

GOVERNMENT

The government department at Lawrence will help you develop a clear understanding of political values, behavior, institutions, processes, and policies, as well as theories and modes of analysis central to the study of politics.

The government department responds to our intensely political age by addressing the intellectual challenges these times pose.

Students receive an introduction to the analysis of contemporary political systems, primarily through an examination of the theory and practice of U.S. government. Advanced courses in American politics, comparative politics, constitutional law, international politics, political theory, public policy, environmental politics, and women and politics are enhanced by the opportunity for you to work one-on-one with faculty members in tutorials and independent studies.

You can work closely with professors who are recognized national authorities in such fields as American political parties and elections, Chinese politics, public policy, political authority, and refugees and immigration. Students also have access to an outstanding array of visiting scholars.

CURRICULUM – *The Government Major*

At the introductory level, you will take *Introduction to Political Science*, which is designed to develop an informed understanding of politics and government today. Above this level, you will choose a minimum of nine advanced courses in government, including one in each of the major subfields of political science: American politics,

international relations, comparative politics, and political theory.

The Government Minor

A minor in government requires the introductory course *Introduction to Political Science*. Beyond that you will be able to choose five courses covering a wide range of areas – American politics, comparative politics, international relations, and political thought.

Tutorials and independent studies options offered by the department allow you to decide on an area of study not represented in the regular curriculum. Independent study projects may lead to honors at graduation. From time to time, professors in the department involve students in their research. Listed below are some of the recent tutorial and independent study projects:

Civil Rights and Affirmative Action
NATO in the Post-Cold War World
Presidential War Power
The Role of the UN Secretary General
in the Post-Cold World War
Self-Interest and Altruism
Politics of Protest in China
The Role of the UNHCR in the
Rwandan Refugee Crisis
Structural Realism and Alliance
Management: The U.S.-Japan
Alliance

INTERDISCIPLINARY AREAS

Interdisciplinary areas bring together professors and students from different departments to examine broad issues of common interest.

In International Studies, you will join with people from the departments of government, anthropology, history, economics, and foreign languages to investigate the dynamic relationship among different cultures and nations around the world.

Students interested in environmental issues are encouraged to minor in the subject or pursue the policy track in the major. The major and minor in Environmental Studies are designed to give you a greater understanding of the interplay between the natural and the social sciences. All students may take public policy, environmental politics, and global environmental politics.

AFTER LAWRENCE

Over half of Lawrence government majors pursue graduate work in political science, law, business, or another field. Recently, Lawrence government majors have been accepted to Ph.D. programs in political science, international relations or public policy at the University of California-Los Angeles, the University of Chicago, Columbia University, Duke University, Johns Hopkins University, University of Michigan, Northwestern University, University of Rochester, University of

Washington, University of Wisconsin, and Washington University.

Others have gone to law school at the University of Chicago, Columbia University, Cornell University, Duke University, Harvard University, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, New York University, Northwestern University, Stanford University, the University of Texas, the University of Wisconsin and Washington University.

Still others have gone to business school at the University of Chicago, Harvard University, the University of Michigan, Northwestern University, Wharton University, and the University of Wisconsin.

Many former government majors have distinguished themselves in public service (e.g., the U.S. Congress; the National Security Council; the departments of Defense, Justice, and State; the State Government of Wisconsin, etc.); in teaching (Dickinson College, University of Florida, Harvard University, University of Michigan, University of New Mexico, University of Rochester, Whitman College, SUNY - Stony Brook, Ohio State University, etc.).

CAREER PATHS

In the past 10 years, more than one-third of government majors have become practicing attorneys, nearly one-third have pursued careers in business, including marketing, sales, banking, and consulting. Another one-third of majors dedicate themselves to the public sector, including national, state, and local government, teaching, or non-profit work.

Jason Delisle, '00, is a member of Rep. Tom Petri's legislative staff in Washington, D.C.

Leah Drilias, '98, works for the Attorney General of Minnesota.

Susan Raddant, '99, is a Foreign Service Officer for the U.S.

Department of State in the United Arab Emirates.

Louisa Assibi, '98, received *magna cum laude* honors at graduation for her honors project, "Caring for the Refugee: An Analysis of the Role of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in the 1994 Rwandan Refugee Crisis." She now works at the International Rescue Committee in Atlanta.

Jonathan Judge, '98, is studying at the University of Wisconsin Law School. While at Lawrence, he completed both the Bachelor of Arts degree in government, as well as the Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance.

Stephen Siegel, '89 is a freelance journalist in Washington, D.C. He has been the Washington correspondent for several West coast newspapers, as well as the *Wisconsin State Journal*.

David King, '85 is associate professor of public policy at Harvard University. He had two books published recently, *Turf Wars* and *Why People Don't Trust Government*.

Scot Faulkner, '75 recently stepped down from his position as chief administrative officer of the House of Representatives, where he was responsible for the chamber's finances, daily operations, and employees.

Camille Barnett, '71 city manager of Washington, D.C., oversees all of the city's major agencies.

Harry Clor, '51 is a member of Kenyon College's political science faculty and has been named the first incumbent of that school's Distinguished Teaching Professorship in Political Science. His most recent book is *Public Morality and Liberal Science: Essays on Decency, Law, and Pornography*.

FACULTY

Minoo D. Adenwalla, professor emeritus
University of Bombay, B.A.;
Northwestern University, M.S., Ph.D.
Interests: South Asian and British politics, constitutional law

Mark Frazier, associate professor
Princeton University, B.A.; University of Washington, M.A.; University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D.

Interests: Chinese politics, politics of developing countries, international political economy

William Hixon, assistant professor,
Washington University, B.A.,
University of Rochester, M.A. and Ph.D.

Interests: Congressional politics, public policy, environmental politics

Claudena M. Skran, associate professor
Michigan State University, B.A.;
Oxford University, M.Phil., Ph.D.

Interests: international relations, international organizations (U.N. and E.C.), refugees and migration

Arnold Shober, assistant professor
Bradley University, B.A.;
University of Wisconsin-Madison, M.A., Ph. D.

Interests: public policy (education, charter schools), federalism (state and local government), American political development

Steven J. Wulf, assistant professor
Cornell University, B.A.; Yale University, M.A. and Ph.D.
Interests: history of political thought, American political thought.