

# DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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The Department of Political Science is a part of the College of Liberal Arts at Texas State. As a liberal arts discipline, the department is dedicated to promoting student learning about fundamental theory and key concepts relevant to political science and public administration and encouraging student learning relative to the development of strong analytical skills, effective oral and written communication skills, and rigorous critical thinking skills. Throughout the course of their study, students are invited to reflect not simply on their career goals but also on what type of persons they want to become, and on their rights and duties as citizens.

We are the academic home for about 800 undergraduate majors and minors and 380 graduate students. We also offer graduate certificates. We house the Center for Research, Public Policy, and Training (CRPPT) and the *Armed Forces and Society Journal*.

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- Political Science (<http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/graduate/liberal-arts/political-science/minor>)

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