### Academic Year 2021-2022

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<th>Two twelve-week semesters:</th>
<th>Welcome Programme:</th>
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<td>2021-2022</td>
<td>Fall Semester: 4 months (September to December)</td>
<td>First Semester: 23-28 August 2021</td>
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<td>Spring Semester: 4 months (January to May)</td>
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<td>Summer break: June - August</td>
<td>First Semester: 30 August 2021 - 17 December 2021*</td>
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<td>Inter-semester</td>
<td>Second Semester: 22 January 2022 - 25 May 2022*</td>
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<td>One-week break each semester</td>
<td>*including exam sessions. <strong>Students are required to be present at Sciences Po until the last day of exams per the published academic calendar</strong></td>
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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 universities.** 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 clearly indicated to students via the application to be completed.

### Application Deadline

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

- **Autumn semester**: 2 March to 2 April 2021 (nomination) and to 6 April 2021 (submission)
- **Spring semester**: 5 to 15 October 2021 (nomination) and to 19 October 2021 (submission)

### 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**

Undergraduate courses are offered in six disciplines: Economics, History, Law, Political Humanities, Sociology, and Political Science (including International Relations). All 7 undergraduate campuses welcome exchange students: [https://www.sciencespo.fr/college/en](https://www.sciencespo.fr/college/en)

While students may enroll in nearly all classes offered by the College, they must be attentive to any pre-requisites indicated as well as to the fact that we are unable to guarantee registration in any individual course. Nonetheless, we are able to guarantee the ability of a student to register for classes in the disciplinary “major” indicated in his or her exchange programme application.

All students are highly encouraged to take a French-language class. Those wishing to study another foreign language must have begun this language prior to arrival at Sciences Po.

**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.

### Language of instruction

Undergraduate and graduate exchange students may study uniquely in French or English, or in both languages simultaneously. (Foreign language charters: [https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters))

### Language requirements

Exchange students must provide documented justification of their level in each of the languages (French and/or English) in which they wish to study while at Sciences Po. Exceptions can be made for students for whom the language of instruction at their home universities is French or English.

**French language requirements for undergraduate exchange students**

- TCF minimum score 400 or DELF/DALF minimum score B2
- IELTS minimum score 6 or TOEFL minimum score 87 or Cambridge tests: Cambridge English First, Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) niveau C, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)

**English language requirements for graduate exchange students**

- TCF minimum score 500 or DELF/DALF minimum score C1
- IELTS minimum score 6,5 or TOEFL minimum score 100 or Cambridge tests: Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) niveau C, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)

Some students may be asked to self-assess their language level (see this [website](https://www.sciencespo.fr/international/en) for further information).

### Contacts

Please do not hesitate to contact the Sciences Po Student Exchanges Team at [candidature.echange@sciencespo.fr](mailto:candidature.echange@sciencespo.fr) or consult the International Affairs Department website: [https://www.sciencespo.fr/international/en](https://www.sciencespo.fr/international/en)