



**ST. JOHN'S
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ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Master of Arts in Government and Politics

ABOUT THE M.A. IN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

The 33-credit Master of Arts in Government and Politics prepares students for leadership positions with a global focus. The program offers both a thesis and nonthesis track in concentrations of American government, international relations, comparative government, political theory, and public policy and administration. Students can also complete the international relations concentration on the Rome, Italy, campus, where the unique cultural resources of a great European capital combine with the world-class courses and faculty of St. John's.

Service learning, internship, and independent study opportunities can all be incorporated into the program. Qualified students may pursue combined degrees with law (J.D.) or library science (M.S.). There is also the option to further specialize within the master's degree and earn a Certificate in Public Administration and/or International Law and Diplomacy.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.A. IN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS?

Graduates holding a master's degree in government and politics are well-suited to a wide variety of career opportunities in the civil or foreign services; in the public or private sectors in positions of political or administrative responsibility; in the field of education; or in further study as doctoral or law students.

Recent alumni have secured positions as legislative aides, lobbyists, research analysts, political journalists, and campaign staffers. They have also found employment in federal agencies, the US Senate, the CIA, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), major corporations, and media conglomerates.





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MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The M.A. in Government and Politics at St. John's offers a rigorous academic environment for classroom study, combined with the opportunity to develop important practical skills that are highly attractive to a wide array of employers across the public and private sectors. The program is designed to be flexible, allowing students to develop breadth and depth in their field. Our vibrant internship program offers students a wide variety of relevant experiences in New York City, New York State, and abroad. In addition, students can choose to complete the program entirely in Queens or spend a semester or two taking classes and doing internships on our Rome, Italy, campus.

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Students in the program build electronic portfolios to showcase their work to future prospective employers. They work closely with program faculty on publications and research projects that lead to conference presentations, such as the New York State Political Science Association's Annual Meeting.

Recent internships for graduate students in government and politics have included the Civilian Complaint Review Board, the UN World Food Program, and the Suffolk County District Court.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of research assistantships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and/or a stipend. For more information about assistantships and other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please visit stjohns.edu/bulletin.

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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