Career Highlights and Strategies for International Studies Majors

Skills & Strengths: Below are traits and skills common to International Studies graduates, though you will almost certainly have skills not listed here

*Interact with diverse groups of people *Refine verbal/written communication
*Multiple language proficiency *Interpret and evaluate events, information and ideas
*Understand and compare diverse cultures *Identify and predict trends *Understand and evaluate complex interrelationships

Potential Employers: Just a few examples of organizations that hire International Studies graduates

*Federal Government (incl. State Dept, Immigration & Naturalization Service, and The Smithsonian Institute) *State, regional, and local governments *Media organizations
*Peace Corps *Universities (esp. Study Abroad programs)
*Elementary/Secondary schools *Consulting firms *International Nongovernmental organizations

Sample Job Titles: Some of the job titles held by International Studies graduates

*Curator *Peace Corps/VISTA Volunteer * Lawyer * Educator * Historian * Research Associate * Consultant * Public Administrator * Foreign Service Officer * Foreign Correspondent

Internships and Participatory Learning Experience: Gain real-world work experience!

*Visit the UO Career Center online for suggestions *Visit the IE3 Global Internship Program in Oregon Hall *Search for opportunities online

Professional Associations: Membership in professional associations is often less expensive for students and can give you access to current information on jobs and trends in the field. Membership can also be listed on your resume and demonstrates commitment to your discipline. Here are a few samples:


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