



Sorbonne University - Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Institutional information

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Sorbonne University was created on January 1st, 2018 from the merger of Paris-Sorbonne and Pierre and Marie Curie (UPMC) universities. As a public institution, it fulfils the public service calling of French higher education, research and innovation. Thus, Sorbonne University is composed of 3 faculties: The Faculty of Sciences, The faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Arts and Humanities.

The Faculty of Arts & Humanities at Sorbonne University is today the largest and most complete faculty in France, in the field of arts, languages, literature, social sciences and humanities. Committed to the transmission of a humanist culture, its pedagogical excellence is based on the recognized quality of its research to offer the most complete and innovative teaching.

Dates and deadlines for international students

The academic year at Sorbonne University begins in September and is divided into two semesters, with the first semester officially ending at the end of January and the second semester ending at the end of June:

- For the autumn term (first semester), the student nomination deadline is 15th April 2026 and the student registration deadline is 15th May 2026.
- For the spring term (second semester), the student nomination deadline is 15th September 2026 and the student application deadline is 13th October 2026.

For students coming from the United States, separate dates will be communicated to them.

Nomination information

Erasmus coordinators will receive a link to fill in the nomination form before the deadline indicated above.

A registration form will then need to be completed by the nominated student (indicate: surname, first name, date of birth and valid email address).

An application form will then need to be completed to finalise and validate the student's application.

The student will receive information on how to apply once their application has been confirmed by the Sorbonne University academic coordinator.

Application information

The student will have to fill in the online application form (the link will be sent directly to the nominated students).

No application will be accepted without all the required documents : the application form filled in, the ID card or passport, the student card of the home university or a proof of registration in the home university, the French language certificate B2 level minimum, an ID color photo (for the student card of Sorbonne University) and copy of health insurance.

Housing applications

The deadlines for applying for accommodation are the same as those indicated above (page 2). As accommodation options are limited for international students, we recommend that students seek private accommodation wherever possible. Students must apply for accommodation when they apply.

Course Catalogue

All courses offered by Sorbonne University can be found on the website, on either of the following links: <https://lettres.sorbonne-universite.fr/faculte-des-lettres/ufr>

The University has its departments divided in different UFRs, which is an abbreviation of Unité de Formation et de Recherche (Unit of Education and Research), which corresponds to the different departments of humanities and arts. Incoming Erasmus students must take at least 50% of their workload inside their main department. The rest of their workload can be made up of courses from other department.

Languages of Instruction

At Sorbonne University, most courses are taught in French, with the exception of certain language departments where courses are often taught in both the learned language and French. To prevent students from facing failure during their mobility, a French level is therefore required.

Sorbonne University accepts students with a B2 level of French, however, a C1 level is highly recommended for students that are not studying in a language department. Especially for those studying History, History of Art, Philosophy and Sociology, a good understanding of the French language is necessary. This is why we ask for a language certificate.

General Information

Please kindly remind your students applying for an Erasmus stay at our faculty, that there are no classes for only the Erasmus students.

Our incoming Erasmus+ students are in class with the French students and are treated as any other student.

The transcripts of records are sent by email to the home universities with the student in copy: mid-February for the first semester and in June/July for the second semester.

If the student stays the whole year, he/she will only receive one document at the end of the Academic Year, instead of at the end of each semester.

Academic grades and notation: At Sorbonne University, all our marks are out of 20. For information, Sorbonne University has one of the most difficult grading systems in France. It is important to note that a 10/20 is a good grade and that it stands for the passing grade. The credit part refers to the number of European credits the course provides. It is based on the 30 credits per semester system that French students must pass to validate one semester. It does not refer to the number of hours taken for one course.

When noted "ABI" (unjustified absence), it means that your student did not attend the course.

The local grade (/20) is the most relevant information you should consider to validate your students' semester/year at Sorbonne University.

Local grade out of 20	ECTS grade	Interpretation of grades
16 and more	A	Excellent
14-15	B	Very good
12-13	C	Good
11	D	Satisfactory
10	E	Sufficient
8-9	FX	Fail
0-7	F	Fail

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