

**SciencesPo.**

Exchange programme

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Academic Year

2015-16

Autumn Semester : 4 months (September to December)

Spring Semester : 4 months (January to May)

Vacation periods : Summer : approximately 3 months (from June to August)

Christmas break

1 one-week break each semester

Welcome Programme :

First Semester : August 21st to August 28th 2015

Second Semester : January 16th to January 22^d 2016

Classes begin / end :

First Semester : August 31st to December 18^h 2015 (including exam period)

Second Semester : January 23rd to May 21st 2016 (including exam period)

Application Procedure

Students who wish to study at Sciences Po as an exchange student must first of all be selected by their home university. Partner universities will be contacted by Sciences Po and asked to nominate their students online. Students are then required to complete their online application before the indicated deadline and attach the required supporting documents: CV, motivational letter, ID photo, university grade transcripts and evidence of French/English language levels (if applicable).

Application Deadline

Online nominations and applications for the Autumn semester: **from mid-March to end of April**
Online nominations and applications for the Spring semester: **from beginning of September until mid-October**

Eligibility

Students from Sciences Po's partner universities can study at Sciences Po as part of an exchange programme at the **undergraduate** or **graduate** level.

- **Undergraduate students** must have completed at least four semesters of undergraduate studies in order to be eligible for the undergraduate exchange programme.

- **Graduate students** must have obtained a Bachelor's degree or have completed at least six semesters of undergraduate studies in order to be eligible for the graduate exchange programme.

Academic System

Undergraduate exchange students can earn **30 ECTS credits** maximum per semester.

Graduate exchange students can earn **30 ECTS credits** per semester.

Academic Programme

Undergraduate students. Courses at Sciences Po at the **undergraduate level** cover six academic disciplines: Economics, History, Humanities, International Relations, Law and Political Science. **The 7 campuses of the undergraduate college are open** to exchange students : <http://college.sciences-po.fr/en/node/23>

Students are highly encouraged to take a French language class. Students wishing to take a language class in another foreign language must have previously studied the language.

There are no imposed majors or degree programmes specifically associated with exchange students. Therefore, incoming students can enroll in any of the numerous classes offered at Sciences Po, according to their personal interests and their home university's requirements.

Graduate students. Please be aware that **graduate exchange students** must be attached to a specific Masters programme and may not take courses in different Masters programmes. Some graduate courses are not open to exchange students and some others may demand academic or language prerequisites.

Language of Instruction

Undergraduate and graduate exchange students can take courses taught in French, in English or in a mixture of both French and English.

Language courses: <http://formation.sciences-po.fr/en/contenu/niveaux-langues>

Language requirements

All exchange students whose language of instruction in their home university is neither French nor English are required to provide evidence of an official test in either French or in English for admission to Sciences Po's exchange programme.

French language requirements for undergraduate exchange students

TCF minimum score 400 or DELF/DALF minimum score B2

English language requirements for undergraduate exchange students

IELTS minimum score 6 or TOEFL minimum score 87 or Cambridge First Certificate (FCE) B minimum, or Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) C minimum or Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) minimum Pass C

French language requirements for graduate exchange students

TCF minimum score 500 or DELF/DALF minimum score C1

English language requirements for graduate exchange students

IELTS minimum score 6,5 or TOEFL minimum score 100 or Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) C minimum or Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) minimum Pass C

The language self-assessment system will still exist in certain cases. Please consult our website for [further information and to see a list of exemptions](#)

Contacts

For further information, please contact Sciences Po's International Affairs Division at

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