

# Adnan Perwez

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### Triple Major: Religious Studies, History, Political Science

I was a triple major while attending UCD. Majoring in Religious Studies, History and Political Science. I've been in grad school, and now law school. Did my MTS at Harvard, and doing my JD at Berkeley Law. My particular focus is civil rights work, with a general interest in liberation theology & faith-based activism. The RST department collectively is one the most passionate, brilliant faculty departments I've been able to engage with. They're committed to their students, and think deeply and critically about their respective topics. RST, and in specific the small upper level seminars, were some of the meatiest intellectual engagement I've had in my undergrad. RST isn't seen as an immediately 'obvious' track to an incoming undergrad, compared to a field like Political Science or Psychology. But due to the endless array of perspectives you can bring to the field, I think any student looking for an insightful, eclectic, rich, and creative intellectual experience in their major should look into RST. Get to know your professors. Ask them questions, advice, thoughts, debates in office hours. Take small seminars when you're able to. Ask to sit in graduate seminars. Grab coffee with the PhD students. Attend the talks. The university space is one of the last places your mind will ever be stretched to the limit. In many ways, the intellectual molding and growth you do (or do not) have here will shape the rest of your life. Take advantage of this time and this space. The more you give to it, the more it will give back to you.