# What can I do with this major: Political Science

Political Science is the study of the use of public power and authority. Politics and government affect life and impinge on many fields.

Introductory courses are offered for those interested in learning about the American Government and different political systems.. In-depth courses are offered for Political Science majors. The major is especially desirable for students who might work for the government, be commissioned as military officers, or intend to become lawyers. A minor in Political Science is useful in economics, journalism, and language, or for those who hope to become executives in law enforcement or in many types of businesses.

## **Degrees and Certificates offered at AVC**

- Law, Public Policy and Society AAT (transferable)
- Political Science AAT (transferable)

## **Work Industries and Employers**

- National, state and local government
- International Agencies
- Law Firms
- Universities and Colleges
- Consulting Firms

- Newspapers/Media
- Private Firms/Business
- Lobbying Firms
- Research Organizations
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Special Interest Groups

## Possible Job/Career Titles

### Bachelor Degree:

- Administrator
- Budget Analyst
- Campaign Aide
- Elected Official
- Foreign Service Officer
- Foreign Trade Specialist
- Government Worker
- Legislative Aide
- Lobbyist

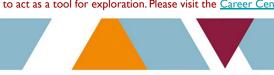
- Occupational Analyst
- Personnel Manager
- Public Information Officer
- Public Opinion Surveyor
- Public Relations Specialist

#### Advanced Degree:

- Attorney
- Political Economist
- Political Scientist
- Professor

The information reflected is intended to act as a tool for exploration. Please visit the <u>Career Center</u> for more specific information on majors and careers







## Next Steps...

### **Connect with Professional Associations**

Associations are a group of people who come together for a common purpose. You can find helpful information about jobs and careers.

- American Association of Political Consultants
- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- International Association of Political Consultants (IAPC)
- Southern Political Science Association

## **Develop your Skills and Experience**

- ♦ AVC "Law Scholars" Program
- Jobs and Internships (<u>College Central Network</u>)
- The United States Intelligence Community Undergraduate
  Training Assistance Program
- American Political Science Association (APSA) Internship Resources

### Find CSU/UC Major Preparation (BA/BS)

- CSU Northridge: Political Science B.A. (with option in Politics and Government
- CSU Northridge: Political Science B.A. (with option in Law and Society)
- CSU Los Angeles: Political Science B.A. (with Prelegal Option)
- CSU Channel Islands: Political Science B.A.
- UC Santa Barbara: Political Science B.A.
- ... and more! <a href="https://www.transferbound.com/">https://www.transferbound.com/</a>

### **View Additional Information**

- Occupational Outlook Handbook
- Candid Career Videos
- Assist: Student Transfer Information System
- ONET OnLine: Job and Career Exploration
- Linkedin Alumni Tool
- Transfer Schools

