Political Science

MEET MALLERIE

Mallerie is majoring in Political Science through Penn State World Campus.

Mallerie believed from a young age that she would be involved in politics someday. A high school internship as a page convinced her not to wait. She was elected to the Montana House of Representatives at 19, becoming the youngest woman ever to hold the position.

“I met a lot of people who told me ‘you’re smart, you’re interested, you should do this.’ I saw the need for young women in the legislature, and I found out there was an open seat, so at 17 years old, I just decided to go for it.”

Mallerie hopes to attend law school and perhaps make a career out of serving in politics. Her high school graduation cap read “Mallerie for President 2040.”

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Unique Learning Opportunities
- The Washington Program enables students to complete coursework and an internship simultaneously while living in Washington, D.C. for a semester. Internship placements have included CNN, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the American Civil Liberties Union.
- Coursework in American politics, international relations, comparative politics, political economy, law and courts, and political theory

Out-of-Classroom Experiences
- Cutting-edge research with faculty
- Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society
- Alumni mentor program specifically for Political Science students and alumni

Multiple Pathways
- Bachelor of arts and bachelor of science
- Complete a bachelor of arts and a master of international affairs in five years through the integrated undergraduate-graduate program (IUG) with the School of International Affairs.

Internships and Career Paths
- Federal, state, or local government
- Campaign managers and strategists, pollsters, lobbyists, and speech writers
- Business/entrepreneurship
- Finance
- Journalism
- Activism for social change
- Law and justice
- Policy analyst

Education Abroad
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