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.

### Alumni Jobs

- 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

#### Alumni Story

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.

### Department of Economics

1.9cGPA PENDING LIST
min pass in ECON 1##

#### Contact

613-533-2296
econ.queensu.ca

### Department of Philosophy

1.9cGPA PENDING LIST
min B- in PHIL 1##

#### Contact

613-533-2182
queensu.ca/philosophy

### Department of Political Studies

1.9cGPA PENDING LIST
min B- in POLS 110

#### Contact

613-533-6230
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* Students requesting PPEC will all be placed on a pending list based on their choice of sub-plan. Preference will be given to students who have completed 12 units or more in a 100-level course in ECON, PHIL and POLS.

**Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. For the latest information please visit: QUartsci.com
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In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of Politics, Philosophy and Economics along with some electives. See the back page for specific courses to consider. Attend Major’s Night in the winter term to learn more about Plan options.

Get Ready for Life After Graduation

Grappling with program decisions? Go to Major’s Night or get some help wondering about career options from Career Services. Build your transferable skills in time management, problem-solving, writing and more with Student Academic Success Services.

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
- Communicate sophisticated and complex disciplinary and multidisciplinary reasoning in written, spoken and visual form
- 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 make a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

Get Connected with the Community

Volunteer on- or off-campus with different community organizations, such as the Queen’s International Affairs Association (QIAA) or Frontier College Queen’s Students for Literacy.

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

Get Thinking Globally

Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUC’s Intercultural Competency Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.

Speak to a QUIC advisor to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.

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

Get Relevant Experience

Join teams or clubs on campus. See the AMS Clubs Directory or the Queen’s Get Involved page for more ideas.

Apply to be a 1st year intern with the AMS or ASUS.

Volunteer with The Journal, Queen’s student-run newspaper.

Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC) as a class representative, year representative, or on the executive.

If interested, attend the Queen’s Media and Journalism Conference or the QAA Global Passport Online Database and Internship Fair.

Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship between your third and fourth year or entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the Queen’s Innovation Connector Summer Initiative (QICS).

Do 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 departmental speaker series.

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

International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.

Get the Courses You Need

Start going deeper into the discipline of Politics, Philosophy and Economics, while considering a certificate such as International Studies. Attend Degree in the Fall term to learn more about Certificates and Internship options.

Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit SASS (Student Academic Support Services) and the Writing Centre for some help.

If interested, apply for an Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF).

Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship between your third and fourth year or entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the Queen’s Innovation Connector Summer Initiative (QICS).

Look into summer jobs by talking to the dept. or Career Services about work through WSWEP or Work-Study.

Take more responsibility within different extracurriculars, such as Queen’s Model Parliament or write an article for publications related to politics such as Politicus.

If interested, apply for an Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF).

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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.

Get Ready for Life After Graduation

Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services Information Area, such as Careers in Finance. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.

Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about Grad School from Career Services.

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.
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Sample Year by Year

1ST YEAR
- ECON 110/6.0 or (ECON 111/3.0 and ECON 112/3.0)
- POLS 110/6.0
- 6.0 units from PHIL at the 100 level
- 12.0 units of electives
*Those considering Economics Sub-Plan should take one of the Math courses in first year as outlined in the Academic Calendar

2ND YEAR
- 12.0 units from main Sub-Plan (Politics, Philosophy, Economics)
- 6.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan A
- 6.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan B
- 6.0 units of electives

3RD YEAR
- 12.0 units from main Sub-Plan (Politics, Philosophy, Economics)
- 6.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan A
- 6.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan B
- 6.0 units of electives

4TH YEAR
- 12.0 units from main Sub-Plan (Politics, Philosophy, Economics)
- 3.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan A
- 3.0 units from secondary Sub-Plan B
- 12.0 units of electives

Note that degree requirements are revised regularly. The most current requirements, including course lists and options, are found in the Academic Calendar at: QUartsci.com/academic-calendar