



POLITICAL SCIENCE

SENIOR UNDERGRADUATE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

2025-2026

MENTOR APPLICATION FORM

WHY BECOME A MENTOR?

The Political Science Senior Mentorship Program was developed to enhance the student experience for 3rd and 4th year Political Science undergraduate students. By matching students with Political Science alumni, the program provides students with valuable career advice at a critical point in their education.

Students are looking for advice on the present day workplace, and are interested in hearing about your career path. They would like to broaden their horizons by learning about what career options are available to them, what current job market trends you might foresee, and how they should network. Above all, they want the sort of practical, “been-there-done-that” advice that someone with your experience can provide.

It also provides you, the mentor, with an opportunity to connect with current students and contribute to your alma matter in a meaningful way. If matched, both parties meet on a regular basis and have contact through email, phone or in-person meetings. The duration of mentoring is from October to May but can continue after the program has concluded. Alumni who have served as mentors in similar programs report that they often learn as much from the students as the students learn from them.

AS A PARTICIPATING MENTOR, WE ASK THAT YOU COMMIT TO:

- We recommend meeting at least three times during the academic year (October until March) with the student we match you with either in-person, by phone or by email, as agreed upon between you and your student.
- Attend the opening reception with all mentors and students. Details TBA.
- Completion of a brief evaluation at the conclusion of the program.

APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Surname:	First Name:
Name at Graduation (if different from above):	
Organization:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Mailing Address:	

EDUCATION:

I attended Political Science from (year to year):
Please list U of T Degree(s) and year(s) of graduation, and please list Degree(s) received from other academic institutions and year(s) of graduation:
Extracurricular activities while at the University of Toronto:

CAREER:

Briefly outline what you do in your current role:

Please list any other experience you feel may be useful in your role as a mentor:

BIOGRAPHY:

A short biography about yourself: (No more than 100 words) For example: career information, charitable works, previous mentor experience, etc.

Given your career experiences, what kind of student would you prefer to be matched with (i.e. field of study, international student, etc.)?

LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

While every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of the information contained in this application form, the Department of Political Science accepts no liability for errors and omissions. By signing this application form, you agree to indemnify and save harmless Department of Political Science, its faculty, staff and students as well as volunteers from all claims, suits and actions of every name, kind and description brought for, or on account of, any loss, injury or damage caused by you or within your control, and release the Department of Political Science, its faculty, staff and students as well as volunteers from all personal injuries or property losses you might suffer during your participation in any activity within the Department of Political Science Mentorship Program. While every effort will be made by the program to find a mentoring match for each student and each alumnus based on the information provided by the applicants, successful matching is not guaranteed due to the uneven number and diversity of applicants.

PRIVACY AGREEMENT

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Name: _____
(please print)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit completed forms with a copy of your resume and send as one pdf attachment by email to polsci.alum@utoronto.ca