



Volume 5 of *Paideia* sets out to recognize the excellent work of Political Science students' in their academic and professional work. The collection of student-authored papers features topics that reflect the diversity of the department and students' knowledge, experiences, and intellectual curiosities. Meanwhile, alumni spotlights highlight the plethora of career paths – domestic and international – present students can pursue.

This year, *Paideia* continues its missions by featuring work that intersects disciplines across liberal arts and STEM with political science. It is our goal to inspire discourse among all disciplines on existing and emerging issues, to inspire development with societal considerations, and to challenge conventional notions about how the world operates in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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The *Paideia* team and I are delighted to serve Cal Poly San Luis Obispo's Political Science Department, and we invite you to read *Paideia: Volume 5*.

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