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## Meet Your Departmental Student Advisor!

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**Hometown:** East Lansing, MI

**Major:** Political Science

**Minor:** Anthropology & Sociology

**Concentration:** Public Policy & Urban Affairs

**Study Abroad:** Costa Rica

**Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** The top 5 are Coffee, Moose Tracks, Green Tea, Strawberry, Dulce de Leche

**Best Adjective to Describe You:** Awesome

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### **In 10 words or less, why should someone want to be a part of this department?**

It's relevant, current, and has real-time, real-world impact.

### **When did you know you wanted to study this area? What pathway led you to this department?**

It is a really great tie-in to my other two areas of study.

### **What is the best way to get (and stay) connected to this department?**

Talk to Public Policy and Urban Affairs students as well as professors who teach classes that are related to the department. There are professors along a wide range of subjects that teach things applicable to Public Policy and Urban Affairs.

### **What would you miss the most if you were no longer a part of this department?**

The opportunity to relate Political Science and ANSO in a way that is constantly fascinating to me... and the lengthy degree title.

### **What are your career aspirations/next steps after K?**

It will be a big election year the year we graduate so I plan to work on campaigns until election day but then.... who knows?

### **What has been the biggest surprise you have encountered at K?**

One time a squirrel jumped out of a trashcan and almost landed in my bag. It was seriously like an inch away.

### **How does your department connect to your other interests and activities?**

It brings together the things I am most interested in about Political Science and ANSO, and is a great way to understand the operation of the two disciplines in daily life.

### **What has been your favorite class at K? Why?**

Constitutional Law. It is a really interesting way at looking at how things get done in our country and the role the court has, as well as looking at a spectrum of issues that we are still currently grappling with.

### **What is your SIP?**

My SIP is a look inside the Tea Party movement.

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