Few majors have a true linear trajectory to a specific career path. A Political Science degree can prepare you for a variety of career paths including Business, Government, Nonprofit, Education, and Law. A graduate degree will further prepare a Political Science student for more specialized careers.

**Related Career Fields**

**Business**
- Management Analyst
- Budget Examiner
- Archivist
- Entrepreneur
- Information Manager
- Corporate Executive

**Law and Politics**
- Lobbying
- Litigation
- Campaign Strategies
- Research
- Public Affairs
- Think Tanks

**Education**
- Teaching
- Research
- Administration
- Student Affairs
- Non-classroom Education

**Non-Profit**
- Development and Outreach
- Activism/Organizing
- International Development
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Freelance Political Writer

**Government**
- FBI
- CIA
- State Department
- Dept of Homeland Security
- Department Of Labor
- Military
- Department Of Justice

**Subtopics and Related Disciplines**
- International Relations
- Comparative Politics
- Public Policy/Administration
- Sociology
- Law
- Ethnic/International Studies
- Philosophy
- Economics

**Additional Career Path Exploration Resources:**
- O*Net Online: [http://www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)
- Bureau of Labor Statistics

**What are Utah Political Science alumni doing with their majors?**

There are 3667 U of U alumni on LinkedIn who studied Political Science. Here is a snapshot of the top 10 professions reported.

![Graph showing the top 10 professions reported for Political Science alumni]

**Select Professional & Student Organizations**
- Political Science Student Advisory Committee
- Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society
- American Political Science Association

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EXCLUSIVE STUDENT RESOURCES

Services are FREE for current U of U students up to one year after graduation. Graduates from more than a year ago are eligible for services with an Alumni Association membership.

- **Choosing a Career/Career Development** – Visit our website (http://careers.utah.edu) and the Career Exploration Center (350 SSB) for information on careers/internships, job market trends, salary information, and “What can I do with this major?”

- **Career counseling/guidance** available including resume review, interview techniques, networking resources, and salary negotiation – see Find Your Counselor on our website or call 801/581-6186. Walk-in counselors are also available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10am-3pm.

- **Finding a part-time job, internship or career position** – easy online access to local, national, and government job postings, as well as volunteer, military and non-profit opportunities on UCareerLink.

- **Resume writing help & samples** – resume/cover letter writing instructions, examples and career counselor to proof and suggest updates your resume.

- **Interviewing techniques** – library and web resources, workshops and practice interviews through UCareerLink or by appointment with counselor.

- **Career Services Internship Program** – obtain local or national internship opportunities to gain practical experience in your field of study for which you may receive University of Utah upper-division academic credit.

- **Finding employers and employer contacts** – mentor and company contacts directory in UCareerLink and access to national software tools CareerShift. Assistance with creating a profile and utilizing LinkedIn.

- **Career Fairs, Student Job & Internship fairs** – Fall and Spring, see website for dates.

- **On-campus interviewing and information sessions** – employers come to Career Services on campus to meet with students. Sign-up through UCareerLink.

- **Getting into graduate school** – annual fall Graduate School Fair, workshops, and other resources including navigating the application process and assistance with personal statements.

- **Career Pathways** – join young alumni and professionals to explore and network around a targeted career field. Each event includes a panel discussion with professionals, followed by an opportunity for students to meet and learn more about the variety of careers from industry professionals.