

Politics and International Relations Graduates

An Exeter graduate in Politics and International Relations will typically have the ability to:

- apply concepts, theories and methods to analyse political ideas, institutions and practice;
- gather, organise and deploy evidence, data and information from secondary and primary sources;
- identify, investigate and analyse, formulate and advocate solutions to problems;
- construct reasoned arguments, synthesise information and exercise critical judgement;
- communicate effectively in speech and writing.

Did you know that graduates of this subject also develop skills in using ICT to retrieve and presenting information, including statistical or numerical information, and in working collaboratively as well as independently?

All the skills listed above could potentially be incorporated into your CV, application form or job interview.

What can you do with your degree?

Specific knowledge gained from studying Politics and International Relations are important if you want to pursue a career in professional and managerial careers. Graduates can also enter the media (including journalism), business, law, charities, the voluntary sector and the public sector. However, even if the areas already mentioned are not ones that you are interested in, remember that employers from other vocational areas value the abilities, skills and experiences that you will have developed.

These are examples of the destinations of recent graduates from the Politics and International Relations course(s) at Exeter, who were surveyed six months after graduation:

Employment

- Civil Service Admin Officer, Department for Work and Pensions
- Banquet Coordinator, HRH Queen Elizabeth II, London and CIM Diploma

- Consultant, Michael Page Recruitment, Guildford
- Researcher to Member of Parliament, UK Parliament, London
- Tax Associate BAAS, Grant Thornton UK LLP, Bristol
- Regulatory Affairs Officer, Republic of Ireland
- Pricing Analyst, Axa, Tunbridge Wells
- Representation Coordinator, Exeter Students' Guild, Exeter

Further study

- MA Crisis Management, King's College London MA International Relations of the Middle East, University of Exeter
- MA Human Rights Law, School of Oriental and African Studies
- Graduate Diploma of Law
- MA Multimedia Journalism, Bournemouth University
- MSc IT Consultancy, University of Kent

What next?

Find out how you can use this information in your career planning and job hunting by using **Employability and Graduate Development**. Services include: free workshops (including writing CVs, application forms, psychometric testing, interview skills); training (including negotiation skills, commercial awareness, running your own business); one-to-one appointments with a Careers Consultant; occupational and employer information; careers fairs; employer presentations; job vacancies; and much more.

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