WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY GLOBAL STUDIES DEGREE?

Using the Major Sheet:

- Large headings indicate industry area and subheadings indicate employers within that area.
- Use the titles to search for careers and related careers in order to explore your options within different areas of industry. Note that some career titles have multiple names for similar positions.
- An asterisk (*) notes that additional training (certification, graduate school, high level of experience) may be needed in order to obtain this career. Make sure to thoroughly research career pathways.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

U.S. Government (DOA, EPA, DOI, Commerce)
- Population Studies Researcher
- Contract Administrator
- Legislative Liaison
- Senior Administrative Analyst

- Urban/Regional Planner
- Researcher/Statistician
- Public Information Officer
- Contract/Grants Officer

- Public Affairs Specialist
- Labor Analyst
- Compliance Specialist
- Program Evaluator

Foreign Service (Peace Corps, State Department)
- Foreign Service Officer
- Peacekeeping Specialist

- Peace Corps Volunteer
- Bicultural Program Specialist

- Customs Agent
- Translator

Public Policy: Congress/State Legislature/Local Government
- Congressional/Legislative Aide
- Legislative Research Assistant
- Media Relations Specialist

- Committee Staff Person
- Legislative Correspondent
- Political Pollster

- Press Assistant
- Campaign Staffer/Aide
- Policy Analyst

Public Policy: Public Organizations (Issue-Oriented/Non-Profit/National Associations)
- Public Opinion Interviewer
- Program Developer/Coordinator
- Fund-Raiser/Development Associate

- Government Affairs Specialist
- Membership Coordinator
- Grass Roots Organizer

- Lobbyist
- Research Technician
- Press Assistant

- Legislative Analyst

Defense/National Security/Intelligence Analysis (CDC, DOD, CIA, DIA, FBI)
- Anti-terrorism Intelligence Agent
- Intelligence Support Analyst

- CIA/DIA/FBI Special Agent
- Foreign Language Analyst

- Intelligence Officer
- Biodefense Researcher

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Global Public Health Organizations (WHO, UNICEF, USAID, UN, Red Cross)
- Int'l. Exchange Program Coordinator
- American Red Cross Program Officer

- UN Guide
- International Visitor Escort

- Social Affairs Officer
- Director

Trade and Economic Development (World Trade Organization, OAS)
- International Trade Economist

Democracy, Security and Human Rights (OAS)
- Administrative Technician

Financial Institutions (World Bank, IMF)
- Economic Affairs Officer

NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS

Environmental (Greenpeace)
- Environmental Policy Analyst
- Renewable Energy Consultant

- Environmental Lawyer
RESEARCH INSTITUTES
Think Tanks, Institutions (CFR, CSIS, Solidarity Center, CIP)
• Project Assistant   • Research Associate    • Public Policy Analyst

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
Humanitarian Aid (Amnesty, IRC, World Relief, OCHA, CRS)
• Public Policy Analyst   • Community/Field Organizer    • Membership Coordinator
• Project Assistant   • Assistant Field Rep.   • Research Associate
• Program Developer/Coordinator   • Assistant for Special Projects   • Project Assistant

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND TRADE
Banking & Finance
• Branch Manager   • Loan Representative   • Foreign Exchange Trader
• Commercial Loan Officer   • Commodities Trader   • Cost Estimator
Advertising/Marketing/PR
• Advertising Account Manager   • Public Relations Specialist   • Export Estimator
• Labor Relations Advisor   • Import/Export Traffic Manager   • Foreign Purchasing Agent
Human Resources
• EEO/Affirmative Action Officer   • Recruiter/Interviewer   • Trainer
• Labor Relations Specialist   • Staffing Specialist   • Job Developer

COMMUNICATION
Multilingual Services
• International Operator   • Interpreter   • Technical Translator
Publishing/Journalism
• Travel Book Writer/Editor   • Foreign News Correspondent   • News Analyst
Public Relations
• Publicity Publications Writer   • Communications Specialist   • Media Liaison

EDUCATION
Higher Education, Corporations, Overseas Schools
• Student Affairs Administrator   • Foreign Student Advisor   • Admissions Counselor
• Instructional Coordinator   • Int’l Exchange Program Coordinator   • Professor

Preparation for a Competitive Job Market:
• Focus on transferable skill sets as you pursue a degree in Global Studies.
• Obtain relevant internship, co-op, or volunteer experiences.
• Supplement Global Studies coursework with classes that are relevant to your career.
• Meet with a Career Specialist to explore options, make decisions, and prepare for career choices.

Additional Career Center Resources:
• Related Major Sheets (MCS, ECON, MLLI, GES, AFST): http://careers.umbc.edu/tools/major-sheets/
• Links by Major: http://careers2.umbc.edu/tools/links.php
• Vault: http://careers.umbc.edu/students/discover/explore-careers-majors/
- Click on Vault Career Insider portal link and provide UMBC user ID and password
- Select “Guides” to view relevant guides such as:
  "Vault Guide to the Top Government and Nonprofit Employers"
  "Vault Guide to the Top Government and Nonprofit Legal Employers,"
  "Vault Guide to Capitol Hill Careers"
  "Career Launcher: Education"
• Professional Associations:
The International Studies Association: http://www.isanet.org/
The World Culture Association: http://www.worldcultureassociation.com/
Center for Global Development: http://www.cgdev.org/

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