# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHTS



## **Kylie Bales**

French Major S. Department

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Being a French major opened so many doors
for me in my career. My time at SU and in
France has allowed me to have conversations
with people from various backgrounds and
read French language press to inform my
work. My experiences provided invaluable
cultural context when working with European
colleagues. In an increasingly global job
market, my French skills made me competitive
and helped me get to where I am today.

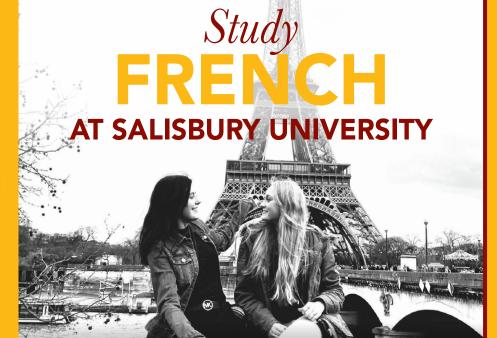
#### **Alena Jackson**

French Major Campus Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, Bloomberg L.P.

The French Program at Salisbury University opened my eyes to the world around us. I studied in Lyon, France, which helped me to become fluent and adapt to a new culture and diverse people. Since graduating from Salisbury University, I have realized how much learning to communicate in French fluently improved my English-speaking skills as well, which I use in my current job in New York City. I would not have even thought of moving away from my hometown if it weren't for studying abroad during my time at SU.



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#### Think Global? Learn French!

- French is spoken by more than 300 million people!
- It is the only language, other than English, to be taught in every country in the world.
- It is one of the official languages in 33 countries (second only to English, with 45 countries).
- French is the second most useful language in the world for business!

#### Think Local? Learn French!

• The Eastern Shore is home to nearly 20,000 immigrants from the Francophone island of Haiti. Local schools, businesses, hospitals and volunteer organizations need college graduates who have great intercultural skills and deep knowledge of Francophone cultures.

### What Makes SU's French Program Unique?

- Small classes feature individualized attention from dedicated and talented professors.
- Engaging courses (food, comic books, cinema, the Caribbean) that include service-learning and practical projects.
- Opportunities are available to speak French outside the classroom through fun activities (conversation hours, film screenings, food tastings, outreach to the local Haitian community).
- Study abroad programs available in many different Francophone countries!

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