Inclusion



Leadership & Teamwork

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.

Get Started: successworks.wisc.edu

Put your Russian & Polish majors to **WORK**

Common Alumni Job Titles

- Account Manager/Executive
- Business Development Director
- Business Owner/Founder
- Counsel/Attorney
- Data/Systems Analyst
- Information Technology Administrator
- Marketing Director
- Partner
- President/Vice President
- Professor
- Project Manager
- Quality Tester
- Resource Analyst
- Software Engineer
- Technical Writer/Editor



Common Employers of Alumni

- American Councils for International Education
- American Family Insurance
- American Voices
- BMO Harris Bank
- Calian & Gross, LLP
- El Centro Family Health
- Epic
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Harvard University
- Intertractor America Corporation
- Kraft Heinz Corporation
- Library of Congress
- Minneapolis Public Schools
- National Endowment for Democracy
- University of Wisconsin-Madison
- US Army
- US Bank
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of State

Recent Grads' Career Plans

- 63%** Employment
- 22%** Continuing Education
- 9%** Military Service
- 4%** Volunteer/Service Program
- 2%** Other

Industry of Employment

1. Education
2. Information Technology
3. Finance
4. Legal
5. Healthcare
6. Government
7. Retail & Hospitality
8. Arts & Entertainment
9. Nonprofit
10. Real Estate

Where Alumni Live & Work

- 28%** Wisconsin
- 15%** Illinois
- 10%** California
- 5%** Colorado
- 34%** Other



"Aside from language skills, which I use every day, the attention to detail I learned through Russian has helped me succeed. Considering word choice and how that can change interpretation has given me a great eye for fine details, even outside of language, and has made me a better communicator overall."

Tim Butler, 2015

**Game Night PR Staff - New York Rangers, National Hockey League
New York, NY**



"The Russian major provides students opportunities to literally expand the ways they perceive the world, and to learn about the history and culture of a nation that continues to play a significant role in world affairs. The ability to seize upon and understand nuance between worldviews prepares students for all sorts of professional and life situations."

Kyle Farrell, 2015

**Desk Officer for South & Central Asian Affairs
U.S. Agency for International Development
Arlington, VA**

Career Communities for Russian & Polish Majors

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

- **Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law**
- **Technology, Data & Analytics**
- **Communications, Media & the Arts**
- **Non-Profit & Education**

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

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