Knowledge of world languages is essential in today's global society. Through the study of world languages, you'll gain access to the cultures of foreign nations, develop a greater appreciation for cultural diversity and acquire a deeper understanding of our common humanity. Employment opportunities are excellent for students who speak and understand a language other than English in areas such as banking, journalism, international business, law, sales, marketing and management, and in social services and medical-related fields.

You have a number of options when it comes to world languages at The University of Scranton. First, you may choose to major directly in French and Francophone Cultural Studies, German Cultural Studies, Hispanic Studies or Italian. You'll learn to read, write, speak and comprehend one or more world languages and acquire knowledge of literary traditions by reading representative authors. You'll also gain insights into the culture and civilization of foreign peoples.

Second, you may opt to major in international language–business, a professionally-oriented program whose purpose is to make language study a more career-structured discipline by providing you with the opportunity to acquire a liberal arts education while, at the same time, taking courses specially relevant to business. The course work required in this major opens you to the challenges of a business environment by emphasizing the use of analytical tools in managerial decision-making. All world language and international language-business majors are urged to spend a year or a semester in a country where the language they study is spoken. In addition, both world language and international language-business majors study a second foreign language.

Third, you may choose to major in classical languages, which gives you a solid foundation in Latin and Greek and a further appreciation of the liberal arts aspects of classical studies. If you elect to major in the classics, you are encouraged to study abroad at Loyola University’s Rome Center of Liberal Arts in your junior year, an extremely popular program that will enhance your educational experience.

In addition, minors are available in Arabic, French, German, Greek, Italian, Latin, Portuguese and Spanish. You may also take courses in American Sign Language, Chinese, Japanese and Russian.

Each year, the department welcomes young teaching and graduate assistants from abroad who teach their native languages. In 2012-13, we welcomed Fulbright teaching assistants from Colombia, Japan and Tunisia. The department offers a variety of service learning opportunities, including Spanish 335, Service Learning and the Hispanic Community.

The department also sponsors faculty-led study abroad. January 2013 will mark the 15th anniversary of the intersession trip to Mexico. Summer 2012 was the fifth program to Florence, Italy. The department encourages internships in the United States or abroad, and works with students on an individual basis to arrange them.
World Languages and Cultures

Outcomes
A large percentage of Scranton world language and international language-business majors have found employment in areas directly related to their majors. These include:
- Director of Operations, New York State Senate
- Account executive for Raymond Weil Importer, New York;
- Executive for logistics and management for Dickinson Constant Company, northern France;
- Financial specialist for Putnam Investments, Boston;
- Youth coordinator at the Latin American Association in Atlanta, Ga.;
- MS Investment Management, New York;
- Spanish, Italian, French, German and Latin teachers in a variety of public and private secondary school settings;
- Human Resources for AXA in Paris, France; and
- Volunteer teacher at The Working Boys’ Center in Quito, Ecuador.

Come and See for Yourself
The best way to experience The University of Scranton is to visit. You can schedule a visit that includes a campus tour, a group information session and/or a personal appointment with an Admissions Counselor. We offer two fall Open Houses as well as tours and group sessions on weekdays and select Saturdays throughout the year. Visit opportunities for accepted students include the Royal Nights overnight programs and Preview Day for Accepted Students in the spring. Schedule a visit online at scranton.edu/visit or call us at 1-888-SCRANTON or (570) 941-6654.

Admission
Students may apply online for free using The University of Scranton’s application or the Common Application; visit scranton.edu/apply for more information. In reaching the admissions decision, the Admissions Committee will consider a number of factors: demonstrated evidence of a student’s academic ability, intellectual curiosity, strength of character and motivation, as evidenced by the student’s high school classes, cumulative GPA, class rank, SAT and/or ACT scores, extracurricular activities, personal statement and letter of recommendation. The Admissions Committee encourages students to complete a comprehensive college preparatory program in high school. For more detailed information, please refer to the online catalog at catalog.scranton.edu.

Financial Aid and Scholarships
The University of Scranton is committed to helping you finance your education. The Financial Aid Office offers a variety of programs to make your education more affordable, including grants, loans, work-study and academic scholarships. If you are interested in need-based financial aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), for which we have a preferred deadline of February 15. This form is available at fafsa.gov. All accepted students are automatically evaluated for academic scholarships based on their high school GPA, class rank and SAT/ACT scores. For more information about financial aid and scholarships, please visit scranton.edu/financialaid.

About the College of Arts and Sciences
With more than 30 undergraduate majors and five graduate programs, the College of Arts and Sciences is the largest and oldest academic division of The University of Scranton. Not only is the College the foundation for Scranton’s traditional liberal arts programs, but it also offers many programs in developing technologies. Programs are designed so that graduates can excel in their chosen careers and in pursuing further education after graduation. Students in every major at the University also look to the College of Arts and Sciences for minors, concentrations and tracks.