

# Customize Your Degree in Working Towards Your Career

Beginning fall of 2018 political science students will be enrolled in the new program. Changes have been made in core requirements for both the BA & BS degrees, along with the Quantitative requirements in the BS are now political science classes that will help students develop skills to make them stronger candidates for employment. We are very excited about the new political science program and how it will positively affect students.

## Discipline Core Requirements:

- POLS 1100 American National Government 3.0
- POLS 2100 Introduction to International Relations 3.0
- POLS 2200 Introduction to Comparative Politics 3.0
- POLS 230G Introduction to Political Theory 3.0
- POLS 3000 Political Analysis 3.0
- POLS 4990 Senior Seminar 3.0 or POLS 480R Internship 3.0

## Complete one of the Following Emphasis

- American Government (18 credits)
- Global Politics (18 credits)
- Indian Affairs Administration (18 credits)
- Peace & Justice Studies (18 credits)
- Public Administration & Policy (18 credits)
- Public Law & Political Philosophy (18 credits)

## Summary of Graduation Requirements

120 credit hours, minimum of 40 upper division credits, minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0. Complete General Education requirements, comply with the catalog's rule on maximum number of years in the program. A minimum of 30 credits must be taken at UVU (at least 10 of which must be part of the final 45 credits earned). BA requires four semesters of one foreign language. BS requires 12 credits of quantitative credits.

## Internships

- Utah Attorney General Office • US Congressional Office
- US Senate Offices • Utah Court System
- Office of the Governor • Utah Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Federal Agencies in Washington DC • United Nations
- Democratic/Republican National Committee
- Utah State Legislature • Local Governments

# Schedule an Appointment Today with an Academic Advisor

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WHY SHOULD YOU GET A  
POLITICAL SCIENCE  
DEGREE AT  
UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY?



Utah Valley University began offering bachelor degrees in political science in 2006, in an effort to provide students with the skills that are necessary to become tomorrow's leaders, both in the public and private sectors. The Political Science Program encourages students to use political perspectives while exploring the human condition through critical evaluation, discussion, and the development of strong writing skills.



## Career Opportunities/ Customizable Degree

What type of career could you obtain with a political science degree?

- Lawyer/Paralegal
- Business Administrator
- Journalist
- Intelligence Agent
- Politician
- Education/Teacher
- Social Worker
- Parole/Probation Officer
- Public Relations Director
- Financial Planner
- Media Specialist
- Human Resources Specialist
- Human Rights Advocate
- Policy Analyst
- Political Consultant
- Historical Archivist/Researcher
- Lobbyist/Organizer
- Diplomat
- Events Planner
- City/Town Management
- Labor Relations Specialist
- Editor
- Executive Assistant
- Technical Writer
- Political Correspondent
- Consumer Advocate

Did you know that Chipotle and Pinterest were started by political science majors?

Customize Your Degree

### •Choose an Emphasis

- American Government
- Global Politics
- Indian Affairs Administration
- Peace & Justice Studies
- Public Administration & Policy
- Public Law & Political Philosophy

### •Choose Either a Research Project or an Internship

- POLS 4990 Senior Seminar (3 credits)
- POLS 480R Internship (3 credits)

## Opportunities for Educational Enrichment

A Political Science Degree provides you with opportunities outside the classroom that will help enrich your educational experience. You can participate in polling, surveys, archival research, civic innovation, clubs, and internships. These opportunities will help you in developing skills and building relationships that will assist you in achieving your career goals.



## Student Engagement Opportunities :

*UN Model Conference*  
*Women of the Mountains*  
*conference*  
*Utah International Mountain*  
*Forum*

## Preparation for Graduate or Law School

Political Science's "Broad Discipline" helps prepare you for graduate or law school

Political Science enjoys a central position among the social sciences. Aristotle characterized politics as the "queen of the sciences." It is a broad discipline that encompasses philosophical, historical and analytical studies of governments, politics, and policies. Utilizing a broad spectrum of studies, you will learn the concepts, theories and methods associated with the discipline, along with the analytical, verbal, research, and writing skills required to continue on to graduate or law school.



Skills You'll Develop

- Oral and written communication
- Decision - making
- Problem - solving
- Analytical thinking
- Research skills
- Leadership abilities
- Computer literacy
- Ability to collaborate
- Work well under pressure