

What is Politics and International Relations?

In a world that is being reshaped in challenging ways, Politics and International Relations is where the action is. We provide real student engagement with small class sizes where professors know your name and what you're about. Every year our students and faculty travel together to some of the most important sites of political action – in Canada, the United States, Africa and Europe. You learn why societies look the way they do, and how politics is the ultimate tool for change.

The first job of our award-winning faculty is your success. You'll receive an essential core education in international relations, Canadian politics, political theory, comparative and developing politics, plus law and public policy. Then you're free to choose specialized third and fourth-year courses where you can explore and refine your interests. Engage with Canadian and international law. Practice negotiating peace in conflict zones. Learn how to change public policies that affect your own neighbourhood. When you're done at King's, you will have the knowledge and skills you need to work at great organizations or attend top grad schools.



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Politics and International Relations



A place to **be**. A place to **become**.



Learn, Experience, Lead.

Learn

Our department educates students in each of the core disciplines of political science: Canadian politics, international relations, comparative politics/politics of development, and political theory. Your courses are led by professors who specialize in those fields. This is real learning for the real world.

Experience

Our experiential learning classes will change what you thought was possible at university. Travel to Europe and study the European Union (EU). Visit African Union headquarters in Ethiopia. See international political economy on the ground in Ghana and Tanzania. Learn the nitty-gritty of politics in our Campaign School. Join women in civic leadership here in London.

These opportunities help you to become engaged citizens and advocates for change. Whether you move directly to the work world or into graduate school, your ability to apply your knowledge and skills to real-life situations puts you at a great advantage.

Lead

Not only are Politics and International Relations (IR) students leaders at King's, they are set to be leaders after King's. Once you've learned how to think critically and flexibly, solve problems and communicate persuasively, you can study and work anywhere. Many of our students go onto graduate school or law school, or they pursue post-graduate diplomas or certificates in a variety of fields. Just look at where our practical education can help you end up.

Government, Diplomacy, Social Action

- Civil service
- Campaign advisor, constituency office manager / chief of staff
- Think tanks, NGOs and aid groups

Law, Rights and Justice

- Crown attorney or private legal practice, public defender
- Legal clerk, negotiator, mediator
- International law, business law

Business and Public Relations

- Public relations (PR), advertising, human resources
- Project management and consulting
- Corporate social responsibility

Media, Communications and Identity

- Investigative journalism, copywriter
- Policy advocate, community organizer
- Teaching, social work



Hear it from our Students

“My interest in international relations came from King's. The professors here are really passionate about what they do. And they're really impressive people. It's a smaller campus, but a smaller campus with trade and negotiation experts, and people who are at the forefront of their field.

I was always interested in politics, but it wasn't until coming into university that I fully realized the depth of my passion for politics. My professors and first-year politics classes were great. The professors here really care. They all take the time to get to know you.

My degree in Politics and International Relations is truly interdisciplinary. The career possibilities with a Politics and International Relations degree really are limitless, including NGOs, civil society actors, trade, and the United Nations.



-- Madison Paisley, BA Honours Politics & International Relations and Social Justice & Peace Studies

