

What you can do with a degree in

# Classics

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The following is a sample of occupational titles and work settings related to Classics.

Keep in mind that career options are not dictated solely by choice of major.

Just as there are many careers open to graduates of any major, there are many paths to careers that do not require a specific degree. Use this information as a beginning guide to exploring options.

## **Sample Job Titles:**

- Academic Librarian
- Arbitrator
- Archivist
- Bible Translator
- Cultural Resource Management Specialist
- Cultural Tour Guide
- Editor
- Ethics and Compliance Officer
- FBI Linguist

- Foreign Service Officer
- Genealogical Services Specialist
- Grants Specialist
- Historical Museum Docent, Director, Administrative Assistant
- Historical Projects Coordinator
- Historical Research Assistant

- Institutional Researcher
- Lawyer (with advanced degree)
- Lobbyist
- Medical or Legal Terminologist
- Museum Education Officer
- Open Source Officer (CIA)
- Park Ranger
- Preservation/Restoration Assistant

- Publications Researcher
- Scriptwriter/Screenwriter
- Secondary School Teacher
- Survey Researcher
- Theatrical Companies
- Translator/ Interpreter
- University Professor
- Writer

## **Possible Professional Settings:**

- Advertising Agencies
- American Schools Abroad
- Antique Dealerships
- Archives
- Art Councils
- Art Galleries
- Churches/Religiously Affiliated Groups
- Consulting Firms
- Cultural Exchange Agencies/Organizations

- Film Companies
- Government: Federal, State, City
- Historical Societies
- International Businesses/organizations
- Law Firms
- Libraries
- Magazines
- Museums
- Newspapers

- Nonprofit Organizations
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Private Foundations
- Professional Language Schools
- Public and Private Schools
- Public Research Agencies
- Publishers
- Social Service Organizations

- Technology Firms
- Translation/ Interpretation Firms
- Travel Agencies/ Companies
- Universities and Colleges
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

### **Resources:**

The following lists are samples of resources available for learning more about majors and careers.\*

#### **Websites Related to this Field**

- Classic Careers: http://apaclassics.org/index.php/education/careers for classicists
- Classics Majors Find Their Future in the Past: What can you do with a classics major?: http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/career-transitions/201003/classics-majors-find-their-future-in-the-past
- Branding and Marketing the Classics Major: <a href="http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/career-transitions/201003/branding-and-marketing-the-classics-major">http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/career-transitions/201003/branding-and-marketing-the-classics-major</a>

#### **Professional Associations - Samples**

- American Association for Applied Linguistics: <a href="http://www.aaal.org/">http://www.aaal.org/</a>
- American Classical League: <a href="http://www.aclclassics.org/">http://www.aclclassics.org/</a>
- Society for Classical Studies: http://www.apaclassics.org/
- American Philological Association: https://classicalstudies.org/american-philological-association-1
- American Translators Association: <a href="http://www.atanet.org/">http://www.atanet.org/</a>
- American Alliance of Museums: http://www.aam-us.org/
- Association of Ancient Historians: http://associationofancienthistorians.org/
- The Linguist List: <a href="http://linguistlist.org/">http://linguistlist.org/</a>
- American Hellenic Institute: http://www.ahiworld.com/

#### **General Career Information**

- Occupational Outlook Handbook: www.bls.gov/ooh
- The Occupational Information Network, (O\*Net): www.onetonline.org

#### **SPU Resources**

- Classics Department Website: <a href="http://spu.edu/catalog/undergraduate/20167/schools-college/college-of-arts-sciences-arts-humanities/languages-cultures-linguistics/classics">http://spu.edu/catalog/undergraduate/20167/schools-college/college-of-arts-sciences-arts-humanities/languages-cultures-linguistics/classics</a>
- Major & Career Exploration (GS 2001 2 credits, offered every quarter)
- Career Counseling: call 206.281.2485 or stop by the Center for Career and Calling on the second floor of the SUB
- Academic Advising: www.spu.edu/depts/sas
- Academic Catalog: <a href="https://www.spu.edu/academics.aspx">www.spu.edu/academics.aspx</a>



<sup>\*</sup> Websites are current as of July 2017. If any go inactive, please let us know.