



PURSUING A CAREER IN

# Public Policy & Government

AT CHRISTENDOM COLLEGE

With a liberal arts degree from Christendom College, you can go into a diverse range of career fields, including public policy and government. With our location so close to Washington, DC, we have many connections with various think tanks, non-profits, and political and public policy organizations in the area. Our alumni have been successful entering these fields due to their broad-based liberal arts education, coupled with their excellent communication skills, time management and analytical thinking abilities, and their interest in pursuing truth and justice.

Employers find them to be quick learners, diligent workers, people of integrity, and able to understand a broad range of topics pertinent to the field. Having worked a DC area internship either during the school year or summer, and their commitment to living lives of integrity, Christendom alumni have excelled in the industry—even without a specific degree in the field.

## Essential Skills Acquired Through a Liberal Arts Education:

- Analytical and logical thinking
- Problem-solving
- Understanding of different cultures
- Time management skills
- Communication skills

"[A] liberal arts education may be a significant contributor to the career success of leaders in the business, government and nonprofit sectors...[O]ur nation's leaders need to be able to strategically think and plan, deftly interpret changing global conditions, effectively marshal expansive resources and collaboratively guide teams of diverse people. Students at liberal arts colleges are challenged and supported to cultivate these skills throughout their coursework and co-curricular activities." - InsideHigherEd.com

## MAJORS AND MINORS TO PURSUE

- Political Science and Economics
- Philosophy
- History
- English Language and Literature
- Classical and Early Christian Studies

## COURSES AT CHRISTENDOM BENEFICIAL FOR THIS FIELD

- American Government Institutions
- Constitutional Law I and II
- Rhetoric and Public Speaking
- Catholicism and American Democracy
- Politics Practica

## ON-CAMPUS JOBS RELATED TO THIS FIELD

- Resident Assistant
- Library Page or Supervisor
- Gym Supervisor
- Special Events Assistant

## EXTRACURRICULARS RELATED TO THIS FIELD

- Debate Society
- College Republicans
- Students for Life America
- Shield of Roses
- Student Ambassador
- Student Activities Council
- Class President
- Student Body President



**ALUMNI**  
**PUBLIC POLICY & GOVERNMENT**  
**Here to Mentor You**



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“My Christendom education gave me crucial tools to be successful in Washington, DC. Most importantly, it instilled a foundation in the Catholic faith and sound political principles that enable me to maintain those values and exercise appropriate judgment in a challenging secular environment.”

**Cyrus Artz '10**  
Political Science & Economics  
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**Career and Vocational Discernment Assistance**

We will help you prepare for post-graduation success, whether you choose to enter the workforce immediately, attend graduate school, join a religious community or enroll in a seminary, or pursue marriage. Through the educational and vibrantly Catholic cultural experiences offered, you will be well prepared to strive for excellence and achieve success: **98.8% of the Class of 2020** were employed or in graduate school within 6 months of graduation!

Throughout your four years on campus, you will take required career development courses as part of the curriculum through which you learn how to navigate the career discernment process and how to network, search for jobs, write resumes and cover letters, interview properly, and become financially literate.

Director of Career & Professional Development Kristin Stephens will also work individually with you to assist with your decision making process, and ensure you have the confidence you need as you move toward graduation.

- Alumni Mentoring Program • Guest Speakers • LifeSkills Workshops • CareerPath™ • Graduate School Help
- One-on-One Counseling • Job Board • On-Campus Recruitment • Internship Assistance