

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Understand Power, Governance and Political Ideas

Discover What Drives People and Nations

Political Science explores the many faces of power in society, investigates big political ideas and visions, world-transforming movements inspired by political ideals, the daily lives of political organizations, as well as the inner mechanisms of governments.

In the study of Political Science, we recognize many of today's most urgent and complex public challenges require new forms of ethical leadership that combine social justice and inclusive decision-making.

Where Curiosity Leads, Passion Follows

Your first year is all about exploration and discovery.

With minimal required courses, you have the flexibility to personalize your academic path and discover what truly excites you. Dive into a wide range of subjects, try something completely new, and shape your schedule to reflect your unique interests.

Customize your Degree

Combine modules like specializations, majors, and minors to build a path that matches your passions and goals.

Political Science

Legend: ● Honours Specialization ◆ Specialization ▲ Major ■ Minor

Course Examples

POLISCI 2231: International Relations

POLISCI 3395: Human Rights, Artificial Intelligence and Cybersecurity

POLISCI 3397: Contemporary Challenges to Democracy

The Huron Advantage

With our small class sizes and dedicated faculty, we challenge our students to be **Leaders with Heart** by prioritizing ethical leadership, community engagement, and professional success. Our programs encourage civic responsibility, and compassion, inspiring students to make a positive impact in the world.

Guaranteed Internship Opportunities

At Huron, opportunity isn't just something you wait for, it's something you prepare for and pursue, with support. Every student is guaranteed a paid internship opportunity and volunteer positions by working with their career coach for 1:1 support to develop a personalized 4-year plan. Whether you're looking for a meaningful internship, community engagement, or a post-graduation launchpad, our Careers & Experiences team is here to help you explore, apply, and succeed.

Learn more about Careers & Experiences at huronu.ca.

Where Political Science Can Take You

Among Canada's most visible Leaders with Heart, including Members of Parliament, are graduates from Huron's Political Science department who are found across a range of sectors and platforms.

What Do Our Grads Do?

- Policy Advisor or Public Servant
- Politician, Political Staff, or Political Consultant
- Market Analyst, Foreign Service Officer, or Diplomat
- Economic Development Officer
- Professor or Lawyer
- Market Research Analyst
- Journalist or Media Relations
- Community Development and Urban Planning
- Advocacy and Lobbyist
- Graduate Studies

"Political Science was the most natural extension of my love of real stories. The subject matter leapt off the page at me, in bright, bold colours. It's a living entity, as it constantly changes and evolves, and the program at Huron provides you with a solid foundation to recognize the intricate patterns that form and inform one another."

ADRIENNE ARSENAULT '90

Major in Political Science Senior Correspondent, CBC Television Toronto, Ontario



Beyond the Classroom

Learning at Huron doesn't stop at the classroom door. Our students expand their knowledge through real-world experiences that connect theory to practice, deepen cultural understanding, and build the skills needed to thrive in any career path. From the first day of classes, Political Science students are invited to participate in the research process and explore learning opportunities beyond the classroom.



CAREER INTERNSHIPS

Get paid part-time experience during the school year or full-time in summer. These roles align with your interests and help build your resume with real-world value.

ACADEMIC INTERNSHIPS

Earn while you learn. Take 4-16 months off between Year 3 and Year 4 for a full-time, for-credit, paid internship. Many students receive job offers after completion.



RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

Work with a Huron faculty member for support on a student research fellowship with funding up to \$1,500 or a paid research assistant opportunity.



Get support to ideate, plan, and launch a new business. You'll get 1:1 coaching, access to funding, and other resources to set you up for success.



The Political Science Department leads a field-study course to Rwanda, taking 15-20 students for a firsthand exploration of the politics of genocide and the process of reconciliation. Conducting original political research, students meet with a range of non-governmental and governmental organizations and travel to various sites of memorialization.

Political Science students are also encouraged to participate in one of the many international exchanges offered at Huron, including the world-renowned Sciences Po Lille (France), Yokohama City University (Japan), University of Orebro (Sweden), Yonsei University (Korea), and Bath Spa University (UK).



