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## What Can I Do With a Major In Political Science?

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# Where Do Political Science Majors Work & Study?

## Now – Within 6 Months of Graduation

**Alliance to Save Energy**  
Policy Research Intern

**American University**  
JD Law

**Atlantic Council**  
Program Assistant

**Booz Allen Hamilton**  
Associate

**Boston Consulting Group**  
Research Associate

**College of Williams & Mary**  
JD Law

**Connecticut Veterans Legal Center**  
Director of Development

**CUNY Baruch College**  
MPA Public Administration

**Department of Justice**  
Paralegal

**Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation**  
Development Coordinator

**Epic Systems**  
Quality Assurance

**Executive Chamber of the New York State Governor**  
Special Assistant

**Fidelity Investments**  
Asset Management Audit Analyst

**Fulbright Commission**  
Teaching Assistant

**Greenberg Quinlan Rosner**  
Research Data Associate

**Gerson Lehrman Group**  
Research Associate, Corporate Markets

**Maastricht University**  
MS European Studies

**Millbrook School**  
History Teacher and Assistant  
Hockey Coach

**National Women's Health Network**  
Health Policy Intern

**NBC Sports Group**  
Researcher

**New York State Assembly**  
Communications Assistant

**New York State Democratic Party**  
Organizer

**Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP**  
Corporate Paralegal

**Providence City Council**  
Policy Analyst

**Spectrum Youth and Family Services**  
Development Associate

**StolenYouth**  
Project Coordinator

**SUNY Buffalo**  
JD Law

**The Campaign Workshop**  
Account Assistant

**United States Air Force**  
Second Lieutenant

**United States Senate**  
Staff Assistant

**University of Chicago**  
JD Law

**Up Mountain Switchel LLC**  
Demo and Events Coordinator

**Ward Circle Strategies**  
Associate

**Weil, Gotschal and Manges**  
Paralegal

**When People Work**  
Assistant Project Manager

**Wiley Rein LLP**  
Project Assistant

If You Like These Outcomes, Consider These Career Communities:

Social Impact & Education

Government & Law

# Later – Up to 25 Years After Graduation

**ACLU**

State Advocacy Strategist

**Amazon**

Corporate Communications  
Manager

**American Cancer Society**

Senior Director for Patient and  
Family Services

**Barclays Capital**

Managing Director, Head of  
Institutional Team

**Biogen**

Director, Public Policy &  
Government Affairs

**Boston University**

MS Broadcast Journalism

**Button Communications**

Speechwriter/Communications  
Consulting

**C. Cairns Consulting Services**

Expert in Product Safety and  
Sustainability

**Cabot Creamery**

Director of Marketing

**Carter Conboy**

Attorney/Shareholder

**Case Western Reserve University**

JD Law

**Clean Air Advocates**

Principal/Founder

**Clinton Global Initiative**

Head of Commitments, CGI U

**Columbia University**

MBA Business Administration

**Cornell University**

JD Law

**Dade County of Florida**

Assistant State  
Attorney/Prosecutor

**Deloitte**

Social Media Campaign Strategist

**Essence**

Global SVP, Content & Innovation

**FBI**

Special Agent

**Hartman-Cox Architects**

Architect

**IBM**

Human Resources Manager

**J. P. Morgan & Co Inc.**

Executive Director - Global Head  
of Facilitation, Leadership Edge

**Johns Hopkins University**

MHS Health Economics

**Mount Sinai Health System**

Executive Director, Leadership  
and Annual Programs

**NYS Bar Association**

PR Director

**New York Times Company**

Director of Video Operations

**NPR**

Senior Supervising  
Producer/Editor

**Paramount Pictures**

Deputy General Counsel

**PayPal**

VP BSA/AML Compliance

**San Francisco's City Attorney  
Office**

Deputy City Attorney

**Syracuse University**

MS Media Management

**Time Warner Foundation Inc.**

Senior Counsel Intellectual  
Property

**The Legal Aid Society**

Staff Attorney

**Thompson Publishing Group**

VP Marketing

**United Nations Relief and Works  
Agency**

Washington Representative  
Officer

**United States Senate**

Counsel

**United Talent Agency/The  
Agency Group**

Sr. VP/Agent

**University of Maryland Center for  
Health and Homeland Security**

Senior Law and Policy Analyst

**US Department of State**

Diplomat - Director of  
Management Training, Foreign  
Services Institute

**US House of Representatives**

Budget Analyst

**US Navy**

Intelligence Officer

**Utrecht University**

MA Criminology

**Vanderbilt University**

MBA Finance

**Villanova University**

JD Law

**Virgin Pulse**

Strategic Sales Director

**WNET New York Public Media**

Production Executive,  
Programming

# Internships Completed by Political Science Majors

Bergmann Zwerdling Direct  
Center for Experimental Social Sciences  
City of Saratoga Springs  
Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee  
EMILY's List  
European Parliament  
Food & Water Watch  
JP Morgan  
Kickstarter

Massachusetts Immigrant & Refugee Advocacy  
Coalition  
Massachusetts State Senate  
National Basketball Association  
New York State Assembly  
The Office of Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand  
United National Association of Greater Boston  
UPD Consulting

## In Their Own Words:

Do it. Careers, as with all aspects of life, are a long-term roller coaster - you do something, you decide what you like and don't like, and then you refine from there. Public policy is a competitive field, so you'll want some internship experience under your belt before you graduate.

So get out there and start experimenting. By the time you decide on a dream job, you'll be ready for retirement, so just experience as much as you can until something clicks. In particular for federal policy (as opposed to state/local, and as opposed to politics), you'll almost certainly need a graduate degree. I recommend working for two-four years, grad school, and then you'll be on solid footing.

**Ryan Greer, 2008**

Believe in the Skidmore community and the liberal arts. Skidmore equipped me with the fundamental tools to navigate the tech industry and post-grad world—my political science major, in particular, which taught me how to be agile in approach and dynamic in application.

Most importantly, make sure to thank the people who helped you get to where you are and help others get to where they'd like to be.

**Emma Marshall, 2016**