**Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science**

The Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science provides a rigorous, sharply focused disciplinary program with strong multidisciplinary links. The Program consists of innovative, state-of-the-science graduate education in political science research methods and three substantive fields. Students work closely with program faculty members, many of whom have national and international reputations, have served as editors of major journals, and have received external research grants.

A political science Ph.D. prepares students for research and teaching careers in academics, government or the private sector.

**Program Description**

Students must complete 48 hours of coursework, pass their qualifying exams, and write and defend a doctoral dissertation that makes an original contribution to knowledge.

In addition to completing the core coursework, students must demonstrate competency in one major field and one minor field from among the following:

- Comparative and International Relations
- Political Institutions and American Politics
- Law and Courts

**Financial Support**

Teaching assistantships are available for particularly well qualified students. Research assistantships may also be available, depending on grant funding.

**Admission Requirements**

- Preferred GRE score of 310 (new) 1200 (old)
- Baccalaureate degree from an accredited university
- 3.2 undergraduate grade point average is desirable
- University’s graduate application form
- Three letters of recommendation
- Personal statement outlining background and educational and professional objectives

Visit [www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate](http://www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate) for application and detailed admission steps.

**Deadlines**

The Political Science Ph.D program accepts graduate students in the fall. To be considered for funding, applications must be received by March 1. For more information regarding deadlines visit [www.utdallas.edu/enroll/apply/fees.php](http://www.utdallas.edu/enroll/apply/fees.php).

**Contact**

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