

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY™

GRADUATE EDUCATION

Political Science

+ College of Arts and Sciences

Saint Louis University is a world-class Catholic, Jesuit institution educating nearly 13,000 students on two dynamic, urban campuses - in St. Louis, Missouri, and Madrid, Spain. Founded in 1818, the University is celebrating its bicentennial.

With a legacy of innovative academics and research, compassionate health care and faithful service, Saint Louis University attracts a diverse community of scholars who push intellectual boundaries in pursuit of creative, meaningful ways to impact the world, striving to serve a higher purpose and seek a greater good.

OVERVIEW >>

M.A. in Political Science:

Saint Louis University's Master of Arts in political science allows academically talented students to advance their knowledge and analytical skills by focusing on a problem-oriented area of concentration within the broad field of political science.

The M.A. program requires 30 credit hours with concentrations available in:

- American politics: Students can choose from a general American politics track, which is appropriate for students interested in further academic study of American politics, and a more career-orientated track in public law.
- International affairs: Students can choose from a general international affairs track, a foreign service track and a track that focuses on security and cooperation.
- Gender and politics: This concentration explores the social and political ramifications of gender in U.S. and world politics.
- Political theory: This concentration provides substantive grounding in the history of Western political thought, as well as the opportunity to explore issues in contemporary political theory and philosophy.

Students work out a curriculum plan for their area of concentration and a capstone project in consultation with their faculty adviser and the approval of the director of graduate studies. Students may elect to take some of their coursework in a cognate field.

Dual-Degree Programs

The department of political science also offers dual-degree programs for students interested in acquiring additional areas of expertise. Possible combinations for M.A. students include:

- Public administration (M.A./M.P.A.)
- Law (M.A./J.D.)

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APPLICATION DEADLINE >>

M.A.

FALL | April 15

SPRING | Nov. 1

SUMMER | Nov. 1

Deadlines for assistantships are listed online.

DEGREES & PROGRAMS >>

- Master of Arts (M.A.)
- Master of Arts and Master of Public Administration (M.A./M.P.A.)
- Master of Arts and Juris Doctor (M.A./J.D.)

COURSES AVAILABLE >>

DAYS NIGHTS WEEKEND ONLINE

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS >>

- Application form and fee (if applicable)
- Transcript(s)
- Three letters of recommendation
- GRE or LSAT scores
- Résumé or curriculum vitae
- Personal goal statement and writing sample

ADMISSION CRITERIA >>

Normally, candidates must have completed 18 credit hours of undergraduate social science courses, with at least nine of these credit hours in political science.



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FACULTY >>

J.D. Bowen, Ph.D.: Comparative politics, international politics, Latin America

Ellen Carnaghan, Ph.D.: Comparative politics, Russia and former Soviet sphere

Robert Cropf, Ph.D.: Public policy, public administration, public budgeting

Christopher Duncan, Ph.D.: Political theory, religious political theory, American political thought

James Gilsinan, Ph.D.: Public policy, criminology, education policy

Ruth Groff, Ph.D.: Political thought, philosophy of science

Morgan Hazelton, Ph.D.: American politics, judicial politics, constitutional law

Nori Katagiri, Ph.D.: International relations, security studies, East Asia

Timothy Lomperis, Ph.D.: Comparative politics, international relations, Asia

Michelle Lorenzini, Ph.D.: Comparative politics, international relations, Asia

Wynne Moskop, Ph.D.: Political thought, gender politics, political leadership

Steven Rogers, Ph.D.: American politics, campaigns and elections, state politics

Robert Strikwerda, Ph.D.: Gender politics, political thought

Emmanuel Uwalaka, Ph.D.: Comparative politics, international relations, Africa

Kenneth Warren, Ph.D.: American politics, public administration

Penny Weiss, Ph.D.: Political thought, gender politics

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS >>

Career Paths:

The SLU M.A. in political science prepares students for further graduate study or for careers in government, foreign service, national or international business, nonprofit organizations and NGOs. Possible careers include campaign aide, diplomat and labor relations specialist.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT >>

For full consideration for financial aid, including assistantships, applications must be submitted by Jan. 30 for the following fall semester.



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