



POLITICAL SCIENCE

FROM NEIGHBORHOODS TO NATIONS, POLITICAL SCIENCE PROVIDES AN IDEAL BACKGROUND FOR STUDENTS WHO INTEND TO PURSUE A VARIETY OF FIELDS, INCLUDING LAW, POLICY ANALYSIS, GOVERNMENT SERVICE, AND ELECTIVE OFFICE.

Politics affect the quality of air that we breathe, the schools we can attend, the jobs we perform, the communities we live in, and the taxes that we pay. You can play a role in the decisions that impact every aspect of our lives.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study governing systems, political development, and political theory while obtaining your **BA or BS in Political Science**. Throughout this program, you will not only learn about politics and government, but also gain valuable analytical, communication, and research skills.

POLITICS AND POLICIES

Experience the field firsthand when you work in our on-campus Center for Polling and Policy Research. There, you'll get involved with political campaigns by assisting legislators in the collecting data and helping to gauge public opinion.



SPEND A SEMESTER ON CAPITOL HILL

As the only private college in the state to partner with **The Washington Center**, you'll have the opportunity to spend a semester in our nation's capital, developing a deeper understanding of politics, economics, and social justice in a national and global context.





“ From day one at Florida Southern, my mentor Dr. Bruce Anderson pushed me to engage with the political process. My classes were very hands-on and grounded in the real world, and I had several opportunities to work behind the scenes at a state and national level.”

– **Gage Nicholas, '13,**
Data Director, Republican Party of Florida

INFORMED & ENGAGED

Our program is designed to develop your understanding of human affairs in the political system by mastering concepts surrounding the various aspects of government and policy.



BECOME AN EXPERT — Every year, a number of our majors present original research projects at regional and national conferences, including the Southern Political Science Association, the Florida Political Science Association, and the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics.



INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH — This program goes beyond strictly politics, by combining history, communications, and philosophy. You'll graduate with a well-rounded education — armed with the skills to succeed.



STRONG ALUMNI NETWORK — The proof of our success is in our alumni who have gone off to achieve spectacular things. You'll find our graduates pursuing advanced degrees or holding positions in Office of the Governor, the Republican Party of Florida, serving in the U.S. Army, or working with nonprofit organizations like the American Cancer Society.



PRE-LAW AND LEGAL STUDIES

Open to majors of all disciplines, our pre-law program provides exceptional preparation for students wishing to apply to law school. When you participate, you will complete the pre-law minor which includes the study of the U.S. judicial system, logic, and oral presentation; conduct multiple internships at local law firms, and the public defender's and state's attorney's offices; and prepare for the LSAT. Along the way, you will be mentored by a local practitioner.