

Pitt's Place for Politics

Opportunities with the University of Pittsburgh Department of Political Science :

- Major and Minor
- Internships
- Study Abroad
- Research with Faculty
- Career Resources and Prep
- Scholarships for Research and Study Abroad (Rathburn and Carroll awards)
- Pi Sigma Alpha national honor society
- Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Experiences

Teaching: Our department offers state-of-the-art teaching by research-active faculty members working at the cutting edge of the discipline. We offer only a few large intro classes, allowing our department to provide a great number of small class-size, topical courses where students can work closely with our faculty. That variety allows students the opportunity to either focus their study on a number of classes in the same area, or to widen their breadth of knowledge by learning about local, national, regional, world, and theoretical political phenomena.

Department of Political Science

Careers: A Political Science degree gives students the flexibility they need to compete in the diverse modern economy. Political Science prepares students to engage in government, private, and non-profit sectors with equal ease. We have majors who have gone on to work in defense intelligence, directing non-profits, campaign management, executive and legislative branch staff, and many more fields.

Our department also assists students with placement in continued post-undergraduate education, such as law schools, public policy schools, international affairs and security studies programs, and graduate work in Political Science.

Voter Behavior



A number of our courses prepare students for the wide variety careers that focus on voter behavior: from campaign management to lobbying, demographic research, and legislative/executive staffing. Our Research Methods training gives students the skills to interpret the data of voter behavior and patterns, while our Mass Politics, Media in Politics, and Electoral Behavior coursework helps students understand and capitalize on those patterns.

The Political Science degree allows students to craft their own areas of study into one cohesive degree: choosing from American Politics, Political Behavior and Methodology, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Political Theory.



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