

Department of Political Studies
Teaching Fellow Positions Available 2026-2027 Academic Year
Queen's University, Kingston, ON CAN K7L 3N6

The Department of Political Studies at Queen's University invites applications from suitably qualified full-time graduate students at Queen's University interested in teaching an undergraduate course during the 2026/2027 academic year. Fall term appointments are for the period of September 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026, with classes in session from September 8, 2026, to December 8, 2026. Winter term appointments are for the period of January 1, 2027, to April 30, 2027, with classes in session from January 4, 2027, to April 5, 2027.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals who display in-depth knowledge and experience in teaching in the field of political studies. This includes demonstrated interpersonal and teaching skills, including the ability to collaborate and work with faculty members, staff, and students with diverse backgrounds. Graduate Teaching Fellows are the instructors of record for the course and carry full responsibility. Duties include planning, preparing class materials, teaching, meeting with and/or responding to student queries, grading assignments, and reporting grades. Graduate Teaching Fellows are expected to comply with all Queen's University policies.

Candidates must be enrolled as a Ph.D. student at Queen's University and have completed their comprehensive examinations.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen's University is committed to employment, diversity and inclusion in the workplace and encourages applications from Black, racialized/visible minority and Indigenous/Aboriginal people, women, persons with disabilities, and 2SLGBTQ+ persons.

The University will provide support in its recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant's accessibility needs. If you require accommodation during this process, please contact: Barbra Lalonde at 613-533-3443.

Graduate Teachings Assistants and Teaching Fellows at Queen's University are governed by the [Collective Agreement](#) for Teaching Assistants and Teaching Fellows between PSAC Local 901 and Queen's University.

Remuneration will be in accordance with the Collective Agreement, and appointments are subject to funding and enrolment criteria.

Applications must include:

- a cover letter;
- a complete and current curriculum vitae;
- a one-page course outline;
- endorsement from academic supervisor (email correspondence is acceptable);
- unofficial copies of graduate-level academic transcripts; and
- any other relevant materials the candidate wishes to submit for consideration such as a teaching dossier, and/or student evaluations.

Applicants are required to indicate their Preference Group (if applicable) as outlined in Article 12.08 in Collective Agreement for Teaching Assistants and Teaching Fellows between PSAC Local 901 and Queen's University within their cover letter.

Please address application to Dr. Jonathan Rose, Department Head, Department of Political Studies and submit directly to:

Barbra Lalonde, Hub 1 Manager
Queen's University
Kingston, ON K7L 3N9
Email: hub1-hr@queensu.ca

Applications will be received until Wednesday May 13, 2026. Review of applications will commence shortly thereafter, and the final appointment is subject to budgetary approval. Additional information about the [Department of Political Studies can be found on their website.](#)

Please review course descriptions, term and enrollment capacities below. Course descriptions are also available within the [Academic Calendar](#).

Course	Title	Term
POLS 405	International Relations: Questions and Challenges	Winter
	Issues in global politics, international relations, international diplomacy, or foreign policy will be examined in this course. The focus of this course will vary from year to year.	
POLS 406	Comparative Politics: Questions and Challenges	Winter
	A comparative examination of the politics and government of different countries, theories or themes in comparative politics. The focus of this course will vary from year to year.	
POLS 498	Topics in Political Studies	Winter
	The focus of this course will vary from year to year; consult the departmental website for further details.	
POLS 590	Thesis*	Fall/ Winter
	The thesis is optional and counts as one course toward an honours concentration in Political Studies. The thesis subject must be selected at the end of the penultimate year after consultation with members of the Department, and the thesis must be submitted by 31 March of the final year. * The POLS 590 teaching fellow works in conjunction with the POLS Undergraduate Chair.	

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