



POLITICAL SCIENCE

The BA in Political Science at Drexel University combines rigorous methods training with issue-specific courses in which students apply their methodological training to real-world problems. While all students will have the opportunity to specialize their plan of study, the core of our program is a sequence of three courses in research design and methodology.

All students also have the opportunity to specialize their coursework by following one of the informal “tracks” of study detailed below. These three tracks reflect our research and teaching strengths, and are designed to prepare students for a variety of career paths.

AMERICAN POLITICS & POLICY (APP): American Politics and Policy considers the relationships between public opinion, legislative representation, and policy-making in democratic entities. This track includes courses on American political processes (such as public opinion, state and local politics, political parties), specific areas of public policy (such as immigration policy or urban public policy), and theory courses dealing with democratic theory, representation, and participation.

INTERNATIONAL POLITICS (IP): International Politics incorporates both the traditional comparative and international relations subfields, as well as comparative theory courses. This track includes courses that explore the politics of marginalized people, social movements, interstate war, intrastate civil war, the politics of specific countries or regions (i.e., contemporary China, the European Union), international organizations, and comparative public policy.

LAW & POLITICS (LP): The Law and Politics track looks at the relationships between judicial institutions and other political and social actors, both nationally and internationally. The LP track is most appropriate for students considering law school, and for those whose research interests include judicial politics, as well as students who seek careers in civil society organizations.

Students wanting specific information about the major are encouraged to stop by the department office in 3250-60 Chestnut Street, Room 3025, call 215.895.2463, or visit drexel.edu/politics.

JOB TITLES

Law Co-op
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 Programs Assistant
 Public Policy Researcher

Paralegal Assistant
 Research Assistant
 Administrative Paralegal Co-op

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 Drexel Students Include:**

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & INTERNET RESOURCES

American Political Science Association
apsanet.org

Society of American Archivists
archivists.org

Idealist
idealist.org

Policy Jobs
policyjobs.net

Northeastern Political Science Association
northeasternpsa.com

Federal Employment Website
usajobs.gov

CAREER RESOURCES

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