

A CLOSER LOOK

BA Government and Public Service



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
UA South

Government and Public Service

The Bachelor of Science Degree in Government and Public Service is a unique University of Arizona South degree. It will prepare you for a variety of careers in federal, state, and local governments, business, law enforcement, international organizations, nonprofit organizations, journalism and other professions. Classes cover a variety of subjects which develop useful skills like how to speak, write, and argue effectively. Additionally, Government and Public Service coursework teaches how to research efficiently and effectively, analyze data accurately, think critically about implications, and draw conclusions that will lead to new knowledge as well as practical solutions for the modern world.

What are the requirements to enter the program?

Because this is a transfer degree program, there are specific entrance requirements you must meet prior to admission to the program:

- Completion of 60 or more transferable credits from a regionally accredited institution
- Official or unofficial transcripts from all schools you have attended (UA South advisor will review these with you)
- A minimum 2.0 GPA in your transferable coursework
- Completion of lower division major and minor requirements and any prerequisite classes.

Please contact us if you have any questions and to receive a pretransfer review of your previously taken coursework to ensure your eligibility and readiness for the program.

Fast Facts

How many UA South students stay in their local community? 90 %

Where is this program offered?

Our BA in Government and Public Service program is offered in Pima County and Sierra Vista.

When are classes offered? To meet the demands of working students, classes are scheduled during late afternoon and evening, one or two days per week. Some courses are available online and/or in a hybrid format with both online and face-to-face meetings.

Sample courses in the program

GPSV 442- International Law- The international system; legal-political problems, including territory, environment, seas.

GPSV 444- Comparative Political Revolution -Examination of the causes and consequences of 20th-century revolutions and the revolutionary process, with emphasis on contemporary events.

GPSV 471- National Security and Intelligence – Overview of the role of intelligence in the formulations and executions of US national security policy. Will include a detailed look at challenges facing both the analysis of intelligence information and the introduction of that analysis into the national security policy process. Will also entail close reading and discussion of selected declassified intelligence documents.

About Faculty

Dr. Todd Lutes is an Associate Professor in Political Science and the Program Director for the Government and Public Service program. Dr. Lutes obtained his BA Political Science/International Studies at Texas Lutheran University and his MA/PhD Political Science – Political Thought/Philosophy at The University of Arizona. His Research interests are Political Philosophy and Mexico/ Latin America.



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Questions?

For more information, reach out to a UAS representative. You can find one in your area by visiting our website at:

[http:// www.uas.arizona.edu](http://www.uas.arizona.edu)

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Government, Law and Justice Emphasis

Focus on United States law, law enforcement and the justice system. American judicial process and constitutional law are emphasized in core courses, international law, political and constitutional philosophy, national security and intelligence.

Sample Employers

- Law Enforcement
- Research Institutions
- Public Administration
- National and Public Safety

Potential Career Areas

- Law Enforcement Agencies
- Immigration Consulting Firms
- International and National Nonprofit Organizations
- Government Agencies

Job Title with Salary Range

Political Party Staffer	\$30,000 - \$150,000
Government Reform Activist	\$30,000 - \$55,000
Immigration and Customs Inspectors	\$39,700 - \$71,800
Media Relations and Public Relations Specialists	\$30,900 - \$53,200

Sources of Information: United States Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics (2011)

General Emphasis

Vocations within government are an obvious possibility, and understanding how government works can be an important credential in domestic and international business firms, non-profit organizations, journalism or even pre-collegiate education.

Sample Employers

- Political Parties and Organizations
- Political Service Providers and Lobbying Firms
- Social Advocacy Organizations
- U.S. Military

Potential Career Areas

- Communications and Public Relations
- Editorial\ Media
- Data Management and Analysts
- Community and Social Service

Job Title with Salary Range

Legislative Assistant	\$30,000 - \$45,000
Town/City Manager	\$50,000 - \$170,000
Press Secretary	\$28,000 - \$100,000
Policy Analyst	\$38,824 - \$45,699

Sources of Information: United States Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics (2011)

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Intelligence and National Security Emphasis

Focus on the historical and political context of American Intelligence agencies while providing an understanding of world regions critical to national and international intelligence communities.

Sample Employers

- International Nonprofit Advocacy Organizations
- U.S. Military
- Federal, State, and Local Prisons
- Intelligence Agencies

Potential Career Areas

- Customs and Border Security
- Information and Data Analysis
- Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Infrastructure Protection

Job Title with Salary Range

Intelligence Analyst	\$39,700 - \$71,800
Law Enforcement and Security Officer	\$40,365 - \$55,725
Police Officer and Sheriff	\$32,100 - \$54,200
DEA Special Agent	\$31,000 - \$70,000

Sources of Information: United States Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics (2011)

International Security Emphasis

The knowledge of international law and affairs, American foreign policy, political revolution, regional politics and security, Mexican government and politics, and border security, with a concentration in International Security, provides graduates a solid career foundation.

Sample Employers

- International Business and Development Firms
- Intergovernmental Organizations
- International Non-Profit Advocacy Organizations
- U.S. Military

Potential Career Areas

- International Business
- Foreign Service
- Consulting and Advising
- Inspection and Security Administration

Job Title with Salary Range

International Relations Officer	\$24,680 - \$86,750
Border Patrol Search and Rescue Agent	\$35,000 - \$120,000
Customs and Border Protection Officer	\$24,677 - \$58,811
Security Consultant	\$37,000 - \$124,000

Sources of Information: United States Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics (2011)