

## Studying Political Science Off-Campus & Abroad

*Many opportunities exist for students interested in political science to take classes in another part of the world.*

*In addition to blocks which may be taught off-campus by CC professors during the year and in the summer, many options exist on CC-approved semester and year-long programs around the world. Here are some options that you might consider; this list is not exhaustive.*

*If you have questions about participating in one of these programs, please visit the website for CC's Center for Global Education ([www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/globalandfield](http://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/globalandfield)), where you can learn **how to apply**, see a **guide to credit transfer processes**, and also search the **course approval database** to see previous approvals from past participants. For additional questions about credit transfer to your major, or specific questions about academic planning and goals, check with your academic advisor within Political Science faculty..*

### **Syracuse University in Strasbourg**

Strasbourg, France is home to several of Europe's most important political institutions, including the EU Parliament, the Council of Europe, and the European Court of Human Rights. Located just over the Rhine River from Germany, and not far from Switzerland, the Syracuse Strasbourg program allows students to take classes in English or French, at the Syracuse Center and at partnering French institutions, including the Sciences Po Strasbourg. Syracuse enjoys the privileged position to be able to offer 12 internship placement spots to their students each year at the Council of Europe, available fall and spring semesters; interns observe, assist, and conduct research for various Directorates of the Council of Europe Secretariat, including Political Affairs, Office of the Clerk (parliamentary assembly), Human Rights, Public Health, Cultural Affairs, and the Environment. Other internships are also available across the city, as well.

### **IFSA Partnership with London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) (year-long only)**

The General Course is LSE's study abroad program, drawing students from overseas universities to spend a full academic year at LSE. With a range of 300+ courses offered in departments of Government, Economic History, Geography, International History, International Relations, Law, Social Policy, and Languages, you will be joining a culturally diverse population of 11,000 students, around 70% of whom join from outside the UK, representing over 140 countries. General Course students have access to a range of resources to make the most of their studies, including the world-renowned British Library of Political and Economic Science. Application is through our partnership with IFSA.

### **Augsburg University**

Augsburg has a long history of engaging in meaningful, community-based learning for justice in Minneapolis and around the world. CC works with four of their programs, all excellent for Political Science students, especially those wanting to engage for experiential changemaking.

- **Northern Ireland – Conflict, Peace, and Transition:** Study human rights, identity-based conflict and violence, equality, conflict transformation, and education for democracy, and see in action the tools used to transform conflict. A 7-week, nearly full-time internship in the historic 17<sup>th</sup>-century walled city of Londonderry/Derry allows students to participate directly in efforts toward a peaceful future.
- **Guatemala & Costa Rica – Social Change in Central America: Exploring Peace, Justice, and Community:** Develop and expand Spanish language skills while immersing in the lives of host families, urban and rural communities, and grassroots organizations dedicated to work on issues related to conflict, U.S. foreign policy, gender, and economic and social justice. Students will learn about the history, culture, and anti-oppression struggles of the people of Central America, with on a focus on indigenous peoples in Guatemala, Nicaraguan immigrants, and youth involved in social movements in Nicaragua, and the impact of globalization on immigration.
- **Norway - Social Systems, Sustainability, and Justice:** This program explores the Norwegian and Nordic models of addressing contemporary social issues, delving into wide-ranging topics such as national identity, gender equality, the climate crisis, immigration, happiness, housing, labor rights, renewable energy & environmental sustainability, and economic inequality, with opportunities to engage with Norwegian college student peers at the partner university.
- **Namibia & South Africa – Decolonizing the Mind: Racial and Environmental Justice:** Both Namibia and South Africa have struggled against the lasting impacts of colonialization, apartheid, the fight for liberation, and ethnic and racial tensions. This program examines how people can organize themselves towards positive social change and the triumph of the human spirit. You can also gain hands-on work experience in a development agency through an academic internship for credit.

### **Washington Semester: American University**

One of the longest-running study away partnerships for Political Science students at CC, the internship-based Washington Semester program at American University in D.C. offers you the opportunity to take interdisciplinary seminar coursework from world-class, well-connected experts in our nation's capital, while also pursuing a semester-long internship. These placements can be in areas as varied as Politics & Government, International Affairs & Foreign Policy, Business and Economics, Diversity and Social Justice Organizations, Journalism, Communications, and more. Students select two interdisciplinary academic seminars, on topics like *International Peace & Security*, *U.S. Public Policy*, *Globalization in Crisis*, and *Criminal Legal System: Roots of Mass Incarceration & Racial Disparity*, while also earning academic credit from their internship and AU elective courses.

### **CET Prague: Central European Studies, Global Security Studies, or Jewish Studies**

From its founding in the 6th century at the crux of Western and Eastern Europe, Prague has weathered many different political systems -- from empire to communism, through the Velvet Revolution and into democracy. Prague is a longstanding hotbed of political resistance and artistic experimentation, and also has many sites steeped in Jewish political and cultural history. Students choose to take their coursework following one of three tracks, all of interest to the Political Science student: Central European Studies track, Global Security Studies, or the Jewish Studies track. Live with CET peers and local Czech students; internships are also available across a wide range of fields.

### **CET Shanghai: Intern & Study Semester**

The modern city of Shanghai is an excellent place to delve into study of Chinese culture, language, and power. Alongside your coursework in English, in subjects like *Politics and Governance in China*, *Political Economy of Development*, *China's Foreign Policy*, and *The Making of Modern East Asia*, you can also complete a semester-long internship through the program's well-connected network. Past students have interned for organizations ranging from the Shanghai Propaganda Poster Art Center to the Haiyi Immigration & Education Group. Live with a local Chinese student as your roommate, and study Chinese language at all levels.

### **CET Brazil: Social Justice and Inequality**

Study in Brazil, the largest country in South America and the fifth largest nation in the world; on this program based in São Paulo, all students take the foundational class on Social Justice and Inequality in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Brazil, and begin or continue their study of the Portuguese language, while choosing from a range of elective courses on topics like: *Brazilian Politics and Society*, *Re-Thinking Racial Democracy in Brazil*, *The Perils of Democracy After Bolsonaro*, and *Brazil-US Relations*. Students live with Brazilian roommates, giving you real-life insights into Brazil today.

### **IES Rabat: Study in Rabat**

Rich in cultural heritage and diversity, Morocco has been influenced by many different ethnic and religious groups that have settled here throughout its long history. The IES Rabat curriculum focuses on North African, Middle Eastern, and Islamic Studies, with courses like *North Africa Politics*, *The Human Right to Migration*, and *Arab Media and Issues of Politics & Culture*. You'll study Modern Standard Arabic at your level, plus Colloquial Arabic to communicate with Moroccans. CC Political Science professor Dr. Sofia Fenner is happy to speak with you about this program.

### **DIS: Copenhagen or Stockholm**

DIS offers students the opportunity to study abroad in English and explore the social and political systems in Scandinavia, with comparative course-integrated field trips throughout Europe. DIS's **Stockholm** location offers core courses in either *European Security Dilemmas* and *Public Health and Migration: Access, Politics, and Human Rights* and electives in areas such as *Economics and Gender*, *Psychology of Political Behavior*, and *Swedish Politics & Society*. In **Copenhagen**, DIS offers core course programs in *European Politics*, *Justice & Human Rights*, or *Terrorism and Security*. Additional political science electives are available in areas such as: *Danish Politics and Society*, *Equality in Scandinavia: Developments & Challenges of the Welfare State*, *Partners and Rivals: EU/US Relations*, *Religion and Politics of Europe*, and *Enemy Within: Spies and Espionage in the Cold War*.

### **Carleton: Women's and Gender Studies in Europe (fall semester only)**

Since 1984, the Carleton Women's and Gender Studies in Europe semester has offered students a unique opportunity to explore feminist and queer theory in practice across three different locations in Western and East Central Europe. Interaction with academics, politicians, activists, and homestay hosts encourages comparative approaches to independent research projects. Students explore the culture and history of Amsterdam, Utrecht, Berlin, and Prague throughout the program.

### **School for International Training (SIT)**

SIT offers experiential, thematic study abroad semesters around the world, each organized to focus on a *Critical Global Issue*, including: Peace & Justice Studies, Development & Inequality, Geopolitics & Power, Identity & Human Resilience, Climate & Environment, Education & Social Change, and Global Health & Well-being. Many SIT programs are popular with political science students, including:

- **Argentina:** Social Movements & Human Rights
- **Belgrade, Budapest & Vienna:** Comparative European Perspectives on Conflict & Democracy
- **Cameroon:** Development & Social Change
- **Czech Republic:** Human Rights and Refugee Integration
- **Jordan:** Geopolitics, International Relations & The Future of The Middle East
- **Mexico:** Migration, Borders, and Transnational Communities
- **Morocco:** Human Rights, Social Justice, and Cultural Transformation
- **Nepal:** Development, Gender and Social Change in the Himalaya
- **South Africa:** International Relations in the Global South
- **Spain:** Social Movements, Democracy, and Cultural Identity
- **Switzerland:** International Studies and Multilateral Diplomacy
- **Tunisia & Italy:** Politics and Religious Integration in the Mediterranean
- **Vietnam:** Culture, Social Change, and Development
- **IHP (Multi-country) Human Rights:** Movements, Power, and Resistance -- in Chile, Jordan, Nepal, and the U.S.

***For more information about any of these programs, or to explore other options, please visit  
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