The Department of Slavic and East European Languages and Cultures offers an undergraduate major in Russian with two tracks—Russian language and Russian literature, culture, and film. Both tracks offer students training in skills to communicate in Russian, to foster an understanding of Russian culture and society, and to develop critical reasoning, reading, and writing skills. It is the language of one of the world’s leading cultures, whose achievements in literature, art, music, science, technology, and sports have won worldwide acclaim, and whose history, internal politics, and foreign policy have a large impact on global events. For this reason, Russian is classified as a critical needs language by the U.S. government. Visit the Foreign Language Center for up-to-date information on how foreign language skills can be put to use in the professional world, and to receive guidance on how to conduct on-line job searches, compose global resumes and develop strategies that relate to rewarding professional careers in the age of globalization.

Career Areas/Job Titles:

**Management and Industry**
- Knowing Russian can complement any business profession in an international setting (trade, finance, engineering, etc.)
- Financial Services Officer
- Senior Account Executive
- Human Resources Director
- Trade Specialist
- Hotel Manager
- Travel Agent

**Communication and Media**
- Journalist
- Photographer
- Foreign News Correspondent
- Bilingual Production Assistant
- Translator/Interpreter
- Nurse
- ESL Instructor
- Professor/Teacher/Tutor
- Study Abroad Coordinator
- Linguistics Researcher

**Health Professions**

**Government/Politics**
- International Diplomat
- United Nations Member
- Foreign Policy Analyst
- National Security Agent
- Immigration/Naturalization Officer
- Foreign Intelligence Manager
- Military Officer
- Immigration Attorney

Transferable Skills:

- Basic Computer Skills
- Language Fluency
- Expressing Ideas
- Speaking Effectively
- Written Communication
- Cultural Understanding
- Social Perceptiveness
- Teaching/Instructing Others
- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Attention to Detail
- Coaching/Mentoring
- Research Skills
- Organization Skills

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.

Professional Links:

- International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language: [http://www.iatefl.org/](http://www.iatefl.org/)
- Occupational Outlook Handbook: Translators and Interpreters
- Foreign Language Center: [http://flc.osu.edu/undergraduate/careers](http://flc.osu.edu/undergraduate/careers)