



What can I do with a major in... **Intercultural Studies and English Teaching**

Intercultural Studies and English Teaching (TESOL) major is a four-year program to prepare students to teach English to speakers of other languages in and from other countries. This degree does not lead to education licensure.

What types of work are related to this degree?

- Community organizing
- Cross-cultural work
- English teaching (overseas)
- Intercultural program coordinator
- Missions
- Refugee resettlement/hospitality ministry
- Relief and development
- Church staff member
- Ethnic/international coordinator
- Government work
- Hospitality ministries
- Inner city ministry
- Church-based ESL program teacher
- Teacher for US citizenship classes
- Workplace English teacher

**More information
online at
ONETonline.org**

Who employs people with this degree?

- Missions agencies
- Cross cultural ministries, domestic or foreign
- Federal government
(CIA, FBI, Military, USAID, Peace Corps, etc.)
- Government contractors (especially defense contractors)
- Embassies and consulates
- Non-governmental organizations
(such as International Red Cross)
- Travel industry
- Universities/study abroad programs
- Foreign policy research institutes
- Teach abroad programs
- Adult Basic Education (ABE) Programs
- Overseas schools, boarding schools, or language institutes
- Refugee relocation agencies
- Social service agencies

Strategies for Success:

- Intercultural studies majors have an understanding of global issues and trends. Understanding of other cultures is valued by employers in many industries including education, government, and business.
- Speaking a second language is an enormous advantage. Make sure you can read, write, and speak your second language fluently to increase options. Develop relationships where you can use your language skills.
- Minor or take courses in business to increase employability options.
- Spend a semester or year studying abroad. Seek an international internship, even if unpaid. Obtain related experience with organizations in the US.
- Gain experience in communications with people from other countries. Get involved with the international student community on campus.
- Subscribe to online or print publications with a global, intercultural, or missions focus.

Professional Associations:

National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE)
 Association of American Boarding Schools
 Association of Christian Schools International

American Society of Missiology
 Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Inc. (TESOL)

This information represents possible occupations and strategies for careers with this major. As with any job or career, there may be additional qualifications or experience needed. For more information and options, make an appointment with Career Development or check out our online resources on our website or on theROCK, Career Development tab.