



## Political Science

**Degree Offered:** Bachelor of Arts

### Minors Offered:

- Pre-Law, Criminal Justice, Public Administration, Black Studies, Women's Studies and many more.

### Additional Opportunities:

- Required Internship Experience
- MOOT Court Experience at Academic Festival
- Model UN Simulation

Course requirements emphasize the development of skills in demand in the workplace and graduate studies. Students will develop the ability to analyze complex material and support their arguments. They will also acquire strong research, writing, and presentation skills.

### Career Options:

Political Science majors are well-positioned to pursue careers as lawyers, legal assistants, law enforcement officers, elected officials, campaign coordinators, legislative assistants, lobbyists or interest group advocates, municipal consultants, public sector and service employees, community organizers and leaders, business owners, diplomats or consuls, international organization researchers and leaders, non-governmental organization (NGO) employees, journalists, and military or intelligence officers.

### Why Political Science @ Daemen?

- Required courses will give you a broad introduction to the disciplinary subfields of American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Public Policy.
- There is a focus on skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, and research and writing which prepare students to succeed in the workforce or pursue advanced graduate training in political science.
- You'll work directly with faculty members committed to teaching excellence and preparing you for your future.
- A capstone senior thesis requirement gives students the opportunity to choose and research a topic of interest in depth, integrating acquired knowledge and skills.

### *Where are recent graduates employed?*

- George Washington University, MA Museum Studies program
- University at Buffalo School of Law
- Community Organizer for Citizen Action of New York
- Ontario County Sheriff's Office
- Lieutenant in the Marine Corps

**History & Political Science Department Blog:**  
<http://daemencollegehistoryandpolisci.blogspot.com/>

## Political Science Students at Daemen Gain EXPERIENCE:

- The program stresses preparation for your future. All students are required to complete an internship or cooperative learning experience to apply knowledge and skills outside of the academic setting.
- The department works closely with you and the Career Services Office and other offices on campus to customize an internship to match your academic and career interests.
- A variety of opportunities are available including placements with local and state organizations, internships in Albany or Washington, and international experiences.

*did you know...*

Recently, Daemen students have interned at the American Bar Association Office in Washington DC, the Family Justice Course of Erie County, the Erie County Probation Department, the Buffalo City Mission, and the office of a local state assemblyman.



### **Fuad, Political Science**

"I chose political science because of my passion for international politics. The interaction between various countries and global organizations is a process that shapes the modern world. I would certainly

recommend this program for students with interest in politics, governing, and the law.

I have a great relationship with all of my professors. All of them are supportive and helpful. I often ask my professors lots of questions about various topics.

In a small school such as Daemen, it is much easier to stand out. The potential of talented students is more noticeable in a small classroom. A small classroom enables the professor to devote equal amount of time and attention to each student.

Daemen has everything necessary for those who are eager to learn. Daemen has partnerships with multiple colleges in the U.S and abroad. Many of my friends took advantage of study abroad programs and exchange programs with other institutions."



### **Sarah, Political Science Major with Minors in Pre-Law, Spanish, Theater Arts**

Sarah was accepted into multiple law schools including John Marshall, Seattle Baylor, and the University at Buffalo. She is currently attending the University at Buffalo School of Law.

"The professors encourage me to take academic risks and enroll in challenging courses that they know I will find useful for my career path. The advisors that I have worked with have been nothing but supportive and ready to lend a hand.

My first internship was with former Attorney General, and now Governor, Andrew Cuomo and I was a mediator in the Consumer Affairs Office. This internship set a strong foundation for my second position with the American Bar Association in Washington, DC, because I was already fairly knowledgeable with many important legal references and I was confident in my ability to work in a busy environment.

I have attended over 6 Congressional hearings and/or mark-ups, written memos for said hearings, researched various House subcommittees and their members for projects, and put together a binder for the ABA midterm meeting that just occurred."

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