

Major/Minor in Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

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11 Majors in LLC

Chinese

Classics
(Classical
Studies, Greek,
Latin)

Comparative
Literature

French

German

Italian

Linguistics

Russian

Spanish

PK-12 Teacher
Certification
(French, German,
Latin, Spanish)

14 Minors in LLC

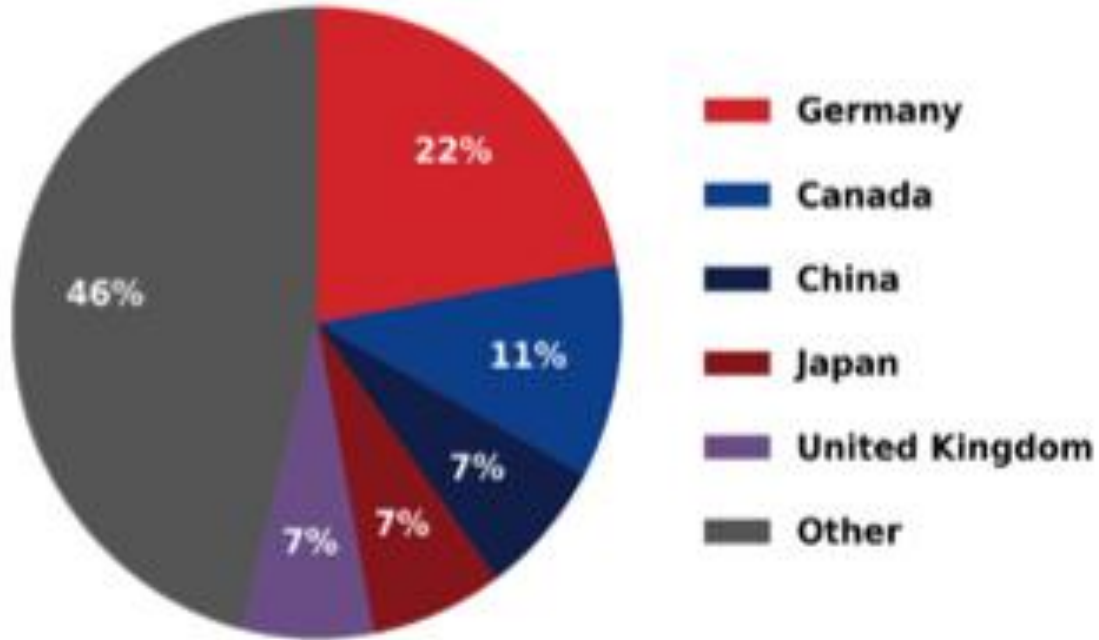


Academic Benefits



- Cool courses - Vikings, Knights, Russian Foodways, Green Technology in Germany, China's Monkey King
- Faculty-led study abroad opportunities
- Focus on global culture and opportunity to read and watch new things
- Increased academic performance
- Improves study skills and boosts confidence

Career Opportunities



Foreign Direct Investment in South Carolina US Dept of Commerce, 2025

- International scholarships and specialized exchange programs in other countries, such as ETA Fulbright.
- Employers list “knowing more than one language” among the top eight desired skills —regardless of the job title, economic sector, or candidate’s experience. (ACTFL, 2025)
- Pay bump for knowing a language.
- State’s largest export market is Germany. South Carolina exported \$5.2 billion in goods to Germany in 2025. <https://ustr.gov/map/state-benefits/sc>

Where do our majors find work?



Average 5 year Salary

\$75,367

Average Current Salary

\$87,468

Data provided by MCAS



Whole Person

- Intercultural competence
- Better working memory
- Empathy
- Stronger communication skills
- **Neuroplasticity:** The brain forms new connections and strengthens existing ones, making it more adaptable, efficient, and creative
- Improve problem-solving and decision-making
- See the world more fully
- Prevent dementia later in life



Personal Attention

- High faculty to student ratio
- Small class sizes
- Individualized attention
- Mentoring opportunities
- Career guidance
- Independent studies
- Flexible, adaptable curriculum

Interdisciplinary Synergies

Journalism

Business

HRSM

Engineering

Communications

Healthcare



USC Opportunities for Language Learners and Intercultural Competence



Language Tables at South Quad - Global Fellows Living Learning Community



Language Clubs and Multicultural Student Organizations



Study Abroad



Internships



Service-learning classes



Keep in mind . . .

Small, boutique programs = lots of individual attention

Most instructors are tenure-track faculty >> personalized mentoring

Small programs are the **strong** programs in terms of instruction and attention

Unique majors produce unique students that make them stand out

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Dear Professor Van Fleet,
I just wanted to thank you for a great semester!
I thoroughly enjoyed your class & the interesting topics & pieces of literature we discussed! I haven't taken a literature class in a long time and yours helped me remember how much I like them!
Have a great summer!!

To Dr. Ivory
Thank you so much for all your help & support this whole semester. As an international student, it wasn't always easy, but your class made me feel comfortable & truly welcomed. I've never had a professor like you, you made the material feel real & enjoyable & that meant a lot to me.
Thank you again for everything. I'll honestly remember your class.

Dr. Ducate,
Freshman year I actually wanted to take honors creative writing, but the class was full. So I was like I guess this green tech class sounds cool, it says the professor runs a trip to Germany... so I registered for it (duh) which ended up being the best decision ever. In the best way possible, you, your classes, and my semester have shaped my values, career goals, and college experience. I am so grateful to have been your