

# POLITICAL SCIENCE



Political Science is the study of how societies make collective decisions through politics and government. The Political Science major provides a strong liberal arts background for students who may enter such fields as journalism, business, public administration, social welfare, teaching, and law.

Most Political Science majors who apply to law school are admitted, many of them to top-ranking institutions. Those who graduate from law school go on to work in law firms, in businesses, and in government agencies at all levels.

## Programs:

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- Major and Minor, Bachelor of Arts
- Accelerated 5-year BA/MA in Public Policy

## Skills you'll acquire:

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- Critical and analytical thinking skills
- Technical and analytical writing abilities
- Rhetorical, didactic and oratorical skills
- Making projections
- Conflict resolution skills
- Worldliness and an understanding of current events
- Conceptualizing and implementing projects
- Developing research designs and models





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**Political Science and Psychology  
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## Sample courses

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- **Global Issues in the United Nations**
- **Mass Media in American Politics**
- **Press and the Presidency**
- **Constitutional Law and Politics:  
United States**
- **American Political Ideology and  
Public Opinion**
- **Politics of Climate Change**
- **Government and Politics of the  
Middle East**

## Where Political Science graduates have worked:

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Recent alumni work in a variety of sectors,  
for companies including:

- NYC Public Advocate's Office
- Symbol Technologies
- NY Life Insurance Co.
- Stony Brook University
- Brookings Institute
- Suffolk County Department of Labor
- Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer  
Center
- Suffolk County Comptroller's Office
- Family Service League of Long Island
- Clean Water Action New Jersey
- Suffolk County Department of  
Economic, Development & Planning
- New York State Assembly

## Jobs you might pursue as a Political Science major:

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You'll gain the knowledge and skills to work  
in many different professions, including:

- Journalism
- Business
- Public administration
- Social welfare
- Teaching
- Law
- Education
- Political research at colleges and  
universities



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