Over half (62%) of Politics BA degree graduates had plans to pursue graduate education.
The vast majority (92%) of graduates with a Politics Major plan to obtain either a masters degree or JD.
Politics BA graduates were interested in pursuing advanced degrees in a variety of fields, the most popular of which were related to Legal Professions & Studies (33%), Social Sciences (21%), and Public Administration and Social Service Professions (19%).
UCSC Politics BA Graduates
Employment Plans

38% of graduates with a BA degree in Politics reported being employed within 6 months of graduation.

Data from 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 Graduating Classes
UCSC First Destination Survey
Among those who are not going to graduate school after graduation, 43% of Politics BA graduates reported being employed than seeking employment within 6 months of graduation.
Of those employed, 43% of Politics BA graduates reported working in the Business sector within 6 months of graduation.
Fifty percent of graduates with a BA degree in Politics reported earning $31,320 annually or higher within 6 months of graduation.
60% of Politics BA graduates hoped to have a career in Government & Public Administration after completing their education.

Data from 2015-2016 Graduating Class
UCSC First Destination Survey
43% of Politics BA graduates reported that they plan to work in the Santa Cruz (18%) or San Francisco Bay (25%) Area.
UCSC Politics BA Graduates

When did they start looking for a job? (employed & seeking employment)

46% of Politics BA graduates began looking for a job at least 3 or more months before graduation.

Start the search early! Of those graduates who were employed full-time, 60% started searching for a job at least 3 or more months before graduation.

Data from 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 Graduating Classes
UCSC First Destination Survey
Of those employed, 52% of graduates with a BA degree in Politics received multiple job offers.
UCSC Politics BA Graduates
Internships

43% of graduates reported that they found their internship either by networking with UCSC or personal contacts.

76% of graduates with a Politics Major had at least 1 or more internships during their studies at UCSC.

Data from 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 Graduating Classes
UCSC First Destination Survey