CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJORS

SKILLS & ABILITIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES MAJOR

Skills
- Conflict Resolution
- Diplomacy
- Ethics
- Foreign Language
- Policy Analysis
- Active Listening
- Social Perceptiveness
- Problem Sensitivity
- Coordination
- Time Management
- Complex Problem Solving
- Judgment and Decision-Making

Knowledge
- International Law
- Transnational Forces
- Military Strategy

Abilities
- Written & Oral Communication (Reports)
- Deductive Reasoning—Apply general rules to specific problems
- Close Attention to Detail
- Inductive Reasoning—Utilize specific details to form general rules
- Networking—Form strong interpersonal Relationships
- International Research
- Understanding of Global Diversity

POTENTIAL CAREERS

Archivist
Demographer
Diplomat
Foreign Affairs Analyst
Foreign Affairs Specialist
Foreign Service Officer
Immigration Specialist
Intelligence Specialist
Journalist

Language Specialist
Humanitarian Relief Worker
International Educator

Careers Requiring Advanced Degrees
International Lawyer
Professor of International Studies
University International Student Advisor
International Researcher
TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

- State/Federal Government
- Banks
- International Organizations
- Import/Export Organizations
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Travel Industry
- Business and Industry
- Public Relations Firms
- Peace Corps

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS POSITIONS BY FEDERAL AGENCIES

- Department of Homeland Security
- Department of Defense
- Department of Justice
- Department of State
- Office of Personnel Management
- Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Foreign Service of the Department of State, www.state.gov
- Association of International Educators, www.nafsa.org

Sources: University of Southern California Career Center, O*Net Online,