



MAJOR MAP

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO



CAREER POSSIBILITIES

FRESHMAN

SOPHOMORE

JUNIOR

SENIOR

TAKE THE RIGHT CLASSES

Review core and other requirements in undergraduate catalog. <http://catalog.utep.edu>

These classes will be helpful in considering this major POLS2310 or POLS2311

POLS3500 is a required course and must be taken.

Complete your major requirements and any minor or additional courses. Remember you must have 24 hours at the 3000/4000 level.

TALK TO YOUR ADVISOR

Meet with your Freshman Advisor in the University Advising Center before registration. <http://academics.utep.edu/advisingcenter>

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.

Meet with your Junior Advisor in the Political Science Department.

Meet with your Senior Advisor in the Political Science Department. Review your graduation audit with the Graduation Director/Coordinator.

YOUR MAJOR IN ACTION

Begin working with a faculty member on research projects and other major activities as a University Scholar assistant.

Explore ways to get involved in the community through the Center for Civic Engagement. www.utep.edu/cce.

Find an internship that can satisfy course requirements and provides future employment opportunities and references.

Visit our internship programs at: www.utep.edu/careers. Use connections made during your internship for job leads.

GET INVOLVED

Build relationships in your Freshman Learning Community.

Join a study group or tutorial session.

Consider joining the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Honor Society and/or the Global Relations Organization.

Experience real-life teamwork through volunteering in the community.

THINK GLOBALLY

Consider participating for a semester or a year abroad in a student exchange program.

Take advantage of a Study Abroad course during Maymester or Summer term. www.utep.edu/studyabroad

Be on the lookout for events sponsored by the Office of International Programs. www.utep.edu/oip

Consider attending lectures and films offering global perspectives.

Consider opportunities for getting out of your "comfort zone".

PREPARE FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

Take advantage of the College of Liberal Arts lectures and other events.

Visit the University Career Center. www.utep.edu/careers

Think about graduate or professional study. Review Graduate School offerings. <http://graduate.utep.edu/>

If considering graduate or professional study, take the appropriate examinations.

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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



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PREPARE FOR CAREER SUCCESS

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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

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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).
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