

Exchange Programme

SciencesPo

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Academic Calendar 2023-2024

SEMESTER 1

WELCOME PROGRAMME
28 August - 2 September 2023

CLASSES INCLUDING EXAMS
2 September - 21 December 2023*

SEMESTER 2

WELCOME PROGRAMME
15 - 20 January 2024

CLASSES INCLUDING EXAMS
20 January 2024 - 24 May 2024*

***Students are required to be present at Sciences Po until the last day of exams per the published academic calendar**

VACATION

SUMMER BREAK

June - August

INTER-SEMESTER

One-week break each semester

www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/handbook/calendars.html



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■ Application Procedure

Students who wish to study on exchange at Sciences Po must be nominated to do so by their home university. Upon nomination, students will be invited to complete an online application and to transmit required supporting documentation (CV, personal statement, photo ID, university transcripts, and French and/or English language test results). Application dates are indicated to students in the email they will receive.

■ Application Deadline

Online nominations by the partner and submission of the applications by the students:

- for the Autumn semester:
online nomination by the partner : **7 to 31 March 2023** and submission of the applications by the students : **until 4 April 2023.**
- for the Spring semester:
online nomination by the partner: **26 September to 6 October 2023** and submission of the applications by the students: **until 10 October 2023.**

■ Eligibility

Both the undergraduate and graduate programmes at Sciences Po welcome exchange students.

- **Undergraduate exchange:**
students having completed 4 or more semesters of undergraduate study.
- **Graduate exchange:**
students with a Bachelor's degree, or 6 semesters or more of undergraduate study.

Academic Programme

Exchange students may register for between **5 ECTS** credits (minimum) and **30 ECTS** credits (maximum) per semester. Students can attempt up to **60 ECTS** credits per academic year.

Undergraduate students

A Certificate of Studies in Social Sciences and Humanities is available for undergraduate exchange students. This certificate gives students an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of the humanities and social sciences within a core, multidisciplinary curriculum in the disciplines taught at Sciences Po (Political science, Law, History, Economics, Sociology, Humanities), either in French or in English. It also enables students to study a foreign language.

In addition to the certificate, students may select a regional specialization if they apply for a campus outside Paris. They may study the geographical minors:

- European Union, Central and Eastern Europe
- Asia-Pacific
- Mediterranean and Middle East
- European Union, Franco-German partnership
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- North America
- Africa

To be awarded, the certificate requires exchange students to validate a minimum of 45 ECTS credits in an academic year and 20 ECTS credits in a semester (with a maximum of 60 ECTS credits in a year and/or 30 ECTS credits in a semester). They must take two core courses in one or two disciplines or a lecture course combined with a discussion section to satisfy the certificate's requirements.

Changes for the 2023/2024 admission procedure to the exchange programme: Please note that for the 2023/2024 academic year, students will now have the opportunity to:

- Indicate two campuses to be considered for (although it will remain possible to indicate only

- one campus of preference, as is the current format)
- Choose 1 or 2 academic disciplines of study
- Select either a French or an English programme on the Paris campus, given that the bilingual one is no longer offered

Please also note that proof of a minimum of C1 level in English is now required for the English-speaking programmes.

Graduate students

Exchange students in our graduate programmes must be attached to a specific Masters programme and are restricted to classes in that programme only. Not all graduate courses are open to exchange students, and some may impose academic or linguistic prerequisites.



Academic Rules and Regulations

Students are invited to read the **Academic Rules and Regulations** and to familiarize themselves with Sciences Po's attendance policy.

Language of instruction

Undergraduate and graduate exchange students may study exclusively in French or English, or in both languages simultaneously for those programmes offering this option. Students can also follow language classes (Foreign language charters: www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)

Language requirements

Exchange students must provide documented justification of their level in studies while at Sciences Po (French and/or English). Exceptions can be made for students for whom the mother tongue is French or English.

French language requirements - minimum scores required: Undergraduate studies: TCF 400 or DELF/DALF B2. Graduate studies: TCF 500 or DELF/DALF C1.

English language requirements - minimum scores required: Undergraduate and Graduate studies: IELTS 7, TOEFL/TOEFL IBT Home Edition 100, Cambridge tests C1: (Cambridge English First, CAE and CPE).

Contacts

Please do not hesitate to contact the Sciences Po Student Exchanges Team at: candidature.exchange@sciencespo.fr or consult the International Affairs Department website: www.sciencespo.fr/international/en

Accommodation, Visa procedures and Health center

The Sciences Po Students website lists all the relevant information about the first steps and the contacts on campus for incoming students, especially regarding accommodation, Visa procedures and the health center. For students who have a temporary or permanent disability or disabling health condition, our disability support service is available to offer specific adjustments. www.sciencespo.fr/students/en.html