

# Career Outlook: Modern Languages

## Modern Languages Programs Available at Bemidji State University:

**Major:** Spanish (B.A.)

**Minors:** Ojibwe, Spanish

**Certificate:** Ojibwe Language Instruction

**Department Website:** <http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/languages-indigenous-studies>

### **EMPLOYMENT AREAS AND PROJECTED DEMAND:**

Modern Language graduates can work in a variety of different areas including the government, education, business, public relations, and community service areas including translators. Employment of high school teachers is projected to grow 4 percent from 2018 to 2028, about as fast as the average for all occupations.

"Occupational Outlook Handbook" reports that employment for a foreign language interpreters and translators is expected to grow 19% (much faster than average) through 2028 resulting directly from the broadening of international ties and the large increases in the number of non-English speaking people in the United States. People established in their career as a translator generally earn between \$27,230 and \$90,610 per year with the median pay of \$49,930.

### **PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR MODERN LANGUAGE GRADUATES:**

Of the 3 Bemidji State University 2017-2018 Modern Language graduates holding a Spanish B.A, 66.7% reported obtaining related employment within one year of graduation. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, unavailable, or continuing their education.

### **PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU MODERN LANGUAGE GRADUATES:\* (This list only includes employment within one year of graduation for years 2015-2018)**

Allianz Life	Financial Analyst	Golden Valley, MN
CEIP Maestro Canos Sanmartin School	Language Assistant	Valencia, CA
Concordia Language Villages	Camp Counselor	Bemidji, MN
Deer River School District	5th Grade Teacher	Deer River, MN
Deer River School District	Special Education Paraprofessional	Deer River, MN
University of Winnipeg	Faculty of Education	Winnipeg, ON

### **COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE PREVIOUS BSU MODERN LANGUAGE GRADUATES HAVE GONE TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION:**

- Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN

\*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.

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**For more information, contact Career Services; Decker Hall/218-755-2038/career@bemidjistate.edu**

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