Roshan Institute for Persian Studies at the University of Maryland aspires to be the premier center for the learning, understanding, and appreciation of Persian culture in the United States. Toward this end, the Institute seeks to provide outstanding course offerings and programs in Persian language, literature, history, and culture; to foster communication and community ties among people of Persian heritage and those interested in Persian studies; and to serve as a model for encouraging intercultural communication among peoples of varying backgrounds. In pursuit of these goals, the institute offers a major and a minor in Persian Studies.

Programs
Major
- Persian Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/persian-studies/persian-studies-major/)

Minor
- Persian Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/persian-studies/persian-studies-minor/)

Advising
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To review the academic plan for this major, go to: arhu.umd.edu/academcisadvising/academic-plans (https://arhu.umd.edu/academcisadvising/academic-plans/).

Opportunities
Undergraduate Research Experiences
The School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures has implemented an Annual SLLC Undergraduate Research Forum which allows its outstanding juniors and/or seniors to display their research projects. The forum takes place in late April in the Language House (St. Mary’s).

Internships
Each fall semester, SLLC organizes a Language Career and Internship Fair in conjunction with the UMD Career Center. For more information, see the SLLC website: sllc.umd.edu (http://sllc.umd.edu).

Scholarships and Financial Assistance
The Office of Student Financial Aid (OSFA) administers a variety of federal, state, and institutional financial assistance programs, and, in cooperation with other university offices, participates in the awarding of scholarships to deserving students. For information, visit: financialaid.umd.edu (http://financialaid.umd.edu).

Awards and Recognition
The UG Committee organizes an annual awards ceremony to celebrate SLLC students who have earned SLLC, campus and/or national scholarships, and academic achievement awards. The awards ceremony takes place in conjunction with the annual SLLC UG Research Forum.