



What Students Say...

“The best aspect of being a political science major at Tufts is the unparalleled attention and access I’ve had with my professors outside of class. Whether visiting during office hours, attending receptions at professor’s homes, or getting directly involved in a professor’s research, I’ve had tremendous opportunities to grow intellectually in the broader sense, but also to narrow my interests within political science. For example, I recently had the opportunity to work with one of my professors on a book he was completing, which helped me to fully realize my passion for American constitutional law. While I am still formulating my plans for after graduation, I plan to ultimately attend law school and pursue a career in litigation.”

Matthew Shapanka, Class of 2009

“The Department of Political Science at Tufts includes faculty with diverse areas of knowledge, so if you find yourself disinterested with one aspect of your major, there is never any need to change majors because there are so many disciplines within Political Science, such as comparative, American, International, and political theory. Also all the Political Science professors are the most accessible and helpful of all the teachers I’ve had at Tufts.”

DC Wolf, Class of 2010

“There’s no barrier between the faculty and the students. The professors regularly fill us in on their exciting encounters with heads of state and foreign leaders. Even though my professors are some of the most well-respected political scientists in the country, they never intimidate me. I feel like my professors love to hear what I have to say, but they aren’t afraid to correct and criticize my ideas. It’s a faculty that embraces different perspectives and respects disagreement.”

Griffin Pepper, Class of 2010

“I have been able to take some truly thought-provoking and challenging classes within the Department of Political Science. The professors, that I’ve had, have not only pushed me to reach my full potential, but also inspired me. I have had professors that have always helped in any way they could. This past semester a friend and I taught an experimental-college class to freshman on the 2008 Election. We wanted to have an expert guest speaker come in an present. I went to the Department of Political Science and asked several professors if they would be willing to help. I received an overwhelming response. The professors were not only very willing to help, but were excited about it. Students are truly supported in whatever you decided to do. After I graduate from Tufts I plan to, hopefully, become a Teach for America Corp. Member for two years and then attend law school.”

London Moore, Class of 2009