# Exchange Programme

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### Academic Year 2019-2020

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**Vacation periods:**
- Summer break: June - August
- Inter-semester
- One-week break each semester

**Welcome Programme:**
- First Semester: 23 - 30 August 2019
- Second Semester: 17 - 24 January 2020

**Classes begin/end:**
- First Semester: 2 September 2019 - 21 December 2019
- Second Semester: 27 January 2020 - 30 May 2020

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

**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**

- For the Autumn semester: from 6 March 2019 - 2 May 2019
- For the Spring semester: from 11 September 2019 - 10 October 2019

**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))

**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
  - [TCF](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)

- **English language requirements for undergraduate exchange students**
  - IELTS minimum score 6 or TOEFL minimum score 87 or Cambridge tests
  - Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) niveau C, Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE)
  - [IELTS](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)
  - [TOEFL](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)
  - [Cambridge](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)

- **French language requirements for graduate exchange students**
  - TCF minimum score 500 or DELF/DALF minimum score B1
  - [TCF](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)

- **English language requirements for graduate exchange students**
  - 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)
  - [IELTS](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)
  - [TOEFL](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)
  - [Cambridge](https://www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/study/languages/charters)

Some students may be asked to self-assess their language level (see this website for further information).

**Contacts**

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