

# MASTER OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, POLITICAL ANALYSIS SPECIALIZATION, PLAN B

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The Master of Arts in Political Science, Political Analysis Specialization, Plan B offers advanced training in empirical inquiry while gaining a sophisticated understanding of politics and political processes. The specialization prepares students for careers as analysts in a broad range of organizations including government, non-profits, campaigns, advocacy groups, and the private sector.

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[Students interested in graduate work should refer to the Graduate and Professional Bulletin.](#)

## Learning Objectives

Students who choose the Political Analysis Specialization will:

1. Design and conduct original empirical research on politics or policy.
2. Master appropriate software necessary for statistics, qualitative coding, surveys, data management, and/or data visualization.
3. Clearly articulate and present technical and methodological material to a general audience.
4. Understand the strengths and weaknesses of a variety of methodological approaches.
5. Identify and apply the appropriate tool for analysis of substantive issues.
6. Demonstrate competency in a traditional subfield of political science or Power, Justice and Democracy Specialization.