ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND APPLIED LINGUISTICS
Where will your postgraduate degree take you?

BELOW IS AN OVERVIEW OF THE KINDS OF EMPLOYMENT SECTORS, ORGANISATIONS AND PROFESSIONS THAT RECENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND APPLIED LINGUISTICS POSTGRADUATES HAVE ENTERED, BASED ON RESPONSES TO ‘DESTINATIONS OF LEAVERS’ SURVEYS CONDUCTED SIX MONTHS AFTER GRADUATION.

Popular employment sectors
- Advertising and market research
- Higher education
- Publishing
- Secondary education
- Social work activities
- Translation and interpretation

Range of employers
- Claritas English Tutoring
- Comtec Translations Ltd
- Hoa Sen University (Vietnam)
- Languages Centres
- Malborough School
- The China Post
- Universidad Andrés Bello (Chilean university)
- V3 Productions (narrated virtual tours)
- University of Birmingham

Typical occupations
- Director of English Studies
- English Teacher
- Film Maker
- Foreign Language Teacher
- In-House Translator
- Lecturer
- Marketing and Events Officer
- Public Service Interpreter
- Reporter
- Copywriter
- Social Media and Marketing
- Journalist

‘After completing my Undergraduate degree at the University of Birmingham, the chance to study at Postgraduate level was an amazing opportunity to delve deeper into the topics that interested me the most. The wide variety of choices offered on the MA made it difficult to choose my modules: a great predicament to be in! This range of topics helped to expand my knowledge in a number of areas I had not had the chance to research before.

Having a Masters has opened up my employment opportunities. I not only learnt valuable research skills, but also essential life-skills such as time-management and how best to prioritise tasks. I now work as an Undergraduate Administrator at the University, where I have put many of my new skills to the test. I cannot thank the department enough for the skills, enthusiasm, and self-confidence they brought out in me.’

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