Academic Calendar 2022-2023

SEMESTER 1
WELCOME PROGRAMME
22 - 26 August 2022
CLASSES INCLUDING EXAMS
29 August 2022 - 16 December 2022*

SEMESTER 2
WELCOME PROGRAMME
16 - 21 January 2023
CLASSES INCLUDING EXAMS
23 January 2023 - 26 May 2023*

*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

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: 8 March to 1 April 2022 and submission of the applications by the students: until 5 April 2022.
• for the Spring semester: online nomination by the partner: 4 to 14 October 2022 and submission of the applications by the students: until 18 October 2022

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

As of September 2022, three new certificates on all seven campuses of the Undergraduate College are available. “Economy & Society”, “Political Humanities”, “Politics & Government”.

These certificates give students an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of the humanities and social sciences within a core, multidisciplinary curriculum. They also enable students to study a foreign language. In addition to each certificate, students select a regional specialisation. They may study intra-European relations or Europe’s relations with:
- Africa
- The Asia Pacific region
- Latin America and the Caribbean
- The Middle East and the Mediterranean
- North America
- Central and Eastern Europe
- Western Europe and Franco-German relations

To be awarded, the certificates in “Economy & Societies”, “Political Humanities”, “Politics & Government”, require exchange students to validate a minimum of 40 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 one core course and one elective course from a selection provided.

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 studies while at Sciences Po (French and/or English). Exceptions can be made for students for whom the language of instruction at their home universities 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 studies: IELTS 6, TOEFL/TOEFL IBT Home Edition 87, Cambridge tests B2: (Cambridge English First, CAE and CPE).
Graduate studies: IELTS 6.5, TOEFL/TOEFL IBT Home Edition 100, Cambridge tests C1 (Cambridge CAE and 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 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. www.sciencespo.fr/students/en.html