

# POLITICAL SCIENCE

---

The Political Science Department facilitates the success of general education students and political science majors by offering lower-division courses in each of the sub-fields: American government, international relations, comparative politics, public law, and political theory. Political Science classes emphasize the importance of an informed citizenry, seek to instill the ability to analyze political phenomena in a critical way, and develop the communication skills to convey those analyses to others.

## Department Contact Information

Patrick Coaty, Ph.D.  
pcoaty@occ.cccd.edu

Rendell Drew, Ed.D.  
rdrew@occ.cccd.edu

Vesna Marcina, Ph.D.  
vmarcina@occ.cccd.edu

Political Science Department Website (<https://orangeoastcollege.edu/academics/social-behavioral/political-science/>)

- Political Science, Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer (AA-T) (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/pathways/social-science-humanities/political-science/political-science-associate-arts-degree-transfer-aat/>)