

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.

**General Career Information for Political Science majors:**  
[U of U Career Services](#)  
[Who Hires U of U Grads](#)  
[What can I do with this major](#)

**Related Career Fields**

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

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

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

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

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

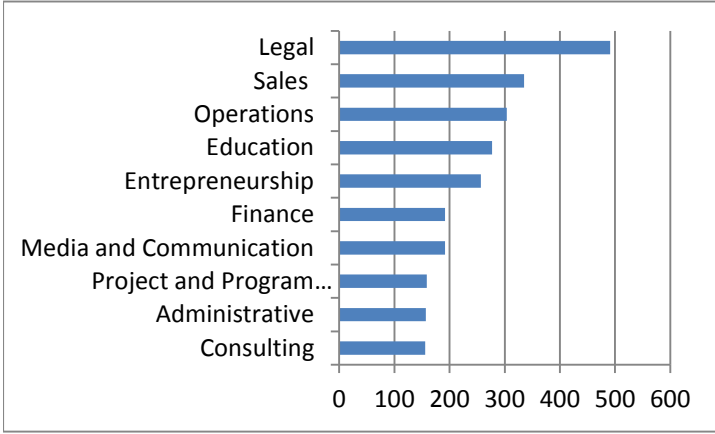
**Law and Politics**  
 Lobbying  
 Litigation  
 Campaign Strategies  
 Research  
 Public Affairs  
 Think Tanks

**Additional Career Path Exploration Resources:**  
 O\*Net Online:  
<http://www.onetonline.org>  
 Bureau of Labor Statistics  
 Occupational Outlook Handbook:  
<http://www.bls.gov>

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

**Select Professional & Student Organizations**

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



[Political Science Student Advisory Committee](#)  
[Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society](#)  
[American Political Science Association](#)

# 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.