

My Ball State Story: Ted Combs



Starting a Master's in Political Science from a background in the arts was highly intimidating for me. However, BSU's faculty made me feel welcome and encouraged me to incorporate my background and interests into my coursework and research. Throughout this process I found I am passionate about Comparative LGBTQ Politics. Even though the first year there were no faculty related to that field, I was encouraged to pursue this avenue of research and supported in this pursuit. During my second year Ball State had gained faculty within Minority Politics providing a stronger support network. By the time I graduated I had presented at multiple conferences and am now pursuing my PhD at Arizona State University. I feel that without my time at BSU I would have been unprepared for my PhD program and I know I wouldn't have been admitted to nearly as good of a program.