

ABOUT THE MAJOR

The Department of World Languages and Cultures provides an in-depth look at multiple languages and cultures. If you are interested in expanding your worldview and knowledge of the diverse world you inhabit, then one of these 11 majors is a great fit for you! There are 8 majors that focus on language – Chinese, French, French Teaching, German, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, and Spanish Teaching – and 3 majors that focus on culture – Classics, Comparative Literacy and Cultural Studies, and Religious Studies. Within any of these majors, you'll further your understanding of other cultures, which in turn refines your critical thinking, writing, and communication skills across any language. You will have the opportunity to engage with literature, film, history, music, various aspects of popular media, and other arts to develop a comparative perspective on your own culture, language, values, history, and traditions. This inter-cultural understanding will help prepare you to engage intelligently and sympathetically with multiple peoples and nations across the world, opening the door to plenty of opportunities across diverse professions. The Department of World Languages and Cultures is committed to preparing you to contribute globally in all areas of social, cultural, business, and political interaction. You will become a more productive and empathetic citizen of Utah, the USA, and the world.




LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Develop cultural competency in a culture(s) of your choice.
- Gain broad knowledge and comprehension of the literature, history, geography, art, architecture, philosophy, religions, etc. of the region(s) in which a target language is spoken.
- Learn to apply critical analysis to cultural artifacts, particularly texts, in a chosen culture(s) and across cultures.
- Communicate knowledge effectively both in a chosen language(s) and one's own native language.

PLAN & PREPARE

At the U, we plan for our students to have an Exceptional Educational Experience identified by four broad categories we call the Learning Framework: Community, Knowledge & Skills, Transformation, and Impact. This major map will help you envision, explore, design, and plan your personalized Exceptional Educational Experience with the Learning Framework at the core. In addition to assisting you in planning your coursework and navigating the requirements of your major, it will help you incorporate other kinds of experiences that will expand your knowledge, support your development, and prepare you for the future you want.

Get started today

-  Schedule an appointment with an advisor: advising.utah.edu
-  Visit ugs.utah.edu
-  Learn more about the Learning Framework ugs.utah.edu/learning-framework



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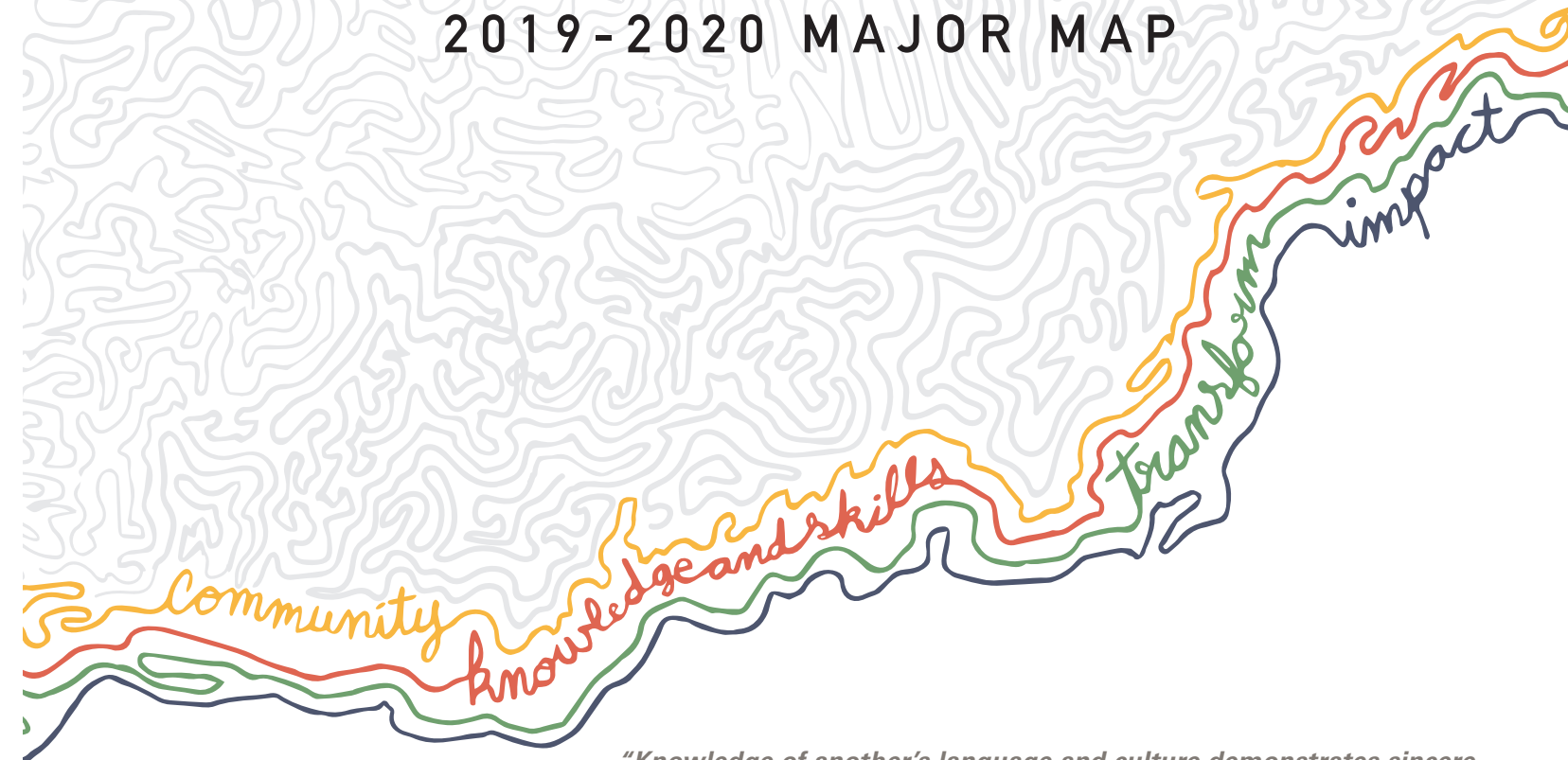


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2019-2020 MAJOR MAP



"Knowledge of another's language and culture demonstrates sincere care and concern for those around you and facilitates a meaningful connection with people of varied backgrounds."

>> Megan Mullineaux

Sales Manager, Utah Museum of Natural History

WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

Use this map to explore, envision, design, and plan your Exceptional Educational Experience.



GETTING STARTED

MAKING PROGRESS

FINISHING UP

WHERE CAN I GO AFTER GRADUATION?

COURSES

- Begin with classes in your language or area of choice
- Take beginner-level 1010 classes in Fall
- If you have experience in a language, take a placement test and/or contact an advisor

- Use My Degree Dashboard to track progress
- Meet with an advisor to collaborate & ensure proper course sequencing

- Continue your language sequence to stay on track & don't forget to complete either WLC 2010 or 2020
- Create a schedule that balances Gen Ed, required, and exploration courses

- Apply for graduation at least six months prior
- Complete your WLC¹ department practicum
- Review My Degree Dashboard

- Advising
- Airline Services
- CIA

COMMUNITY

Be on the lookout for activities & groups that interest you:

- Join the MUSS²/ intramural sports
- Check out language clubs or conversation classes
- Visit the Bennion Center to volunteer

Consider taking a leadership role to increase your sense of belonging:

- Try Peer Advising (in WLC & other depts.)
- Become a Career or Hinckley Ambassador
- Join the Bennion Center Community Engaged Scholars Program

- Work on campus
 - Join student government/ASUU³
 - Participate in Undergraduate Research
- If you can't find what you want, create a new group for like-minded students

- Join alumni groups to stay in touch after graduation
- Present your experience at an undergraduate conference or to a broader community

- Curriculum Development
- Event Coordinating
- FBI
- Financial Services
- Foreign Service

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

Build skill sets outside your language/area of study:

- Consider taking UGS 1050 – Major Exploration or attend the Major Expo in September to learn more
- Use a Gen Ed class to explore an area that interests you

Diversify your knowledge & put it into practice through various options:

- Complete an internship in various languages through the Hinckley Institute
- Pursue undergraduate research with UROP⁴
- Study abroad

- Utilize the Writing Center & the Math Lab for academic support
- Take a relevant technology class to broaden your base: IS 2010 – Computer Essentials

- Present a project at the Undergrad Research Symposium
- Sign up to work on a GCSC⁵ research project
- Write an honors thesis

- Higher Education
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Interpretation and Translation
- Legal Services
- Marketing and Advertising

TRANSFORMATION

Consider & plan for meaningful additions to your education:

- Explore learning abroad opportunities
- Pursue intensive language classes
- Join a campus organization relevant to your interests
- Consider an internship

- Language students will benefit from learning abroad; start planning now by collecting program and scholarship information
- Some languages have local internship options with Hinckley

- Spanish and French students can take summer intensive language classes at the U
- All majors can take CLCS 3940 - Community Engaged Learning
- Visit with your advisor to learn how these opportunities can fulfill requirements

- Reflect & notice the changes in yourself over the years
- Share your milestones
- Submit a speech to deliver at commencement
- Complete your thesis
- Participate in graduation activities

- Medical and Health Care
- Military Service
- Non-Profit Organizations (global or local)
- NSA
- Peace Corps

IMPACT

Begin by exploring the impact you want to make:

- Are there examples you hope to emulate?
- What do you consider to be impactful?
- Is it important to you to use your language skills in this effort?

- Consider making an impact through a community service project or register for an Alternative Break
- Take a CEL⁶ class
- Attend a MUSE⁷ event or speaker

- Go to a Hinckley Forum
- Intern with a non-profit
- Talk with your peers to discover their experiences
- Explore Lassonde Entrepreneurship programs

- Put your learning to use beyond the University:
- Create/ design a service project
 - Embark on a new business venture
 - Mentor other students

- Retail Management
- Second Language Teaching
- Video Game Consulting

CAREER

- Visit the Career & Professional Development Center to engage with their many resources & get a head start building your future professional life

- Make an appointment with a Career Coach; they will help you explore potential careers that align with your strengths, values, interests, & personality

- Attend Career Fair(s), pursue local/ national/global internships, & explore job shadowing
- Create a LinkedIn profile and refine your resume with the help of the Career Center

- Your Career Coach can help you search for a job, practice interviewing, learn how to negotiate offers & salary, & refine your resume/application materials
- Join AlumniFire