Academic Year 2021-2022

WELCOME PROGRAMME:
First Semester: 23 - 28 August 2021
Second Semester: 17 - 22 January 2022

TWO TWELVE-WEEK SEMESTERS:
Classes begin/end:
First Semester: 30 August 2021 - 17 December 2021*
Second Semester: 22 January 2022 - 25 May 2022*

*including exam sessions. 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

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: 2 March to 2 April 2021 (nomination) and to 6 April 2021 (submission).
• for the 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:

www.sciencespo.fr/college/en

While students may enrol 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 exclusively in French or English, or in both languages simultaneously. (Foreign language charters: 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.

English language requirements for undergraduate exchange students:
IELTS minimum score 6 or TOEFL and TOEFL IBT Home Edition minimum score 87 or Cambridge tests: Cambridge English First, Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) level C, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE).

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 and TOEFL IBT Home Edition minimum score 100 or Cambridge tests: Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) niveau C, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE).

Contacts

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

Accommodation, Visa procedures and Health center

The website: Sciences Po Students gathers 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.

www.sciencespo.fr/students/en.html