Huntingdon College’s Political Science Program provides a critical perspective on political cultures and institutions in order to prepare students for responsibly leading a diverse world. As a student in the political science program, you will be challenged to study how cultures around the developed world have settled conflicts through politics. Students in this program receive excellent preparation for further study in graduate or law school and most graduates have entered the professions of law and public service.

**Major:** Political Science  
**Minor:** Political Science

A political science minor requires completion of 18 credit hours. The political science major requires completion of 39 credit hours from courses in history and political science. As a major you must complete 12 credit hours of electives and the following courses:

- American Government  
- American Policy System  
- Comparative Government  
- International Relations  
- Presidency and Congress  
- Voters, Parties & Elections  
- Political Theory & Constitutional Law  
- Senior Capstone

The major requirements and course descriptions are outlined in the Huntingdon College Catalog.

**What makes the Political Science Program at Huntingdon College unique?**

The Huntingdon Political Science course content actively compares U.S. politics and policies with other developed nations. Our program is focused on developing students into active readers and participants. All classes are seminars that include student presentations and research. Huntingdon offers individual advising and enjoys an active e-mail community.

The program is centered on an active web site showcasing both course materials and co-curricular notes such as guest speakers, field trips and alumni careers. See www.Political-Science.org.

Our graduates have a strong record of entry into graduate and professional schools. Co-curricular programs include taking students regularly to World Affairs Council and conferences, and providing guest analysis of politics for television stations. We have taken students for seminars in Oxford University and the House of Commons.

**Political Science Alumni**

Most recent political science grads have entered law or graduate schools:

- J.D.—Florida State Univ., Cumberland Law School of Samford Univ., Tulane Univ., Univ. of Alabama
- Ph.D.—Nonprofit Management, Case Western Reserve Univ.; International Relations, Univ. of California San Diego
- Ed.D.—History, Vanderbilt Univ.
- M.A.—History, Georgia Southern Univ.; International Relations, Monterey Institute; History, Univ. of Alabama; Historical Preservation, Georgia State Univ.
- M.P.A.—Auburn University Montgomery, Troy Univ. Montgomery
- M.B.A.—Boston Univ., Univ. of Florida
- M.S.W.—Tulane Univ.
- M.I.R.—International Relations, Auburn Univ. Montgomery

**Political Science Internships**

Many internships are available in politics, government and law, taking advantage of our location in the state capital. Most students participate, and find that Huntingdon students are in high demand. A graded internship is available, known as fieldwork. Internships may also be quite well-paid, for example the Capitol Internship with the Alabama Governor, Attorney General or Speaker.

**Political Science Careers**

Political science is the single most common major field of law school applicants across the U.S. Political science lends itself to many careers in law, politics, government, the non-profit sector, diplomacy, the military, and international relations. It is a strong career field with a growing job market. The major gives broad training for all kinds of management in government or in business.

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