POLITICAL SCIENCE

Students in political science develop an awareness of the modern world and its political dimensions while learning to research, analyze data, and communicate effectively. Political science students learn to view other people and cultures objectively while strengthening skills in writing, research, and critical thinking.

Jordan Capps Myrick, '16

Project Manager Almac Clinical Services



Studying political science at Meredith College prepares students for a variety of careers, not just in government service or in campaigns. Jordan Myrick, '16, a project manager at Almac Clinical Services, is one of many

who are using the preparation offered by the major in corporate careers.

"I took a political science class as one of my Gen Ed courses and it initially sparked my interest," Myrick said. "After taking another political science class the next semester, I knew a political science major was something I wanted to pursue."

Myrick enjoyed the connections she made with her political science faculty. "I looked forward to going to class and meeting with them one on one," she said. "They were always so willing to teach, coach, mentor, and encourage."

Myrick's strongest Meredith memories include working with her thesis adviser, debating in class, job shadowing a state senator, and completing an internship with the Person County district attorney's office.

Myrick encourages students to consider all the types of careers that someone with a political science degree could pursue.

"Don't be afraid to allow your major to take you to careers that are outside of the box; your skills are more transferrable than you may realize," said Myrick.

As a political science major, Myrick built skills in writing, public speaking, and persuasion.

"I learned to voice my opinion, supported with facts. I was encouraged to speak up for my beliefs and values even if they differed from my peers," Myrick said. "Through this major, I learned the value of my voice." Meredith political science majors have found success in a variety of fields.

32% Business

- President and CEO, Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce
- Research Analyst, Rad Trust
- Knowledge Management Consultant, IBM

<u>前</u> 21% Government

- Lobbyist, Oak City Government Relations
- Government Relations Analyst, Brooks, Pearson and McLendon
- City Planner, City of Greenville, N.C.
- Special Counsel for the Division of Child Support, Virginia Attorney General
- Press Assistant, Office of the N.C. Governor

Ž 21% Nonprofit

- Director of Government Relations, The Golden Leaf Foundation
- Community Engagement Manager, The Green Chair Project
- Director of Museum Education, N.C. Museum of History

≽ 17% Law

- Attorney and Partner, Ragsdale Liggett, PLLC
- Assistant District Attorney, Mecklenburg County, N.C.
- General Counsel, N.C. Department of the Secretary of State

9% Education

- Associate Professor, Auburn University
- Teacher, Wake County Public School System
- Principal, Innovation Academy, Johnston County Public Schools

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