

POLITICAL SCIENCE, B.A.

ADVISING AND CAREERS

ADVISING

The Department of Political Science has academic advisors who are available to meet with you to offer guidance on:

- Course selection
- Program planning
- Internship opportunities
- Study abroad programs
- Scholarship opportunities
- Student research interests
- Transfer and study abroad credits

Information about scheduling appointments can be found [here \(https://polisci.wisc.edu/advising-and-major-information/#advising\)](https://polisci.wisc.edu/advising-and-major-information/#advising). **Please note that no advising appointments are scheduled via email.**

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Political science majors who wish to enroll in the following course(s) must obtain prior consent/authorization:

- Directed Study
- Thesis
- Proseminars (varies by specific course; check footnotes in the class schedule)
- Specific Topic
- Other advanced-level coursework with consent of the instructor in lieu of other required courses

Information and course descriptions are posted on the department website prior to each enrollment period. POLI SCI 315 Legislative Internship is available by application only. Specific deadlines will be announced each semester. Students with a classification making them ineligible for certain courses due to retroactive or AP credits may see the instructor for possible permission to enroll on a space available basis. Students who wish to enroll in a course that is closed may use the online wait list available through the Student Center in MyUW. The number of credits for variable credit courses is determined by course format and contact periods for a specific semester as noted in the class schedule. For graduate programs, see the Graduate section of this Guide.

CAREER ADVISING

L&S CAREER RESOURCES

Every L&S major opens a world of possibilities. SuccessWorks (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/>) at the College of Letters & Science helps students turn the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and other coursework into fulfilling lives after graduation, whether that means jobs, public service, graduate school or other career pursuits.

In addition to providing basic support like resume reviews and interview practice, SuccessWorks offers ways to explore interests and build career

skills from their very first semester/term at UW all the way through graduation and beyond.

Students can explore careers in one-on-one advising, try out different career paths, complete internships, prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications, and connect with supportive alumni and even employers in the fields that inspire them.

- SuccessWorks (<https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/>)
- Set up a career advising appointment (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/>)
- Enroll in a Career Course (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/career-courses/>) - a great idea for first- and second-year students:
 - INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit)
 - INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Comm B General Education Requirement)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/>)
 - INTER-LS 260 Internship in the Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Activate your Handshake account (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/handshake/>) to apply for jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers recruiting UW-Madison students
- Learn about the impact SuccessWorks has on students' lives (<https://successworks.wisc.edu/about/mission/>)