

World Languages and Cultures



The Juniata Advantage

- **Study Abroad:** Juniata has study abroad programs on every continent except Antarctica and scholarship opportunities for international study. Some students take part in international service trips during spring break. Others pursue our full major in Russian, which includes a study abroad opportunity at the University of Volgograd in Volgograd, Russia. Any student at Juniata can incorporate the study of languages and cultures into their POE. World language students are required to study abroad.
- **Intern Abroad:** Take advantage of extensive opportunities in international internships. Students have interned at international locations during the summer and throughout the academic year.
- **Make a Local Impact:** Become a part of one of Juniata's most successful outreach programs, **Language in Motion**, which incorporates international students, heritage speakers, and students studying languages to give presentations to K-12 students throughout central Pennsylvania.

Juniata's Outcomes

Our recent graduates are employed by the Institute of International Education, the French Ministry of Education, the American Council for International Education, and several private and public secondary schools. They land careers in **industry, education, government, and public interest**. Others are attending graduate school at places like Georgetown University and Rochester Institute of Technology. Several have been awarded **Fulbright Fellowships** to study or work abroad.

Our Recent Graduates

- Molly Adler '15 has been awarded a **Fulbright Fellowship** to study in Russia.
- Alyssa Fazi '13 whose POE at Juniata was biochemistry with a secondary emphasis in Spanish, is currently **enrolled in medical school** at West Virginia University.
- Sarah Lieberman '12 is **pursuing a graduate degree in international relations** at Pablo de Olavide in Seville, Spain.
- Becca McFadden '14, who studied Spanish and pre-health at Juniata, is **pursuing a graduate degree in public health**, after being inspired during study abroad in several countries.
- Joel Slaff '14 is currently **pursuing his master's degree in linguistics** in Lille, France.

"I enjoy the world languages and cultures department at Juniata because the classes are small and encourage fun and educational discussions with the professor. I'm having a great time developing my passion for German, which will help me with graduate studies."

—Erik A. Krueger '15

HISTORY AND GERMAN WITH A SECONDARY
EMPHASIS IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

A Sampling of Courses

19th-Century German Playwrights
Art and Activism in Latin America
Contemporary Hispanic Short Fiction
Dostoevsky
Early 20th-Century German Literature
East European Film
French Cinema
French-English Translation
French Images of America
German Cinema
German Literature After WWII
Short Story in Russian Literature
Sociolinguistics
Tolstoy
Women in French Culture

A World Languages and Cultures POE Story

First, choose your POE. Juniata offers POEs in **French, German, Russian, and Spanish/Hispanic cultures**. At Juniata, **learning the culture, literature, and history of countries where Chinese, French, German, Spanish, and Russian are spoken is just as important as learning the language**. So go ahead: explore the world. Studying abroad will expand your global understanding and your opportunities after college.

If you're interested in a POE outside of the world languages and cultures department, you can pursue a **secondary emphasis in Spanish**, or earn two degrees thanks to Juniata's cooperative **dual-degree programs** with partner institutions in France and Germany. **German offerings** have recently expanded at Juniata, with students enjoying internships in three German cities and taking part in an **intensive German summer program in Vienna, Austria**. Juniata also offers **K-12 teaching certification in French, German, and Spanish**. These are just a few of the reasons that Juniata's international programs have recently been honored by **NAFSA: the National Association of International Educators**.

Additionally, Juniata was recently awarded a **grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**—as part of a consortium of 10 Pennsylvania liberal arts colleges—to expand study abroad offerings as well as add language courses not previously offered, among other collaborations.

Regardless of which language(s) you study, fluency in a second language is an **immensely marketable skill** in the increasingly global economy. In other words, you'll **thrive while traveling or pursuing an international career**. But don't just take our word for it.

"Learning a second language shows that you have more than just practical skills but are also adaptable, socially aware, and willing to try new things," says Heather Wetzel '15. "When I studied abroad in Münster, Germany, I made friends from Thailand, Libya, Columbia, and Switzerland. The experience was great."



Chinese Dinner

Student Opportunities

Student Organizations: A variety of student clubs create activities and events focused on world languages and cultures. **Chinese Club, German Club, International Cooking Club, Japanese Club, and Russian Club** are a few examples of popular organizations.

Cultural Events: From **Oktoberfest**, an **international film festival**, and **guest speakers** to **Spanish Immersion Day**, Juniata's cultural programming is vast. A new addition is the **Global Village**, a group of living and learning housing options for students wishing to speak a target language in the housing unit they choose, while living with peers who are from the designated culture—the German house, or "Haus Wanderlust" is one example.

Undergraduate Research: Research as an undergraduate. Some **recent examples:** Molly Adler '15, "Olympism and Ideology: An Analysis of the Conflict Inherent in Global Sporting Events;" Erik Krueger '15, "How German Poet Wolfram Understood the East in 'Willehalm.'"

Support: The **Eagles Abroad Scholarship** enables 16 students to receive \$3,000 each toward tuition. Also included is a four-week language and cultural immersion experience, an opportunity to work with Language in Motion, and study abroad (junior year or semester). The application process is highly competitive, and the payoff is amazing. An **endowed scholarship**, named for Professor Emeritus Klaus Jaeger, has also recently been created **for students studying German**.



Faculty

At Juniata, **93 percent** of faculty hold the highest degree in their field. In the WLC department, 100 percent of faculty have earned Ph.D.s, and they serve, first and foremost, as professors. In addition to receiving many awards for their distinguished teaching, they've authored and co-authored numerous articles, led service-learning trips and hold numerous professional association affiliations. Two have participated in National Endowment for the Humanities faculty seminars. Together, the world languages and cultures faculty have taught and done research in Guatemala, Poland, Russia, Ecuador, Peru, Spain, and Germany. Each year, Juniata also hosts **visiting language instructors** who are native speakers of French, German, Russian, and Spanish.

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