

# POLITICAL SCIENCE



## KEY SKILLS

- Analytical
- Collaboration
- Communication (Written & Verbal)
- Contextualization
- Empathy
- Interpersonal, Teamwork
- Persuasion/Debate
- Problem-Solving
- Research



## CONCENTRATIONS/SPECIALIZATIONS

- American Politics
- Comparative Politics
- Civil Rights/Human Rights & Advocacy
- Global/World/International Politics
- Law & Organizations
- Public Policy
  - Education Policy
  - Health Policy
- Policy Development
- (Political) Psychology
- Research/Quantitative Methods
- Thought/Theory



## SAMPLE DEGREES

- International Affairs (BA, MA)
- Law (JD, LL.M., MSL)
- Legislative Affairs (BA/MA)
- Political Management (BA/MA)
- Political Science (BA, BS, BA/MA, MA, PhD)
- Political Science/Economics + Public Policy (BA/MPP)
- Political Science, Public Policy focus (BA, MPP/PhD)



## SAMPLE OCCUPATIONS

- Auditor
- Campaign Staffer
- Congressional Researcher
- Consumer Advocate
- Field Organizer
- Foreign Service Officer
- Historical Archivist
- Legal Investigator
- Lobbyist
- Market Researcher
- Media Buyer
- Policy Analyst/Advisor
- Political Consultant
- Political Correspondent
- Public Opinion Analyst
- Strategic Planning Consultant



## POSSIBLE WORK SETTINGS

- Bank
- Consulting Firm
- Federal Government
- Law Firm
- Lobbying Firm
- Local Government
- Media Outlet/Broadcasting Company
- Nonprofit Organization
- Political Campaign
- Research Organization
- Think Tank
- University/College



## SAMPLE STUDENT ORGS

- Delta Phi Epsilon (Foreign Service)
- Democracy Matters
- GW Citizen Diplomacy Initiative
- GW Gov't Affairs & Public Policy Association
- IGNITE at GW
- John Quincy Adams Society
- Joint Elections Committee



## SAMPLE EMPLOYERS

- Accenture
- American Enterprise Institute
- American Political Science Review
- Atlantic Media
- Brookings Institution
- Business Industry Political Action Committee
- CBS News
- Children's Law Center
- Central Intelligence Agency
- Congressional Budget Office
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Global Call for Climate Action
- ICI Services Corporation
- Lockheed Martin
- National Endowment for Democracy
- New America Foundation
- Partnership for a Secure America
- People for the American Way
- Pepco
- Politico
- Progress & Freedom Foundation
- Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights
- The Gallup Organization
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Urban Institute
- The World Bank
- United Nations
- US Department of Health & Human Services
- US Department of Homeland Security
- US Department of State
- US Public Interest Research Group



## PROFESSIONAL ORGS

- American Political Science Association
- Association for Political Theory
- International Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- Northeastern Political Science Association
- Southern Political Science Association
- The American Sociological Association

