While Comparative Studies is broadly concerned with the study of culture and cultural differences, students develop particular areas of expertise. Comparative Literature focuses on the study of literature from different cultures, nations, and genres, and explores relationships between literature and other forms of cultural expression. Comparative Literature poses such questions as, What is the place of literature in society? How does literature as a form change over time, and in relation to other forms of making art? How does literature shape and respond to values, social movements, or political contexts?

Career Areas/Job Titles:

**Management and Industry**
- Film Critic
- Media Analyst
- Archivist
- Teacher/Professor
- Librarian
- Translator/Interpreter
- Research Assistant
- Peace Corp Volunteer

**Education**
- Clergy or Religious Leader
- Social Worker
- Grant Writer
- Human Rights Advocate
- Government/Politics
- Lawyer
- Legal assistant
- Legal/Policy Researcher

**Communication and Media**
- Journalist
- Technical Writer
- Publisher

**Non-Profit/Advocacy**
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**Transferable Skills:**
- Basic Computer Skills
- Written Communication
- Written Communication
- Research Skills
- Language Fluency
- Verbal Communication
- Verbal Communication
- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Law and Policy Awareness
- Cultural Understanding
- Cultural Understanding
- Attention to Detail
- Expressing Ideas
- Social Perceptiveness
- Social Perceptiveness
- Organization Skills
- Listening Skills
- Teaching/Instructing Others
- Teaching/Instructing Others
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Provide/Respond to Feedback
- Gathering Information
- Gathering Information

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

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)*

**Professional Links:**
- American Comparative Literature Association: [http://www.acla.org/](http://www.acla.org/)
- International Comparative Literature Association: [http://www.aicl-icla.org/site/](http://www.aicl-icla.org/site/)