Politics is the study of government and political systems, organizations and processes and focuses on its structure, function and the necessity for human social order. Politics involves the study of power, influence and ideas in public and private life, at the personal, local, state, national and international levels. They are dedicated to providing students with an understanding of politics, government, and public policy.

WHAT ARE SOME ALUMNI DOING NOW?

Communications Director
Policy and Programs Officer
Accounting Clerk
Director of Annual Giving
Radio Host
Mayor
Spanish Interpreter
Legal Assistant
Press Secretary
Budget Analyst
Public Policy Advisor
Attorney

WHAT IS THE STUDY OF POLITICS?

• Acquire foreign language competence for international positions.
• Become familiar with hiring practices in government agencies.
• Interest in Law: secure an internship with a legal organization.
• Develop research, writing, analytical and communication skills.
• Volunteer for local or national campaigns.
• Become involved in campus/local political orgs, student government, campus publications & community service projects.
• Take courses in statistics, computer science, environmental studies or public policy.
• Study political environment of business, organizations and cultures.
• Participate in cultural, social justice and/or political action clubs/orgs.
• Volunteer through the Center for Community Based Learning or the Office of Community Engagement.
• Run for an Associated Students of Occidental College (ASOC) position.
• Develop a network of personal contacts.