POLITICAL SCIENCE

The study of political science widens cultural perspectives by providing insight into political institutions and behavior. Students of political science develop an understanding of the responsibilities of intelligent citizenship. Carthage’s political science major provides a foundation for graduate study in political science or, with other social science courses, preparation for careers in government service, law, teaching, journalism or research analysis.

SKILLS

- Analytical thinking
- Conducting research
- Writing
- Clearly explaining ideas to others
- Developing ideas
- Computer skills
- Effective oral communication
- Organize/interpret data
- Decision-making
- Ability to develop & market ideas
- Problem-solving
- Understanding of community needs
- Gathering information
- Computer literacy
- Cultural sensitivity
- Logical thinking
- Relationship building

CAREER PATHS

Please note that this list includes careers requiring differing degrees of education and training.

- Budget Analyst
- Campaign Manager
- Corrections Officer
- Elections Analyst
- Legislator
- Surveyor
- Political Consultant
- Political Survey Analyst
- Political Researcher
- Policy Analyst
- Community Relations Coordinator
- Political Advisor
- Congressional Aide
- Foreign Service Officer
- Professor
- Attorney
- Legislative Aide
- Public Administrator
- Labor Relations Specialist
- Journalist
- Legal Assistant
STARTING SALARY RANGES

Legislators

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COMPANIES EMPLOYING CARTHAGE GRADUATES

- Accenture
- Keating and Shur
- Aspen Systems
- Shop-N-Save
- Sam’s Club
- U.S. Congress
- Methodist Medical

MAJOR JOB SEARCH ENGINES

- Carthage Career Connection
- American Political Science Organization
- Go Government
- International Association for Political Science Students
- Law School Admission Council
- National Association of Schools of Public Affairs & Administration
- Public Service Careers
- America Jobs
- Idealist
- Lobbying Jobs
- Opportunities in Public Affairs
- USA Jobs

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