Why Study Languages, Literatures, and Cultures at UMD?

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND DEGREES IN LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES combine language learning and cultural study with opportunities for community engagement, professional development and study abroad. You’ll gain an international perspective on big ideas in literary and cultural history while learning to think imaginatively across disciplinary and cultural lines. Our classes emphasize purposeful communication, allowing you to become a proficient multilingual thinker, writer and speaker. Recent graduates are applying their skills and knowledge to fields as diverse as journalism, architecture, law, business, environmental science and medicine.

SLLC CURRICULUM
The School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (SLLC) offers degree programs and courses that bring an international perspective to a vast range of subject areas, including film and popular culture, gender and sexuality, poetry and fiction, translation and linguistics. Our students develop language skills while exploring the worlds of speakers of Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish and also examine questions surrounding language learning itself. Many majors are flexible, allowing students to pursue a variety of interests and to combine their study with other majors, minors and certificates.

SAMPLE COURSE TITLES
- Egyptian Pop Culture
- Riots, Rebellions and Revolutions in 18th Century French Literature and Culture
- Troubling Gender and Sex in Japan
- Spanish for Heritage Speakers
LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES DEGREES IN ACTION

97% of recent ARHU graduates are either working full time, interning or pursuing graduate studies.* Here’s where some of our SLLC graduates are working or studying:

- Honda Research Institute, Japan, Researcher
- Casa de Maryland, Field Director
- Teaching Assistant Program in France, English Teaching Assistant
- Duke University, Business and Management
- University of Pennsylvania, Medicine
- Princeton University, Political Science

*Placement rate is based on the May 2019 university graduation survey

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TIPS FOR CAREER SUCCESS

It’s never too early to start planning for your career after graduation. Make an appointment to talk with the University Career Center @ARHU. We’ll work with you to assess your skills, values and interests and use them to find opportunities that meet your goals. Academic and career advisors will help you incorporate internships, living-learning programs, global experiences, research and more into your academic plan. Research shows that having one or more internships increases your ability to land a full-time position after graduation. Learn more at careers.umd.edu.

BE WORLDWISE. GET WORLDREADY. CAREER INITIATIVE

The “Be Worldwise. Get Worldready,” initiative prepares students to adapt and thrive in the workplace and shapes the kind of global citizens they can become. It creatively integrates career development in the ARHU academic experience by offering strategic career preparation and academic advising; engages faculty to develop new and reimagined courses, majors and minors; and provides opportunities to apply scholarship to practice. Students learn to communicate the real-world value of their arts and humanities degree through this initiative.

JOYCE DUDLEY ’14, RUSSIAN Foreign Service Officer, U.S. Department of State

“My experience as a Russian major opened up more doors for me than I can count. After graduating, I was able to go live in Kazakhstan and work at the U.S. Embassy in their public affairs section. With my language skills and cultural appreciation that I learned while being a Russian major, I was truly able to make a lasting impact on the diplomatic relationship between Kazakhstan and the United States.”

SPECIAL PROGRAMS:
- The Language House
- Arabic Flagship
- Persian Flagship

ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS & HUMANITIES (ARHU)

ARHU is home to 14 departments and 79 bachelor’s degrees, minors and certificate programs, so you can tailor your degree (or double major) across various fields of study, including performing and visual arts, languages, literatures and cultures. With an 8 to 1 student to faculty ratio, ARHU offers you the benefits of a tight-knit community with access to the resources of a large, public research institution near the nation’s capital.