UTSC Political Science

Career & Employment

Undergraduate studies in Political Science, Public Policy and Public Law can lead to a variety of career pathways upon graduation.

Students entering their 4th year of studies that are looking to enter the workforce within such areas of interest should start researching potential opportunities in the Summer session prior to their last year of studies.

Government

The federal, provincial and municipal government.

Elections Canada
Ontario Public Services
Service Ontario
Passport Canada
Federal Public Service
Public Health Agency of Canada
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council
Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Cancer Care Ontario
Ontario Energy Board
Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion
Municipal Government
Political Operations
Institutions created help politicians, lawmakers, policy-implementers to operate tasks.

City Councillor Offices
Constituency Office
Parliamentary Offices
The Office of the Mayor
Cabinet Office (central agency)
Treasury Board (central agency)
Line Departments Senate Offices
Central Campaign Headquarters

Think Tanks
Policy institutes, research institutes are organizations or groups involved in research and advocacy in a range of fields including social policy, political strategy, economics, technology, industry, business and national defense.

Social Research and Demonstration
Corporation Pembina Institute Samara
The Wellesley Institute
The Mowat Centre for Policy Innovation
The Conference Board of Canada
Vanier Institute on the Family Asia Pacific
Foundation of Canada Public Policy Forum
The Fraser Institute
C.D. Howe Institute
Calendon Institute on Social Policy
Canada West Foundation
Institute for Research on Public Policy (IRPP)
Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives
Institute on Governance
Canadian Council on Social Development
National Citizens Coalition
Canadian Institute of International Affairs
The Canadian Labour and Business Centre

Industry Lobbying Advocacy
Groups that aims to influence decisions within political, economic, and social institutions

CARP
Ontario Coalition Against Poverty
Canadian Health Coalition
Canadian Wildlife Federation
Focus on the Family Canada
REAL Women of Canada
GE
TD Bank
Petro Canada
David Suzuki Foundation
Council of Ontario Universities
Private Sector & Law

The private sector is the part of the economy that is run by individuals and companies for profit and is not state controlled. Therefore, it encompasses all for-profit businesses that are not owned or operated by the government.

Law—This industry comprises offices of legal practitioners known as lawyers or attorneys (i.e., counselors-at-law) primarily engaged in the practice of law.

Visa Immigration Lawyer Scarborough
Scarborough Community Legal Services
CCLA (Canadian Civil Liberties Association)
Legal Aid Ontario
Deloitte
KPMG
Ernst & Young
McKinsey & Company
Boston Consulting Group
Odgers Berndston
SEG Management Consultants
Kaiser Associates
IBM Canada
Strategy Corp
Navigto
Stratcom
The Gandalf Group
Sutherland & Associates
Sussex Strategy Groups

Non-Profit

Organizations that operate independently of any government, typically one whose purpose is to address a social or political issue.

YMCA
World Wildlife Fund
War Child Canada
John Howard Society
Plan Canada
Save the Children
Action Canada for Population and Development
Street Kids International
World Vision
Goodwill
Habitat for Humanity
Engineers without Borders
St. John's Ambulance
CUSO-VSO
Greenpeace
Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women
Ontario Trillium Foundation
Canadian Council for Refugees
Aboriginal Health Organization
Canadian Red Cross
Examples of Positions by Levels

Entry Level
- Communications Assistant
- Legislative Assistant
- Research Assistant
- Research Intern

Intermediate
- Media Analyst
- Junior Researcher
- Legal Aid
- Legal Secretary
- Legal Assistant
- Political Aid
- Junior Policy Analyst
- Policy Advisor
- Press Secretary

Advanced
- Executive Assistant
- Campaign Manager
- Lawyer
- Business Partner

Graduate School
Undergraduate studies in Political Science, Public Policy and Public Law can lead to a variety of academic pathways upon graduation.

Students entering their 4th year of studies that are looking to advance their studies may consider graduate school studies.

Political Science

GOVERNMENT & COMPARATIVE POLITICS
- Political Science MA University of Northern British Columbia
- Political Science MA University of Ottawa
- Political Science MA Acadia University
- Political Studies University of Manitoba
- Political Studies University of Saskatchewan
- Political Science MA University of Alberta
- Political Science MA University of Calgary
- Political Science MA University of Waterloo
- Political Science MA University of Windsor
- Political Science MA University of McMaster
- Political Science MA McGill University
- Political Science MA University of Toronto
- Political Science MA Western University
- Political Science MA York University
- Political Science MA Brock University
- Political Science MA Concordia University
- Political Science MA Simon Fraser University
- Political Studies MA Queen’s University
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

- International Relations Studies University of Northern British Columbia
- MA in Human Security and Peacebuilding Royal Roads University
- International Trade MA University of Saskatchewan
- Military and Strategic Studies MSS University of Calgary
- Conflict Studies Saint Paul University
- Internetworking MA University of Alberta
- MA in Disaster and Emergency Management Royal Roads University
- Norman Paterson School of International Affairs
- Munk School of Global Affairs
- Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
- Balsillie School of International Affairs
- International Affairs at University of British Columbia
- International Affairs MA Queen's University
- McGill University MA in international affairs
- Universite Laval International Affairs MA
- Dalhousie University International Affairs MA
- University of Calgary International Affairs MA

POLITICAL THEORY

- Political Theory MA University of Toronto
- Social Political Thought MA York University
- Public Ethics MA Saint Paul University
- Political Theory York University MA
- Political Theory MA University of Western Ontario
- Political Theory MA Trent University
- Political Theory MA Carleton University
- Theory, Culture and Politics Trent University
Public Law

- University of Alberta Faculty of Law
- Allard School of Law
- University of British Columbia
- Bora Laskin Faculty of Law,
- Lakehead University
- University of Calgary
- Faculty of Law Dalhousie
- University Schullich School of Law
- University of Manitoba Faculty of Law
- McGill University Faculty of Law Faculté de droit de l'Université McGill
- University of New Brunswick
- Faculty of Law Osgoode Hall Law School, York University
- University of Ottawa Faculty of Law Université d'Ottawa Faculté de droit
- Queen's University Faculty of Law
- Ryerson University Faculty of Law
- University of Saskatchewan College of Law
- Thompson Rivers University Faculty of Law
- University of Toronto Faculty of Law
- University of Victoria
- Faculty of Law Western University
- University of Windsor Faculty of Law

Resources

For more information on career and graduate school paths with a degree in political science, visit AA&CC at UTSC

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