



Adding Value to Your Team

A political science education provides students with the conceptual foundations of political theory and an understanding of concepts of power and the state, civil society, development, justice and governance issues. Our program ensures that students acquire both a domestic and international breadth of knowledge and develop their ability to critically analyze political phenomena. Students expand their awareness of global contexts and can choose to specialize their study in specific areas of the world, while acquiring strong analytic and communication skills demonstrated through research papers, policy memos, case briefs and simulated negotiations.

University of Guelph Advantage

Guelph's Political Science program provides an excellent preparation for a management career in government, non-profit organizations and business, and provides students with a concentrated academic foundation. Prior to their first work term, students have studied Canadian government and politics, research methods, and have completed electives from amongst comparative politics, international politics, law, public administration, gender and politics, international development, and political philosophy.

At the University of Guelph, the Political Science program has a broad focus, with students applying theory to multiple areas including:

- Political thought
- Canadian politics
- Public policy, governance and law
- Comparative politics
- International relations and global studies

Our co-op process responds to your needs. Employers can post, hire and interview throughout the semester and our students are available for 4 or 8-month work terms. The Experience Guelph hiring tool makes hiring Guelph co-op students easy!

Student Strengths

- Excellent critical thinking and analytical skills, developed as students complete extensive research projects, draft policies and debate issues
- Strong leadership and communication skills, developed through education and work experiences
- A comprehensive understanding of politics and governance as it applies to a variety of domestic and international contexts

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Political Science Course Sequencing

YEAR	FALL (SEPT-DEC)	WINTER (JAN-APRIL)	SUMMER (MAY-AUG)
ONE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNDERSTANDING POLITICS • 4 ELECTIVES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 ELECTIVES 	OFF
TWO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INTRODUCTION TO CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION - <u>MUST BE TAKEN IN THE FALL</u> • FALL OR WINTER: CANADIAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS • POLITICAL INQUIRY AND RESEARCH METHODS • <u>ONE OF:</u> KEY CONCEPTS IN POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY OR POLITICAL THEORY • <u>ONE OF:</u> THE DEVELOPMENT LANDSCAPE: ACTORS AND INSTITUTIONS OR COMPARATIVE POLITICS OR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS • <u>ONE OF:</u> GENDER AND POLITICS OR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE OR LAW FROM A POLITICAL SCIENCE PERSPECTIVE OR PUBLIC POLICY • 5 GENERAL ELECTIVES 		WORK TERM ONE
THREE	WORK TERM TWO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QUANTITATIVE METHODS OF DATA ANALYSIS • 3 POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES • 1 ELECTIVE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES • 3 GENERAL ELECTIVES
FOUR	<u>OPTION A</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES AT THE 4000 LEVEL • 3 POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES • 4 ELECTIVES 	WORK TERM THREE	OFF
FIVE	<u>OPTION B</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES AT THE 4000 LEVEL • 2 POLITICAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES • 4 GENERAL ELECTIVES 		

BASED ON THE 2021/22 UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR

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