



What can I do with a major in... INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

The Intercultural Studies major is designed to promote the interest and develop skills for intercultural work/ministry both in North America and overseas.

What types of work are related to this degree?

Missions
Humanitarian aid
Foreign Service official
Diplomacy
Policy analysis
International development
Church staff member
Community organization director (cross cultural)
Evangelism and church planting
Government work
Hospitality ministries
House parent
Inner city ministry
Overseas business
Refugee resettlement
Teaching English to speakers of other languages
(with TESOL minor track)

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

More information online at ONETonline.org

General Strategies for Success:

- Minor or take courses in business to increase employability options.
- 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.
- Learn at least one additional language. Consider the Intercultural Studies and Spanish Major.
- Spend a semester or year studying abroad.
- Seek an international internship, even if unpaid.
- Obtain related experience with organizations in the U.S.
- Plan to participate in the Department's international internship—start saving money now!
- Research certification options for teaching English (TESOL, CELTA, CELTC, TEFL) including the Intercultural Studies and English Teaching major.
- 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.

Select Professional Associations:

Evangelical Missiological Society
American Society of Missiology

Interdenominational Foreign Missions Association
Association of Christian Schools International

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.