

POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY AND ECONOMICS

PPEC-P-BAH Specialization (Arts) Bachelor of Arts (Honours)

Study social issues and how our society responds to these issues, while asking questions drawn from economic, political, and philosophical perspectives. Society faces challenges that are complex and multi-dimensional, and our efforts to tackle these challenges require us to bring complementary intellectual skills together using multi-disciplinary analytical and critical approaches. This program combines Economics, Philosophy and Politics in ways to prepare students to enter graduate studies in areas of law, public service, international development, policy design and analysis, or any other career that calls for strong analytical and communication skills.

TOP 5 REASONS to study POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY AND ECONOMICS

- 1 Study in one of the top research departments in Canada.
- 2 Develop research, analytical, leadership, and creative thinking skills.
- 3 Learn how to address complex local, national, and international economic problems.
- 4 Learn how to apply appropriate quantitative methods to a range of economic issues.
- 5 Develop a deeper understanding of the economy and the world around you.

2023-24 Plan Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection.

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

Alumni Story

6% of alumni work in **LAW**

10% of alumni work in **EDUCATION**

10% of alumni work in **GOVERNMENT**

24% of alumni work in **BANKING & INVESTMENT**

David Card earned his BAH in Economics at Queen's. He has made fundamental research contributions on the impacts of immigration on labour market wages, unemployment, job training, and inequality. Currently the director at the National Bureau of Economic Research and a professor in California, Card was the co-recipient of the IZA Prize in Labor Economics, as well as a recipient of the American Economic Association's John Bates Clark Prize.

add a **CERTIFICATE**

Data Analytics

Disability and Physical Activity

Employment Relations

Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity

French for Professionals

Geographic Information Science

Global Action and Engagement

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

International Studies

Media Studies

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

Interested in finding out how to augment your degree with Experiential Learning? Learn what opportunities and resources are available for you on the [Experiential Learning website](https://quartsci.com/experiential). You can also reach out to the team directly at asc.el@queensu.ca.

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Acquire Skills. Gain Experience. Go Global.

That is a degree from Queen's.

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2023-2024

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SPECIALIZATION BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS)



How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the [My Major Map](#) tool.



3RD YEAR

chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of Politics, Philosophy and Economics. Meet with an [Academic Advisor](#) to make sure you are on track and to plan out your courses for next year. For some ideas, see the back page.

If interested, apply for an [Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship \(USSRF\)](#). Consider applying to do a 12-16 month [QUIP Internship](#) between your third and fourth year. Explore entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the [Queen's Innovation Centre Summer Initiative \(QICSI\)](#).

Engage in targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group [Queen's Connects](#). Check out Career Services [networking workshops](#). Attend talks in the departmental speaker series.

Connect with professors at social and academic events hosted by the DSC.

Develop your intercultural competence by becoming involved with other cultures or practicing or improving your [language](#).

Consider focusing on areas of interest. Research the application requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and seek [help thinking about Grad School](#) from Career Services.

4TH OR FINAL YEAR

In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to [Graduate School](#) or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your degree and your optional certificate(s).

Interested in working on a real-world problem with an actual client? Take [ASCX 400](#) and develop your consulting and project-management skills.

Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest.

Assess what experience you're lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out the Career Services [workshop](#) for help.

Consider joining professional associations like the [Canadian Association for Business and Economics](#), the [Canadian Philosophical Association](#), or the [Canadian Institute of International Affairs](#).

Join groups on LinkedIn reflecting specific careers or topics of interest.

International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an [International Student Advisor](#).

Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with [job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad School applications](#), or other decisions.

Apply in the fall for [SSHRC](#) and [OGS](#) scholarships.

Apply for the [Queen's Career Apprenticeship: Kingston \(QCA:K\)](#).

CONSIDER A 12-16 MONTH QUIP INTERNSHIP

CONSIDER A 12 MONTH QCA:K APPRENTICESHIP

What will I learn?

A degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics can equip you with valuable and versatile skills, such as:

- Demonstrate a broad knowledge and awareness of the debates, issues, and insights that are the focus of study in politics, philosophy and economics
- Identify and describe the primary strengths and weaknesses of the theoretical foundations of contemporary political, philosophical, and economic thought
- Identify issues of social concern for which disciplinary and multidisciplinary approaches can help with framing, articulation, and resolution
- Critically evaluate approaches that originate from outside the perspectives and theoretical foundations of politics, philosophy or economics
- Acknowledge that even multidisciplinary approaches and tools necessarily impose conditions on the questions that can be asked and conclusions reached

Where can I go?

A degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Applied ethics
- Communications
- Graduate and professional studies
- International and local development
- Journalism
- Law
- Marketing
- Public relations
- Social and economic consulting and advocacy

Taking time to explore career options, build experience, and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.



QUIP QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES

in May, September,
or January

POSITIONS

are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS

are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with a "Professional Internship" degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

ELIGIBILITY

- 2nd or 3rd Year Students
- Minimum GPA of 1.9

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience.
- Build network connections.
- Receive support from Queen's staff in job search and during internship.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

For 175 years, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think.

