Graduate School of **Political Science**



SCHOOL PROFILE

• SUBFIELDS

- Political Methodology and Political Analysis
- Political Thought and Political History
- Comparative Politics
- International Relations

METHODOLOGY

Each of the four subfields of political science that structure the Graduate School of Political Science (GSPS) encompasses a range of research interests. Even so, our graduate program promotes an approach to research that cuts across these different fields of specialization and transcends existing frameworks. To enable students to utilize this approach and develop the requisite research capabilities, we strongly emphasize a multifaceted methodology for studying political science.

This multifaceted methodology comprises

- (1) <u>empirical analysis</u> (such as research design and statistics)
- (2) <u>mathematical analysis</u> (such as game theory and formal modeling)
- (3) <u>normative analysis</u> (involving the study of politics from a diverse array of value systems).

The methodology courses at the GSPS provide a foundation in each of these elements that is in line with international standards. Because the analytical approaches used in political science are constantly evolving, the methodologies taught in these courses also continue to change through a process of enhancement and diversification.



Our Faculty



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