# Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

**The University of Texas at El Paso**

## Career Possibilities

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Freshman</th>
<th>Sophomore</th>
<th>Junior</th>
<th>Senior</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Review core and other requirements in undergraduate catalog. <a href="http://catalog.utep.edu">http://catalog.utep.edu</a></td>
<td>These classes will be helpful in considering this major POLS2310 or POLS2311</td>
<td>POLS3500 is a required course and must be taken.</td>
<td>Complete your major requirements and any minor or additional courses. Remember you must have 24 hours at the 3000/4000 level.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meet with your Freshman Advisor in the University Advising Center before registration. <a href="http://academics.utep.edu/advisingcenter">http://academics.utep.edu/advisingcenter</a></td>
<td>Continue to meet with your advisor at the Academic Advising Center. Participate in activities that enable you to meet with faculty and staff from your major.</td>
<td>Meet with your Junior Advisor in the Political Science Department.</td>
<td>Meet with your Senior Advisor in the Political Science Department. Review your graduation audit with the Graduation Director/Coordinator.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Begin working with a faculty member on research projects and other major activities as a University Scholar assistant.</td>
<td>Explore ways to get involved in the community through the Center for Civic Engagement. <a href="http://www.utep.edu/cee">www.utep.edu/cee</a>.</td>
<td>Find an internship that can satisfy course requirements and provides future employment opportunities and references.</td>
<td>Visit our internship programs at: <a href="http://www.utep.edu/careers">www.utep.edu/careers</a>. Use connections made during your internship for job leads.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Build relationships in your Freshman Learning Community.</td>
<td>Join a study group or tutorial session.</td>
<td>Consider joining the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Honor Society and/or the Global Relations Organization.</td>
<td>Experience real-life teamwork through volunteering in the community.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Consider participating for a semester or a year abroad in a student exchange program.</td>
<td>Take advantage of a Study Abroad course during Maymester or Summer term. <a href="http://www.utep.edu/studyabroad">www.utep.edu/studyabroad</a></td>
<td>Be on the lookout for events sponsored by the Office of International Programs. <a href="http://www.utep.edu/oip">www.utep.edu/oip</a></td>
<td>Consider attending lectures and films offering global perspectives. Consider opportunities for getting out of your “comfort zone”.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Take advantage of the College of Liberal Arts lectures and other events.</td>
<td>Visit the University Career Center. <a href="http://www.utep.edu/careers">www.utep.edu/careers</a></td>
<td>Think about graduate or professional study. Review Graduate School offerings. <a href="http://graduate.utep.edu/">http://graduate.utep.edu/</a></td>
<td>If considering graduate or professional study, take the appropriate examinations.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**
- Public Policy, Research, Regional Planning, City or Town Management, Peace Corps, Intelligence Service, Foreign Service, Political Affairs, Economic Affairs, Administrative Affairs, Consular Services, US International, Communication Agency

**LAW**
- Lawyer, Legal Assistant, Paralegal

**POLITICS**
- Staff of State or National Official, Campaign Worker, Political Party Advocate, Public Interest Representative

**BUSINESS**
- International, National, Marketing/Sales, Human Resources, Advertising, Public Relations, Banking/Finance, Retail

**BROADCAST/JOURNALISM**
- News Programming, Production, Journalism, Editing, Reporting, Research, Sales

**NONPROFIT**
- Administration, Public Relations, Development Officer

**EDUCATION**
- High School Teacher

---

**College of Liberal Arts | Department of Political Science | Benedict Hall, Room 111 | 915-747-5227 | pols@utep.edu**
DEPARTMENT OF
POLITICAL SCIENCE
Benedict Hall
Room 111
The University of Texas at El Paso
El Paso, TX 79968
(915) 747-5227
pols@utep.edu

Department Chair
DR. CHARLES BOEHMER
crboehmer@utep.edu

TOP 10 SKILLS
employers look for:
• Ability to verbally communicate with persons inside and outside the organization
• Ability to work in a team structure
• Ability to make decisions and solve problems
• Ability to plan, organize and prioritize work
• Ability to obtain and process information
• Ability to analyze quantitative data
• Technical knowledge related to the job
• Proficiency with computer software programs
• Ability to create and/or edit written reports
• Ability to sell or influence others

NOTES:
©2015 National Association of Colleges and Employers

CHECKLIST
FOR SUCCESS:
☐ Create a Job Mine account.
☐ Check in with your advisor.
☐ Review your degree plan to stay on track.
☐ Attend a financial literacy workshop.
☐ Visit the Student Engagement & Leadership Center (SELC).

www.utsystem.edu/seekUT