Political Science Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree
- Pre-law Option
- Public Affairs and Administration Option
- Traditional Major
Political Science is the study of governments, public policies, and political behavior. Both humanistic perspectives and systematic, scientific skills are used to examine government and politics in the United States and all countries and regions of the world.

Why Political Science?
Major in Political Science if you are interested in:
- Weapons of Mass Destruction
- Same Sex Marriage
- The Right to Life, The Right to Choice
- International Organization Internships
- Civil Liberties Under The Patriot Act
- State or Local Politics
- Privatization of Social Security

Comments from graduating seniors
- A well-rounded major taught by intelligent, personable professors
- What I have learned is so valuable to me that I share it with everyone I love.
- It has prepared me for graduate school in several fields – law, economics, and management (public and private sectors).

We’re known for:
- Political internships in local, state and national government
- Personalized advising and career counseling
- Day and evening classes (you can complete the traditional major entirely in the evening)
- Service Learning and civic engagement
- Personalized assessment and skill development
- Model United Nation’s Programs attends national conferences and organizes local simulations and events
- Campus forums on major political issues
- East Bay Politica, student-edited journal
- Active clubs and strong student community (MUNIPOSC)
- Gala end-of-year parties for majors

Areas of Specialization
- American Politics
- American Public Law
- American Public Policy and Administration
- Comparative Government and Politics
- International Relations
- Political Theory

Political Science students look at a myriad of topics, such as Weapons of Mass Destruction, Globalization, and Social Security Reform in the U.S.

Scholarships
Department of Political Science students frequently win three types of internships:
- Washington Center Internships
- Panetta Congressional Internships
- California State Internships in the governor’s office, legislature and courts
- McNair Scholars Program

Recent scholarship recipients
- Panetta Congressional Internship
  - Noel Perez-Sanchez, 2008
  - Brandon Soublet, 2007
  - Meriam Reynosa, 2006
  - Brady Calma, 2005

- J. Malcolm Smith Scholarships
  - Iowa Robinson - Overcoming Hardship
  - Brandon Soublet - Academic Excellence
  - Lili Mendoza - Community Service

Faculty
Professors
- David Baggins, Ph.D., Syracuse University, 1984
  - American Public Law

- Norman Bowen, Ph.D., State University of New York, 1978,
  - International Relations and Comparative Politics (specialty: Western Europe)

- Michael Good, Ph.D., Miami University of Ohio, 1975
  - Political Theory and American Politics

- Kim Geron, Ph.D., University of California, Riverside, 1998
  - American Public Administration and Public Policy (specialties: Asian-American and Latino-American politics, labor and immigration policy)

Assistant Professor
- Maria Ortuoste, Ph.D., Arizona State University, 2008,
  - International Relations and Comparative Politics
  - (specialties: international security and organizations, Asia-Pacific)

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Students in the Senior Seminar

Career in Political Science

- Attorney
- Campaign Aide/Manager
- Civil Servant
- College/University Professor
- Diplomat
- FBI/CIA Agent
- Foreign Service Officer
- International Civil Servant
- International Relations Specialist
- Journalist
- Labor Organizer/Union Representative
- Law Clerk
- Legal Assistant
- Legislative Advocate/Lobbyist
- Legislative Aide
- Non-profit Activist or Administrator
- Paralegal
- Police Officer
- Politician
- Polling Specialist
- Policy Analyst
- Public Administrator
- Public Information Officer
- Research Specialist
- Secret Service Agent
- Teacher

Academic Excellence
Flexible, Year-Round Learning
Students Come First

Students in Senior Seminar

Listening to a student presentation.

Why Cal State University, East Bay (CSUEB)?

CSUEB, with two beautiful campuses - in Hayward, and in Concord - plus a professional development center in the heart of Oakland, is fast becoming a regional university of choice.

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