

Political Science

[At UW-Eau Claire]

Are you interested in domestic or international political issues, such as healthcare, justice, security, peace, minority rights, privacy or the environment? If you want to explore these issues and prepare for a lifetime of civic engagement, then political science may be the major for you.

Tell me more

Political science includes the study of individual and group political behavior, governing institutions and public policy. It uses a variety of qualitative and quantitative methods to study issues at the local, national and global levels. Few aspects of life are unaffected by politics; therefore, political science is an effective means for a broad preparation for life.

Experience off campus and across continents

An advanced internship program offers numerous opportunities for on-the-job experience in an executive or legislative office, a nongovernmental agency, an Eau Claire city or county office, a political campaign for President, Congress, City Council, or with interest groups — while earning up to six credits. Students can also participate in an active, on-campus Model United Nations Club and they can earn credits toward their major or minor in one of the 13 countries through our study abroad program.

Research

Faculty-student collaborative research work in political science has recently explored such topics

as the Muslim Americans Public Opinion after 9/11 and the Impact of Late Night Comedy on Public Opinion. The strong education and

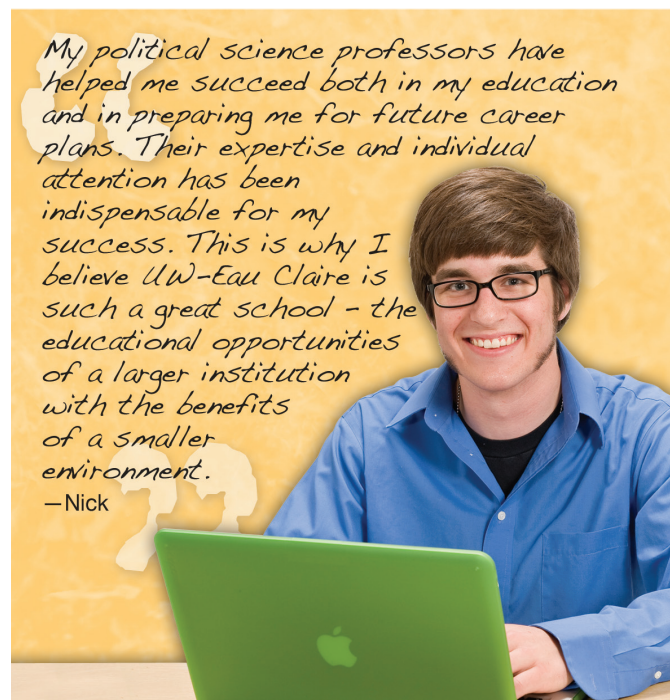
valuable out of classroom experience have produced four Fulbright award winners from the Political Science department.



Innovative classes

The University is a member of the Inter-University consortium for Political and Social Research, which gives the department access to a range of survey and census data. Students in public opinion and voting classes gain valuable experience as they analyze some of this data in computer labs. We offer the advantage of small classes and personal attention where one-on-one discussions are vital to learning.

To learn more about the Eau Claire Advantage go to www.uwec.edu/advantage



My political science professors have helped me succeed both in my education and in preparing me for future career plans. Their expertise and individual attention has been indispensable for my success. This is why I believe UW-Eau Claire is such a great school - the educational opportunities of a larger institution with the benefits of a smaller environment.

— Nick

[our graduates]

Typical positions held by political science graduates include political lobbyist, legislative aide, public sector administrator, campaign manager/consultant, and secondary teacher or college professor.

Places our grads go:

- *Analyst*, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, D.C.
- *Senior Counsel*, Target Corporation, Minneapolis, MN
- *Attorney*, Thomas M. Canan, Attorney at Law, Minneapolis, MN
- *Account Executive*, Edelman Public Relations Worldwide, Washington D.C.

[Majors]

Political Science - liberal arts
Political Science - teaching

Comprehensive Major*

(requires no minor)

Legal Studies
World Political

*Students interested in pre-law should consider the legal studies track while students concerned with foreign cultures and world politics should opt for the world studies track.

Pre-Law Program

(see separate Fact Sheet)

[Minors]

Political Science - liberal arts
Political Science - teaching

[Suggested freshman curriculum]

American National Politics
Intro to College Writing
Intro to World Politics
Natural science general education course
Physical education/wellness
Social science general education elective
Math competency
Humanities general education course
Communications general education elective

for more information

For more information about the political science program:

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For more information about campus:

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note:

Did you know?

We send a high percentage of our graduates to law school and graduate programs. Many graduates earn law degrees at UW-Madison, the University of Minnesota, Harvard, Yale and other prestigious universities.

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