What can I do with a major in...

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

International Relations majors can find careers in Government, politics, journalism, business, nonprofit, education and international organizations.

Focus areas include communication & public relations, conflict resolution, energy & environmental sustainability, Human rights and international law, legal agencies, development and relief, education, research (Academia & Think Tanks), science, technology, security, intelligence and trade policy.

INDUSTRIES:
Public, Multilateral, Non-Profit, Non-Government Organizations and Private sectors

Salary
$25K - $100K+
ENTRY LEVEL - SENIOR LEVEL

Skills
Language Proficiency
Understanding of Public policy
Strong Verbal and Written communication skills
Presentation Skills
Critical Thinking
Teamwork/Collaboration
Ability to obtain a security clearance
Program Management
Research
Overseas experience
Quantitative Analysis

Common Job Titles
Foreign Service Officer
Consultant
Analyst
Immigration Specialist
Economist
Diplomat
Intelligence Specialist
International Lawyer
International Marketing Specialist
Research Analyst
Foreign Affairs Analyst
Journalist
Politician
Political Analyst
Lobbyist
Language Specialist
Non-Profit Program Coordinator
Special Agent

Tools & Technology
Legislative Automotive Workflow System
Microsoft Office-Outlook,
Access, Excel, Word
Ace Translator
Adobe Systems
Adobe FrameMaker
ArcSight Enterprise Threat and Risk Management
Popular Employers

U.S. Department of State  Mercy Corps
International Monetary Fund  Human Rights Campaign
USAID  Save the Children International
United Nations  Deloitte
World Bank  Sony
Organization of American States  Ikea
European Union, World Trade Organization  The Coca-Cola Company
Bread for the World  Unilever

Employers also include political campaigns, legislators, public interest advocacy groups, newspaper, international publications, radio networks, banking and financial institutions, consulting firms, financial institutions, domestic firms with operations abroad, exporters, importers, interest groups, historical preservations, international foundations, public schools, private schools, colleges, and universities.

Related Occupations

Foreign Language and Studies
Foreign Trade
Government
Politics, Public Policy, Activism

Advice from professionals is great

Make Connections.
It’s important for International Relations majors to network and build relationships when attending professional events. Professional associations allows for networking, mentoring, learning the industry trends and finding career or internship opportunities. Professional associations within the International Relations industry include:

Professional Associations

American Foreign Service Association
Council of American Ambassadors

Want more information? Go online to ONET/Occupational Outlook Handbook/U.S. News