

Political Economy



Political Economy at Carleton is unique and has an excellent reputation within Canada and internationally.

The Institute of Political Economy applies diverse critical political economy analysis to contemporary Canadian and global issues, including finance and financialization, migration and borders, environmental justice, race and racism, gender and sexuality, colonialism, violence, Indigenous movements, community participation and social transformation.

We offer three research-based degrees that provide students with opportunities to research significant world issues from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students can define their own research topics under the supervision of recognized Carleton experts.

Our master's **placement course** allows students to network with government and non-governmental institutions, policy-makers, researchers, and community-based organizations. Furthermore, students gain practical and on-site work

experience, which helps them transition to the workplace.

The interdisciplinary nature of the Master of Arts (MA) in Political Economy exposes our students to the core concepts of political economy and helps them develop individual areas of research concentration. Specializations in African Studies, and Latin American and Caribbean Studies, as well as a concentration in Work and Labour are also available.

The collaborative PhD with a specialization in Political Economy is especially designed for Carleton doctoral students in the following participating programs who wish to enrich their PhD degrees by focusing on this subject area: Anthropology, Canadian Studies, Communication, Geography, History, Legal Studies, Political Science, Public Policy and Administration, Social Work and Sociology.

Degrees Offered

MA, PhD (Collaborative)

Career Options

Our graduates are pursuing successful careers in governmental and non-governmental organizations, development agencies, trade unions and policy institutes. Alumni of our master's program have also gone on to do doctoral work at universities located around the world.

Fall Application Deadline

February 1, to be eligible for funding

Admission Requirements

MASTER'S: A four-year bachelor's degree (or equivalent) with at least a B+ average in a relevant discipline.

PhD: Students who are enrolled in a doctoral program in one of the collaborating units may apply to the Institute of Political Economy for admission to the collaborative PhD program. Admission is determined by a program committee and takes place following admission into a participating PhD program.