YOU WILL LEARN

The political, economic, and social issues that shape modern US and international politics. Why policies are (or are not) created. How to better advocate for your community. Information literacy and how to counter political misinformation.

WHAT IS NEXT

Work in fields like: Law, Public Policy, Foreign Service

Enter professional school, such as: Law School, Graduate School, Business School in Political Science, Policy, Public Administration, International Affairs.

FIRST YEAR

- **Your Courses**
  - Broaden your knowledge base with Gen Eds. Cover the basics of US politics in POLS 1113 and global politics with POLS 2013 or 2113.

- **Your Experience**
  - Stay engaged with current events and political developments by attending department lectures, conferences, or workshops.

- **Your Community**
  - Join SGA or CAS Student Council, Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, or a campus advocacy group. Attend department talks and discussions.

- **Your Career Readiness**
  - Talk to your academic advisor to learn about degree options and minors that best prepare you for your chosen career path.

SECOND YEAR

- **Your Courses**
  - Learn research literacy in POLS 2213. Continue Gen Eds while beginning more advanced coursework in US or global politics.

- **Your Experience**
  - Seek out information about Study Abroad, internships, Wentz research scholars, leadership training workshops, or other scholarly opportunities.

- **Your Community**
  - Connect with Career Services, department faculty, and Alumni who can help you identify internship and mentoring opportunities to build your resume.

- **Your Career Readiness**
  - Participate in research projects with faculty members. Get involved with grassroots organizing by volunteering for a campaign.

THIRD YEAR

- **Your Courses**
  - Explore the data science side of political science with POLS 3103 while continuing to explore electives in topics that most interest you.

- **Your Experience**
  - Study abroad and/or work in a local, national, or international internship that supports your future career path.

- **Your Community**
  - Run for a leadership position in a student organization. Volunteer on a campaign or for a local nonprofit. Join Pi Sigma Alpha.

- **Your Career Readiness**
  - Prepare for the GRE or LSAT. Apply for a Wentz Research Award, Truman, or Udall Scholarship.

FOURTH YEAR+

- **Your Courses**
  - Engage in advanced thinking and problem-solving with the POLS 4903 thesis while finishing electives or working internships.

- **Your Experience**
  - Present at the annual OSU Undergraduate Research Symposium. Participate in local and national leadership training programs.

- **Your Community**
  - Continue with on- and off-campus leadership, volunteer work, and internships. Meet with faculty about letters of recommendation.

- **Your Career Readiness**
  - Participate in resume or interview workshops, present at a professional research conference, or apply to graduate or law school.

Your Personalized Path

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