

# Law and Politics

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# Go for the Political Insight

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In the United States, nearly every important political issue eventually ends up in the courts. The law and politics major at Southern New Hampshire University provides you with a solid foundation in the art and science of politics, and insight into what it means to "think like a lawyer," both in the United States and around the world.

The program emphasizes the development of critical-thinking and analytical skills in political contexts, as well as the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing on topics of political concern. These skills are transferrable to a number of careers.

Graduates with bachelor's degrees in law and politics can pursue careers in government, politics, law, business, international organizations, nonprofits, diplomacy, campaign management, journalism, teaching, research, graduate study and much more.

Students leave the program prepared for graduate study in political science, public policy, or public administration, or law school, as well as for a lifetime of citizenship in a politically and legally complex and increasingly globalized world.

### Major Courses

GEO 200	World Geography
POL 210	American Politics
POL 211	International Relations
POL 306	The American Legal Tradition
POL 314	Political Theory
POL 326	World Legal Traditions
MAT 245	Statistics for the Social Sciences*
SCS 224	Research Methods*
SCS 444	Capstone Colloquium*

\*Taken as part of the B.A./B.S. core.

### Choose six of the following:

POL 300	Politics and Prosperity
POL 305	State and Local Government
POL 316	Legal Reasoning and the Judicial Process
POL 317	Campaigns and Elections
POL 319	US Environmental Law and Politics
POL 324	Congress and the Legislative Process
POL 329	International Environmental Law and Negotiation
POL 336	Advocacy and the Law
POL 349	Comparative Environmental Law/Sustainable Dev.
POL 362	The American Presidency

POL 410A	Semester in Washington D.C./Politics Field Experience (12 credits)
POL 410B	Semester in Washington D.C./Politics Seminar
POL 413A	Semester in Washington, D.C./Pre-Law Field Experience (12 credits)
POL 413B	Semester in Washington, D.C.: Pre-Law Seminar

### Semester in Washington D.C.

Beginning in their junior year, political science majors may elect to spend a semester in the nation's capital as a student in SNHU's Semester in Washington, D.C., program. The Semester in Washington, D.C., program promotes learning by doing among SNHU political science majors and minors and other SNHU students through for-credit internships and academic seminars hosted by The Washington Center in Washington, D.C. The Washington Center is an independent, not-for-profit organization that since 1975 has provided internship programs and academic seminars to college students from throughout the United States and around the world, and is affiliated with more than 850 colleges and universities nationwide. The Washington Center provides students with housing and places them in internships appropriate to their interests. For more information, see the course descriptions for POL 410A through 413A and POL 410B through 413B, Paul Barresi (Political Science Chair) and The Washington Center.

### Accreditation

Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration  
American Culinary Federation Educational Institute  
Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs  
European Council for Business Education  
National Association for Sport and Physical Education  
New England Association of Schools and Colleges  
New Hampshire Postsecondary Education Commission  
New Hampshire State Department of Education for  
Teacher Certification  
North American Society for Sport Management

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