



# DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT

## DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

The Department of Government was created in The University of the West Indies fifty years ago. The Department of Government has a rich history of research, teaching, leadership, scholarship, public service, mentorship and student achievement. It represents a broad and changing spectrum of innovative interests, backgrounds, and approaches that will appeal your interests while offering the possibility of several career options. The Department of Government fully participates in the University's mission of "To advance education and create knowledge through excellence in teaching, research, innovation, public service, intellectual leadership and outreach in order to support the inclusive (social, economic, political, cultural, environmental) development of the Caribbean region and beyond" UWI Strategic Plan 2012-2017.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

English Language is compulsory for admission to all programmes. The English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT) is used to assess whether persons applying to pursue undergraduate degree programmes at the UWI, Mona Campus possess a satisfactory level of writing and reading proficiency in English for university academic purposes. The results of applicants who pass the test will remain valid for a period of five (5) years. For more information on test registration and exemption from sitting ELPT visit our Faculty website



## ENTRY

### REQUIREMENT:

**FULL TIME** (3 YEARS)



Applicants must satisfy the requirements in (a) or (b) or (c) below:

(a) Five (5) CXC/CSEC (General Proficiency Grades I-III from June 1998) or GCE/ BGCSE O'Level (Grades A-C) with compulsory subjects: Mathematics and English Language in addition to two (2) CAPE subjects (Units 1 and 2) or GCE/BGCSE A' Level passes in a minimum of two (2) subjects; or

(b) An Associate degree, Diploma and/or Certificate from other approved tertiary institutions having attained a B+ average or a minimum GPA of 2.5; or

(c) High School Grade 12 transcript with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and a minimum SAT I score of 1700 plus a minimum of two (2) SAT II subjects at a score of 500 or above or successful completion of Advanced Placement Courses or the International Baccalaureate programme.

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### REQUIREMENT:

**PART TIME** (4 YEARS)

Applicants must satisfy the requirements in (a) or (b) or (c) below:

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## DEGREES OFFERED

BSc International Relations  
BSc Political Science  
BSc Political Leadership, Strategy & Management  
BSc Politics and International Cooperation  
BSc Public Policy & Management

## CAREER AREAS

Diplomatic Officer  
International Relations Expert  
Pollster  
Political Scientist  
Public Administrator  
Trade Negotiator  
Foreign Policy and Trade Analyst  
International Lawyer



## TESTIMONIAL

“The Department of Government provides an excellent career pathway and academic tutelage for students who are planning to have a career in politics, research and public policy. The courses are designed to both intrigue and develop student’s critical thinking, research and presentation skills. I have had the opportunity to work with some of the most brilliant lecturers on campus that has assisted me in my academic pursuits. The lecturers are always willing to help students whether by providing encouragement or academic support. The Department has been instrumental in motivating me to pursue further studies in government and governance as a means of aiding in the national development of Jamaica.”

*Dedan Tyndale*

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