

# DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

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The Department of Political Science offers graduate study leading to the degrees of the Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Arts. The Doctor of Philosophy degree is appropriate for those who wish to pursue careers as research scholars in institutions of higher education. The Master of Arts curriculum is appropriate as preparation for more advanced work in political science.

## Sub-fields in the Department

Students typically choose a Major from among the following sub-fields: American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Theory, Public Policy/Public Administration. Students also choose a Minor from among the previously listed fields, plus Methods or Race, Ethnic, and Gender Politics.

There are several organized research programs within the department that encourage collaboration and dialogue across these sub-fields.

## Faculty

Betz, Timm, Assistant Professor  
Political Science  
PHD, University of Michigan, 2015

Bond, Jon R, Professor  
Political Science  
PHD, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1978

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Political Science  
PHD, University of Chicago, 1994

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Political Science  
PHD, Texas A&M University, 2012

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Political Science  
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Political Science  
PHD, University of Pittsburgh, 2014

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Political Science  
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Political Science  
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Political Science  
PHD, The University of Arizona, 2000

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Political Science  
PHD, University of Georgia, 2008

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Political Science  
PHD, University of California at Davis, 2006

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Political Science  
PHD, Ohio State University, 1977

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Political Science  
PHD, University of Kentucky, 1993

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Political Science  
PHD, University of Utah, 2022

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Political Science  
PHD, Northwestern University, 1977

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Political Science  
PHD, Duke University, 2015

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Political Science  
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Political Science  
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Political Science  
PHD, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, 1996

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Political Science  
PHD, Texas A&M University, 2005

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Political Science  
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Political Science  
PHD, University of Houston, 2003

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Political Science  
PHD, Vanderbilt University, 1999

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Political Science  
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Political Science  
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Political Science  
JD, Harvard Law School, 2009  
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Political Science  
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Political Science  
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Political Science  
PHD, Rice University, 1990

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Political Science  
PHD, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2006

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Political Science  
PHD, Princeton University, 2003

Whitten, Guy D, Professor  
Political Science  
PHD, University of Rochester, 1994

Wood, Billy D, Professor  
Political Science  
PHD, University of Houston, 1987

## Masters

- Master of Arts in Political Science (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/government-public-service/political-science/political-science-ma/>)

## Doctoral

- Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/graduate/colleges-schools-interdisciplinary/government-public-service/political-science/political-science-phd/>)