



CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS, & THE PUBLIC MAJORS

SKILLS & ABILITIES OF THE PPP MAJOR

Skills

- Conflict Resolution
- Critical Thinking
- Ethical Reasoning
- Historical Analysis
- Political Analysis
- Active Listening
- Social Perceptiveness
- Problem Sensitivity
- Coordination
- Time Management
- Complex Problem Solving
- Judgment and Decision-Making

Knowledge

- Public Policy
- Philosophical Concepts
- Historical Context
- Cultural Diversity

- Governmental Organization / Structure
- Geography
- Sociology
- Psychology
- Economics (Fiscal Policy)
- Foreign Language
- Interdisciplinary Studies

Abilities

- Written / Oral Communication (Reports)
- Deductive Reasoning– Apply general rules to specific problems
- Inductive Reasoning– Utilize specific details to form general rules
- Networking– Form strong interpersonal Relationships
- Close Attention to Detail
- Obtain Updated Information
- Issue Advocacy

POTENTIAL CAREERS

PPP Related Careers

- Congressional Staffer
- Public Administrator
- Humanitarian Relief Worker
- Teach For America Educator
- Diplomat
- Foreign Service Officer
- Intelligence Specialist
- Journalist
- Language Specialist
- Public Policy Activist

- Political Campaign Coordinator
- Public Satire Comedian

PPP Careers Requiring Advanced Degrees

- Lawyer
- Political Science / International Studies
- Professor
- Philosophy Professor
- Mathematics Professor
- Public Policy Researcher

TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

- State/Federal Government
- Special Interest Groups
- Foreign Services
- Law Enforcement
- Military
- Law Firms
- Corporations
- Universities
- Political Parties
- Professional Associations
- Print and Electronic Media
- Nonprofit Organizations

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Foreign Service of the Department of State <http://www.state.gov>
- Federal Government Employment Opportunities, <https://www.usajobs.gov/>
- United Nations,
- World Trade Organization, <http://www.un.org/>
- Peace Corps Employment Center, <http://www.peacecorps.gov/>
- Teach For America, www.teachforamerica.org
- Pre-law Resources, <http://www.nalp.org/prelaw>
- Partnership for Public Service, <http://ourpublicservice.org>
- Public Service Network, <http://www.pse-net.com/>
- US Department of Justice, <https://www.justice.gov/oarm>

*Sources: The College Majors Handbook (Fogg, Harrington, & Harrington, 2012), The University of Tennessee Career Services, O*Net, and the Xavier University PPP Honors Program website*