



# MAP THE FUTURE MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE

A Guide For  
Optimizing Your Degree

This career map provides a general blueprint of how to navigate your under-graduate program. The map highlights quality experiences to supplement your coursework and identify academic milestones for years one through four.

Take advantage of the rich resources the university and Chattanooga community have to offer as you prepare for post-college years. During your time here, forge connections, participate in organizations and utilize exploratory learning options to gain real-world experiences outside of the classroom.

## ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Our mission is to provide an environment for intellectual curiosity and a foundation for life-long learning, thinking, reflection and growth. We do this by: equipping students with transferable skills, encouraging cultural and intellectual diversity and advancing knowledge through research and creative activities.

Small classes, careful advising and personal attention make our commitment work for students majoring in the fine arts, the humanities, the sciences and behavioral sciences, and for students preparing for professional study through a liberal education.

## MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

The mission of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures (MCLL) is to teach the languages and cultures of a variety of peoples. The study of languages helps students increase their awareness of the relationship between language and culture while enhancing their academic experience.

Our students choose a concentration from the following:

- Spanish
- French
- Latin

### Study Abroad

We currently sponsor two summer programs, the biannual French program to Paris and the annual program to Alcalá de Henares, Spain, near Madrid.

For most foreign language and international students, studying abroad is a life-changing experience and the culmination of their aspirations. While not a requirement, we encourage all our majors to study abroad at some point.

In addition to providing an incredible experience, study abroad is a great way to see the world and to gain a deeper understanding of another culture, as well as to improve language skills, especially speaking and listening. It can also be an exciting way to graduate early, to finish a double major or minor, or to graduate on-time for those who have switched majors or transferred.

[utc.edu/mcll](http://utc.edu/mcll)

## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES STUDENTS

### MCLL Scholarships

- French Major Scholarship of \$1,000
- Humanities International Studies Major Scholarship of \$1,000
- Latin Major Scholarship of \$1,000
- Humanities: Liberal Arts Major Scholarship of \$1,000
- Spanish Major Scholarship of \$1,000

### Study Abroad Scholarships

Felicia Sturzer Scholarship in French of \$1,000

Oralia Preble-Niemi Scholarship in Spanish of \$1,000-3 available

Terrell Tatum Scholarship in Spanish of \$1,000-2 available

### Scholarships with the Center for Global Education

Travel is an exciting and integral part of the UTC experience. From solo semesters in Spain to group explorations of Kenya, our students are learning all over the world.

UTC's Center for Global Education is the leading resource for international experience. They are experts in finding the locations, scholarships and programs unique to every student's needs.

Visit [utc.edu/study-abroad](http://utc.edu/study-abroad) to learn more.

## EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING FOR FOR MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES STUDENTS MAJORS

### Research

Our students gain meaningful skills and experience through a variety of research opportunities. Recent student research includes:

- Classic French comedy
- Never-before translated Latin texts on alchemical science
- French Romance Literature's influence on Medieval Norway
- How Humberto Akabal's poetry reflected Mayan identity
- A history, analysis and production of Spanish Zarzuela of the Golden Age
- Spanish anarchism in literature
- The experiences of Guatemalans in Chattanooga

### Internships

Our students recently completed internships at local organizations including:

- The Law Offices of Russell S. Mainord
- Metropolitan Ministries
- Chattanooga School of Languages

## CAREER POSSIBILITIES FOR MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES MAJORS

Are you starting college with a specific career in mind? Our graduates excel in these fields and more.

Visit University Career Services at [utc.edu/career-student-employment](http://utc.edu/career-student-employment) for a detailed list of career possibilities.

- Interpreter
- Translator
- Attorney
- Journalist
- International Relations Specialist
- Teacher or Professor
- Librarian
- Copywriter
- Court Interpreter
- Editor
- Publisher
- Careers in film and entertainment

*These options do not represent all of the occupations you might consider. Some of the options listed above might require additional training.*

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	PROF. DEVELOP.
EXPLORATION	Explore what interests you and identify your strengths with resources available through University Career Services.	Attend department functions. Talk with two faculty members about the French program and your career plans. Explore departmental scholarships and UTC Study Abroad options.	Attend department functions. Talk with two faculty members about the French program and post-graduate plans.  Apply for Study Abroad and departmental scholarships.	Attend department functions. Talk with your advisor about graduate school options. Contact graduate school prospects and employers relevant to your career path.	Use the networks you established during your undergraduate work to make connections outside of campus with individuals (including alumni), businesses and organizations.
ACADEMIC MILESTONES	Complete FREN 1010 and 1020. Create a schedule of interesting General Education courses with your advisor.	Complete FREN 2110 and 2120. Continue General Education requirements. Consider Study Abroad, upper-level courses and declare a minor.	Complete FREN 3110/3120, 3210/3220 and 3230. Take one 4000-level elective in the spring. Complete General Education requirements and begin minor. Consider a thesis for departmental honors.	Complete any remaining upper-division requirements. Take electives in the major. Complete your minor. Apply to graduate before Fall Break. Complete Senior Exit Exam and departmental honors thesis.	Be able to talk about your accomplishments during your undergraduate work—specific research or projects in which you took part or played a major role.
CONNECTIONS	Join the UTC French Club and attend other departmental events like National French Week. Meet with your advisor regularly. Check MCLL website regularly.	Attend UTC French Club and National French Week events. Get involved with other student organizations.  Regularly attend cultural events on campus.	Join Pi Delta Phi. Contact your advisor and other faculty about under-graduate student research opportunities or internships. Talk with Department Head about alumni connections.	Network your internship organization/company and identify possible job opportunities/ career paths post-graduation. Present at an undergraduate research conference.	Maximize your potential career options by attending graduate school. Your advisor can help you locate a program in areas of interest to you and get you started on applications.
READINESS	Meet with University Career Services.  Identify four skills employers want and begin cultivating them now.  Attend a part-time job fair.	Discuss internship and Study Abroad opportunities with your advisor. Prepare your résumé or curriculum vitae (CV).  Apply for Study Abroad and departmental scholarships.	Apply for internships. Refine job interview skills and update résumé or CV. Attend a graduate school fair and prepare to take the GRE.	Take the GRE (graduate school applicants). Consider applying for the Teaching Assistant Program in France.  Update your résumé or CV and prepare a professional LinkedIn profile.	
ACHIEVEMENT	Complete 30 credit hours.  Meet with your Freshman Advisor twice.  Have your second year mapped out and a general plan for years three and four.	Complete 60 credit hours.  Know your advisor well.  Have your third year mapped out and a general plan for year four.	Complete 90 credit hours.  Meet with your advisor at least three times.  Have your fourth year mapped out.	Confirm graduation requirements with your advisor early in the fall. Complete 120 credit hours. Attend commencement and prepare to join the Alumni Association.	

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EXPLORATION	Explore what interests you and identify your strengths with resources available through University Career Services.	Attend MCLL and university events.  Get to know faculty members; visit their office hours and discuss career plans.  Explore departmental scholarships.	Attend MCLL and university events. Talk with faculty members about the program and your career plans. Explore careers for students with undergraduate degrees in Latin. Consider Study Abroad programs.	Attend MCLL and university events. Talk with your professors about options after graduation. Research graduate programs, teacher placement and other career paths.	Make full use of connections that you establish at UTC to further your professional development after you graduate, including post-graduate education. These include advisors, faculty, fellow students and alumni.
ACADEMIC MILESTONES	Complete LAT 1010, 1020 and CLAS 1200. Create a schedule of interesting General Education courses with your advisor.	Complete LAT 2010 and 2020. Continue General Education requirements. Declare a minor/second major and begin coursework. Strongly consider an EDUC minor if you plan to teach secondary school.	Take 2-3 LAT courses at the 3000-level and 1-2 electives in CLAS. Continue General Education and minor/second major courses. Consider an undergraduate conference and departmental thesis.	Complete coursework for LAT, CLAS and minor/second major. Apply to graduate before Fall Break. Complete Senior Exit Exam.	Be able to talk about your accomplishments, knowledge and skills (analytical, linguistic, cultural, aesthetic) and how these would allow you to contribute to various endeavors and organizations.
CONNECTIONS	Stay connected through departmental events, guest lectures, clubs, study groups, the department calendar and the MCLL website.	Get involved with a student organization, consider joining a departmental club or honor society.	Contact your advisor and faculty about possible undergraduate student research projects. Ask your advisor about alumni connections.	Contact alumni and others suggested by your advisor. Identify possible job opportunities/career paths post-graduation.	
READINESS	Meet with University Career Services.  Identify four skills employers want and begin cultivating them now.  Attend a part-time job fair.	Discuss with your advisor undergraduate research opportunities. Begin to prepare your curriculum vitae (CV).	Refine job interview skills. Consider proposing an honors thesis. Consider attending a Graduate School Fair. Prepare to take the GRE. Update CV.	Prepare to take GRE or other pre-professional exam if you are planning to pursue post-baccalaureate education. Secure letters of recommendation.	
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ACADEMIC MILESTONES	Complete Spanish 1010, 1020 and Rhetoric & Composition I and II sequence.  Work with your advisor to determine a possible minor.	Complete SPAN 2110 and 2120 or two semesters of 3000-level Spanish courses. Continue General Education requirements.  Declare and start work on minor.  Consider Study Abroad.	Complete SPAN 3110, 3120, 3130, 3210 and one additional upper-division SPAN course. Complete General Education and minor requirements.	Complete major requirements including two 4000-level courses. Complete minor.  Apply to graduate before Fall Break.  Complete Senior Exit Exam.	Be able to talk about your accomplishments during your undergraduate work—specific research or projects in which you took part or played a major role.
CONNECTIONS	Meet regularly with your advisor.  Stay connected with the department via social media and the website.	Attend Spanish Club meetings and meet your department advisor. Get involved with HOLA and Foreign Language Week events.	Contact your advisor and faculty about possible undergraduate student research projects and senior internship opportunities. Consider joining the Spanish Honor Society.	If you have a senior internship, network with the internship organization/company and identify possible job opportunities/career paths post-graduation.	Maximize your potential career options by attending graduate school. Your advisor can help you locate a program in areas of interest to you and get you started on applications.
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