

CAREER PATHS



Proficiency in a second language prepares one for any number of careers, and you can find the department's alumni all over the globe in international firms, service organizations, the banking industry, classrooms, the ministry, law, medicine, museums, government agencies, and in graduate programs preparing for jobs in these and other areas. You can see the variety of positions which our graduates hold in the examples below, explore detailed profiles of department graduates, and browse the alumni updates in the most recent edition of the [Lingua Viva newsletter](#).

GOVERNMENT

Janice (German) Government and Press Relations Associate at NAFSA
(international-studies organization) Emily (German) Deputy Press
Secretary for Senator Richard Lugar (R-IN); now in graduate school Maria
(Spanish) Foreign Service Officer, U.S. State Department

BUSINESS

Kim (German) Logistics Order Administrator for German company
Siemens, in Elk Grove Village, Illinois Tina (French) Vice President
of a securities trading company; MBA from Northwestern University Lisa
(German) Works for consulting company in Germany Matt (German)
International Economist, U.S. Office of Trade and Economic Analysis,
Washington, D.C Beth (German) Administrative Assistant at a German
hydraulics company; based in Chicago, with frequent travel to Germany
Kara (German) Sales Representative for Venta Luftwascher (German
company based in Weingarten, Germany) Dawn (German) Market
Researcher for MRC, Sulzbach, Germany Meg (Spanish) Bilingual
Human Resources Specialist Elizabeth (German) In-House Translator
for "transline Deutschland" in Reutlingen, Germany Allison (French)
Lutheran Community Services Specialist, Thrivent Financial, Saint Louis

MINISTRY/SERVICE

Evan (Classics) Pastor, Grace Lutheran Church, Niagara, New York
Jenny (French) Works with Sous Espwa (Source of Hope), ministry of
Christian Reformed Church in Haiti Tezra (Spanish) Works with Nuestros
Pequeños Hermanos orphanage in Honduras Marikka (Spanish) Worker
Rights Advocate for Chicago Interfaith Committee on Worker Issues Amy
(Spanish) Deaconess, Director of Outreach Ministries, working with Hispanic
community in Pennsylvania Erica (Spanish) Peace Corps Volunteer,
Dominican Republic; then Youth Development Coordinator with a non-profit in
Milwaukee Michelle (Spanish) Volunteer with ELCA Division of Global
Mission in Argentina Dan (Spanish) Works with ELCA in El Salvador

GRADUATE STUDIES

Carrie (French) Peace Corps Volunteer, Morocco; then graduate
student in Arabic Studies, Georgetown University (Washington, D.C.)
Robb (Spanish) Pursuing Master of Public Affairs degree at Indiana
University-Bloomington Rebecca (Classics) Enrolled at Lutheran
Theological Seminary, Philadelphia Eric (Classics) Graduate School in
Ancient History, University of Cincinnati

EDUCATION

Erica (German) Associate Dean, International Programs, Lake Forest
Graduate School of Management Courtney (German) German teacher
at Hammond and Gavit High Schools, Hammond, Indiana Ryan (Classics)
High school Latin teacher, Indiana Grant (Spanish) Teacher
at Hong Kong International School Wendy (French) French teacher,
Indiana Rebecca (Spanish) Teaches English as a Second Language
to second-graders Amy (Spanish) Teaches bilingual second grade
Emily (French) Assistante d'anglais (English Teaching Assistant), French
public schools, Châlons-en-Champagne, France Paul (Classics) Ph.D. in
Comparative Literature, Purdue University; on faculty at University of Texas-Tyler
John (German) School of Language Studies, Foreign Service Institute,
State Department, Washington, D.C. *Last updated 2.19.09*

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