What can I do with a major in... Intercultural Studies and SPANISH

The Intercultural Studies and Spanish major is designed to prepare students to work with and minister to Hispanic people in a Spanishspeaking country or in the United States.

What types of work are related to this degree?

Community organizing	
Cross-cultural work	
Intercultural program coordinator	
Missions: career and short term	
Mission site coordinator	
Refugee resettlement/hospitality ministry	
Relief and development	
Church staff member	More information
Ethnic/international coordinator	
Government work	online at
Hospitality ministries	ONETonline.org
Inner city ministry	
Church-based ESL program teacher	
Teacher for US citizenship classes	
Workplace English teacher	
English teaching (overseas)	

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) Major corporations Travel industry Universities/study abroad programs Foreign policy research institutes Teach abroad programs Adult and community education **Overseas schools** Refugee relocation and 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 Spanish fluently to increase options. Develop relationships with others where you can use your Spanish 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 Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages, Inc. (TESOL) Media Fellowship International American Society of Missiology

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.