



Faculty of Arts

# Politics and International Studies at Melbourne

# Why study Politics and International Studies?

## UNDERSTAND GLOBAL POLITICAL ISSUES AND SHAPE THE WORLD WE LIVE IN

This major isn't just for future politicians – it's for anyone who's interested in the social and political problems we face and in exploring how we might resolve them. You'll learn about the political issues, institutions, ideas and policies that dominate local, national and international agendas and you'll study concepts such as identity and community, power, democracy, governance, political movements, war and conflict, and conflict resolution.

You'll be able to choose from subjects which encompass a variety of perspectives in political science including international relations, public policy, political economy, Australian politics, Indigenous studies, feminism and gender studies. You can even apply for a public affairs internship, where you'll gain experience in policy-making in a public affairs-focused organisation, or a parliamentary internship, where you'll work for a Victorian MP.

## WHERE CAN A MAJOR IN POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES TAKE YOU?

You'll gain the core critical research skills fundamental to work in a range of areas, and the communication skills to articulate your ideas and their significance. You might go on to have a career in business, government, politics, NGO and civil society work – or in any field that requires an understanding of the complexity of our political lives and the international world today.

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[unimelb.edu.au/study/politics-and-international-studies](http://unimelb.edu.au/study/politics-and-international-studies)



*“As a parliamentary intern I produced a research report for a Member of Parliament on a topic that I am extremely passionate about: engaging young people with national parks. I loved every moment of this internship and feel so lucky to have been afforded such a unique opportunity to learn about Victoria’s parliamentary system and how public policy is created.”*

**Yasmin Jarkan**