

Foreign Languages Jobs IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Sample Job Profiles

INTERNATIONAL TRADE SPECIALIST

Salary Range: \$47,682-70,023

Duty Locations: Positions available world wide

Job Summary: Located in the Department of Commerce's International Trade Administration.

Major Duties: Help open foreign markets, ensure compliance with trade laws and agreements, and lower barriers to U.S. competitiveness. Join a winning team helping U.S. industry to meet and beat foreign competition, both at home and abroad. **Foreign language ability is highly desirable.** Check out the International Trade Administration at <http://trade.gov/index.asp>.

FOREIGN SERVICE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER

Salary Range: \$47,682-70,023

Duty Locations: Positions available world wide

Job Summary: Work as a professional engineer for the **Department of State** in the Office of Foreign Buildings Operations.

Major Duties: Oversee contractor activities and construction work on properties used by the Department of State and U.S. government agencies abroad. Tasks include monitoring contractor safety and security programs, as well as the quality control/quality assurance program, inspecting construction work, evaluating proposals and approve contract submissions, administering budgets and verifying payments to contractors and preparing progress reports on construction activities. www.state.gov/employment/

Search for jobs at: usajobs.opm.gov

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A FOREIGN LANGUGAE DEGREE?

- ★ Air Safety Investigators
- ★ Border Patrol Agents
- ★ Customs Inspectors
- ★ Language Specialists
- ★ Equal Employment Opportunity Specialists
- ★ Foreign Affairs Specialists
- ★ Foreign Agriculture Affairs Specialists

Intelligence Specialists Find more: www.usajobs.gov/EI23.asp

FEDERAL EMPLOYERS CAN HELP YOU REPAY YOUR STUDENT LOANS

- ★ Agencies are authorized to help repay up to \$10,000 of a loan per year, up to \$60,000 total per employee.
- ★ An employee who receives student loan repayments must commit to remaining in the service of the federal government for at least three years.
- ★ In 2006, the federal government provided **5,755 employees with \$36 million** in loan repayment.

For more information, visit:
<http://www.opm.gov/oca/pay/studentloan>

FINANCIAL INCENTIVES

The **Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)** offers a Corporate Language Hiring Bonus Program for individuals who have exceptional language skills.

The **National Security Agency (NSA)** employees receive competitive salaries and may be eligible for signing bonuses of \$7,500.

The **Department of Defense** can offer up to \$500 per month for civilian employees (up to \$1,000 per month for military) for anyone who demonstrates proficiency in foreign languages.

FIND AND APPLY FOR FEDERAL JOBS AND INTERNSHIPS ONLINE

MakingtheDifference.org provides valuable information and resources about job and internship opportunities in the federal government. On the site you'll find more information about federal agencies, an overview of the benefits of federal service, a directory of federal internships, "hot jobs" and "cool internships," tips for finding and applying for federal jobs, and much more.

USAJobs.gov is a great place to begin your job search. It is administered by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, the federal government's human resources agency, and has a regularly updated list of federal job openings. You can also build your resume and learn about the federal jobs that best match your interests.

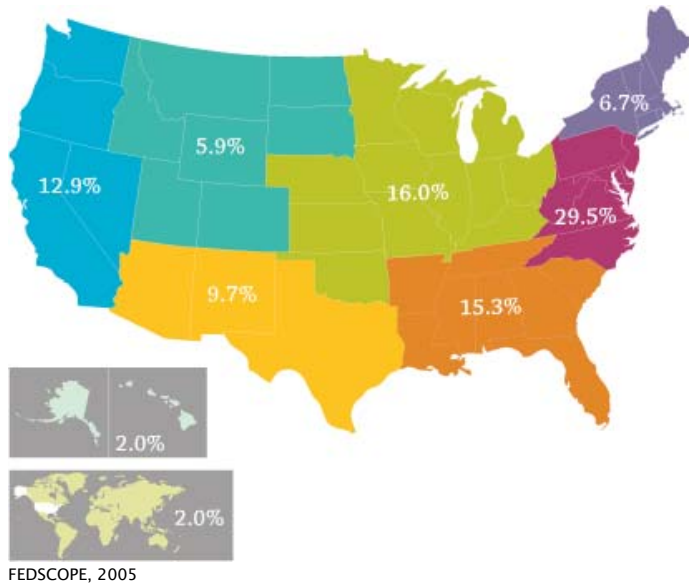


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ourpublicservice.org

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POSITIONS IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BY REGION



WHERE THE JOBS ARE

Over the next two years, our largest federal agencies project that they will hire nearly 193,000 new workers for "mission-critical" jobs.

Download the report at makingthedifference.org.

TOP AGENCIES FOR FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Field	# Positions
Department of State	Foreign Service
U.S. Agency for International Development	Civil and Foreign Service (2,425)
Intelligence Community	Regional analyst and language analyst positions
Department of Commerce	Trade Specialists (651)
Department of Justice	Bureau of Investigation, Language Specialists and Clerks (1,023 across all agencies)

Examples of Internships

The Thomas R. Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship is funded by the **Department of State** and is administered through the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WWNFF). The fellowship award includes tuition, room, board, and mandatory fees during the junior and senior years of college and during the first year of graduate study. Fellows commit to pursuing a graduate degree in international studies. Visit: http://www.woodrow.org/public-policy/description_of_service.html

The National Security Education Program provides undergraduate and graduate students with scholarships to study abroad. NSEP's Flagship Language Program focuses specifically on developing advanced language skills, and offers scholarships to people who have graduated from college, as well as to people who are currently students. Upon completion, students are required to work for the federal government for a period equal to the grant they received from the government. <http://www.iie.org/programs/nsep/default.htm>

Search for internships at:
makingthedifference.org/federalinternships

AGENCIES WHERE FOREIGN LANGUAGES HELP

Department/Agency	# Positions
Social Security Agency	Social Insurance Administration 27,026
Department of Homeland Security	Border Patrol; Immigration Investigators 11,491/5,481
Department of Justice	Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training and the International Criminal Investigative Assistance Training Program
Broadcasting Board of Governors	Including broadcasting entities like the Voice of America; Radio Free Asia; Alhura; and Cuba Radio
Department of Treasury	Office of International Affairs; Terrorism & Financial Intelligence and the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network; and Multilateral Development Banks/Specialized Development Institutions

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* Not all of these positions weight languages equally. As with other jobs, it is best to talk to hiring managers in particular offices that interest you to get a sense of their needs and priorities.