



# Exploratory Tracks, Affiliated Majors, and Possible Careers



## Government, Public Policy & Justice

**Overview:** If there is a keyword in this track, it's probably "justice." The majors listed here may lead to careers in social justice through work with humanitarian and human welfare organizations or our national system of justice through the government through legislative or judicial channels. People interested in this track will have a keen curiosity about how the various elements of our society fit together, work together, and sometime pull apart.

**Possible Characteristics:** *(It's likely that not all of these characteristics will apply to you, but if a majority describe your skills and interests, this track may be a good match for you.)*

Ability to see the impacts of issues from both very local and global perspectives

Interest in human culture and how individuals interact to create successful societies

Understanding that societal problems are not solved with black-and-white solutions, but that most societal issues are deeply systemic and require consideration of many factors

Interest in a variety of cultural influences and curiosity to learn more about other cultures and their specific characteristics and contributions to society

Strong belief in social justice for all members of society regardless of perceived or real power within a system

Majors at UW	Corresponding Careers
African American & Diaspora Studies	librarian/informational technology specialist, higher education administrator, student support services/student affairs specialist, multicultural programmer, counselor, therapist, vocational trainer, crisis service provider, community relations and outreach coordinator, fundraiser, program developer, case manager, advocate,

	policy developer, program administrator, volunteer coordinator, human resources specialist, equity and diversity officer, multicultural consultant, political staffer, instructor, researcher
American Indian Studies	librarian/informational technology specialist, higher education administrator, student support services/student affairs specialist, multicultural programmer, counselor, therapist, vocational trainer, crisis service provider, community relations and outreach coordinator, fundraiser, program developer, case manager, advocate, policy developer, program administrator, volunteer coordinator, human resources specialist, equity and diversity officer, multicultural consultant, political staffer, instructor, researcher
American Studies	librarian/informational technology specialist, alumni affairs representative, multicultural student programmer, museum curator, artifact/document restorer, collections manager, exhibit designer/installer, archive manager, art authenticator/appraiser, publications developer, docent/volunteer coordinator, public relations specialist, political campaign staffer, historical site interpreter/presenter, city/town management and planning, public policy specialist, community affairs representative, journalist, editor, photojournalist, filmmaker, public mediator, instructor, researcher
Communication	A degree in Communication is often combined with a minor or concentration to move toward a variety of careers in public administration.  <i>Here are a few examples:</i> legislative staffer, organizational spokesperson, communication director, pollster, legislative aide, program administrator, fundraiser, public relations director
Criminal Justice	corrections officer, probation officer, parole officer, juvenile justice officer, public safety/community awareness outreach and program developer, caseworker, prevention services provider, victim advocate, personal/corporate safety consultant, counselor, court reporter/transcriber, court clerk, legal researcher, legal assistance provider, paralegal, patrol officer, security officer, loss prevention

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	specialist, criminal investigator, private security provider, corporate security specialist/consultant, private investigator, internet security specialist, surveillance specialist, instructor/trainer
Economics	public/private/governmental economist, data analyst, financial risk analyst, actuarial analyst, chartered accountant, forensic accountant, financial controller, financial planner, economic researcher/consultant, market researcher
English	<p>An English major is often a gateway subject complementing other fields of study that may result in a wide variety of careers in government and public policy.</p> <p><i>Here are a few examples:</i> grant writer, legislator, legislative staffer, legal professional, attorney, policy writer, nongovernmental agency staffer, campaign strategist, pollster, politician</p>
World Languages: French, German, Spanish	<p>A degree in a world language can complement other major fields of study and may lead to a variety of careers in the arts, business, or technology.</p> <p><i>Following are some careers that blend world language study with other fields:</i>  translator/interpreter; language analyst, linguist, foreign national service (State department, for example); diplomat; immigration/naturalization service provider; language-specific service provider for law enforcement, the courts, nonprofits, government agencies, or nongovernmental agencies</p>
Gender & Women's Studies	corporate equity and diversity manager, human resources specialist, public relations specialist, women's healthcare specialist, counselor/therapist, case manager, social worker, community relations representative, nonprofit program manager/administrator, journalist, grant writer, policy analyst, instructor, researcher
History	librarian/informational technology specialist, archivist, records/collection manager, documentary editor, attorney, politician, political staffer, corporate historian, historic preservation specialist, historic site curator/interpreter/presenter, museum curator, exhibit designer/installer, collections manager, journalist, editor, instructor, researcher

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International Studies	Foreign Service officer (State Department), nonprofit officer, international banker, international business manager, Peace Corps volunteer, legislative assistant, cross-cultural trainer, humanitarian relief worker, public affairs coordinator, overseas English instructor, journalist, grant writer, teacher, professor, researcher, communications and public relations specialist, military officer, intelligence officer, trade analyst, attorney
Philosophy	attorney, medical services provider, legislative staffer, policy analyst, staffer for governmental and nongovernmental agencies, scientist, comedy writer
Political Science	Foreign Service officer (State Department), nonprofit officer, banker, business manager, humanitarian relief worker, public affairs coordinator, journalist, grant writer, teacher, professor, researcher, communications and public relations specialist, military officer, intelligence officer, trade analyst, analyst/staffer/adviser for public/governmental/nongovernmental entities, lobbyist, city planner, public information officer, legislative staffer, politician/legislator, political campaign manager, attorney, social media manager, political consultant, marketing research analyst, college student leadership and activities officer
Religious Studies	journalism, government/nongovernmental organization aide/staffer, foreign service officer, diplomat, counselor, social worker, legal aide, medical services provider, historical or cultural site interpreter/curator/presenter, international business manager, clergy member, author, instructor, researcher
Secondary Education: Social Studies Education	history teacher, geography teacher, political science teacher
Sociology	social worker in nonprofit, healthcare, or public agency setting; urban planner; childcare provider; community advocate; substance abuse educator; rehab counselor; case manager; recreation specialist; eldercare provider; juvenile justice representative; probation and parole administrator/officer; attorney; paralegal; law enforcement officer; instructor; researcher

Social Work	social worker specializing in a variety of areas, including, roster care/adoption specialist; child, youth and elderly residential care; community mental health centers; psychiatric and day treatment hospitals; employee assistance programs; schools and universities; jails and prisons; family service agencies; the court system; police departments; probation offices; victim services agencies; advocacy organizations; community centers; state, local, and federal government entities and agencies; community associations; substance abuse treatment programs and residential facilities/clinics; domestic violence agencies; women/children shelters; labor unions; residential facilities for persons with disabilities; medical facilities; veteran's agencies; homeless agencies; Hospice
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