



2015-2016 Academic year
National Research University Higher School of Economics
Exchange Programmes
Partner University Info Form

(Please refer also to the student exchange agreement signed by your institution and
National Research University Higher School of Economics Russia)

Section 1. Basic Information

Name of your institution	Sciences Po Lyon		
Campuses	Country	City	Key academic fields
	France	Lyon	
Key figures	Foundation date	Student population	International students population
	1948	About 1800 students	About 250 exchange students every year
Brief overview (500 words max)	<p>Sciences Po Lyon, also known as Institut d'Études Politiques de Lyon (Lyon Institute of Political Studies) is an undergraduate and graduate school of public affairs and international relations with a five-year degree that combines a Bachelor and a Masters.</p> <p>Entrance to the school is conditional upon passing a national competitive examination which is organized in common with five other Institutes of Political Studies, in Aix-en-Provence, Lille, Rennes, Strasbourg, Toulouse. Only the top 10% of the candidates are admitted. There are two other specific examinations to enter directly into year 2 or 4, in the latter case for a Masters program. Sciences Po Lyon has a total of approximately 1700 students over the five years of its curriculum. It also welcomes every year approximately 200 international students at both graduate and undergraduate levels. It also has an average of 12 international visiting faculty per year.</p> <p>Sciences Po Lyon has over 60 permanent faculty and over 200 part-time faculty and experts. A member of Université de Lyon, the Institute draws on its close ties with other schools and universities in the greater Lyon area to develop joint programs, together with research and teaching collaborations.</p> <p>The curriculum at Sciences Po Lyon is divided into three stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In years 1 and 2, the students receive a multidisciplinary education in social sciences with an emphasis on law, political science, history, economics, and media studies. They also have to study two foreign languages. Through a series of optional in-house degrees which add an average of 250 hours of classes over two years, Sciences Po Lyon has acquired a strong identity in area studies, with programs on Europe, Asia, the Arab World, Latin America, the United States, and Sub-Saharan Africa. Those degrees enable our students to obtain an initiation in the politics, economies and cultures of those areas. There is no specialization for the students at this stage. The insistence is on the acquisition of solid foundations in social sciences. 		

- Year 3 is, for the great majority of students, spent abroad, in one of our 150 partner institutions. The year abroad is both an occasion to discover new teaching methods and objects and to start identifying a specialization. A modest number of students combine one semester abroad with a 4-to-6 month internship, either abroad, preferentially, or in France. Fewer than 20 out of 240 spend their whole third year doing an internship.
- Upon their return to the Lyon campus, fourth-year students have a choice between three streams : public affairs, international affairs and media/journalism. Most students complete at the same time the Sciences Po degree, which is the equivalent of a Masters Degree, and a national Masters Degree awarded by our partner universities or schools such as Université Lyon 2 or Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon. Sciences Po Lyon aims at a high degree of professionalization as a majority of our students enter the work market upon graduation. As a result, most students spend the second semester of their 5th year doing an internship in the public or private sector in France or abroad. At this point, the students have a wide range of choices, from Public Policy and Comparative Government to Eastern Asian Studies. Specialties also include Sustainable Development and Cooperation in Latin America, Journalism, Urban Studies, Communication for International Cultural Organizations, European Business and Institutions... A significant number of students also prepare at the Institute the national competitive examinations to enter the French or the European civil service systems, a key element of the core mission of the Institute.

The quality and innovation of our programs is largely based on the faculty of Sciences Po Lyon participating in highly ranked research teams that bring together scholars and scientists from a large number of schools and universities that are part of the Université de Lyon. The Institute is also supported financially by Région Rhône-Alpes, which greatly contributes to furthering and facilitating the mobility of faculty, staff and students. Finally it draws on its close ties with the other five institutes of political studies in France by encouraging mobility and mutualizing programs.

Section 2. Contact Information

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Section 3. Academic Information

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Schedule	Recommended arrival date	Beginning of September	Recommended arrival date	Beginning of January
	Orientation dates	First two weeks of September	Orientation dates	First two weeks of January
	First day		First day	
	Final examinations		Final examinations	
	Last day		Last day	

Courses Catalogue for Exchange Students (website)		https://www.sciencespo-lyon.fr/cours/recherche
Course load	Max amount of credits	See course description
	Amount of hours per credit	See course description
Language courses	Are local language courses provided?	No
	If yes, what are the conditions (fee, credits, language levels)?	
Course Registration	When	After arrival
	How	Will be explained after their arrival
	Can exchange students pick courses from different faculties?	N.A.

Section 4. Administration of Exchange for Academic Year 2015-2016

Required Documents		Online application form, CV,
Nomination Submission Deadline		One month before the application deadlines
Acceptable Number of Exchange Students		
Language Requirements	Language proficiency level?	CEFR B2
	Is an international language certificate obligatory?	No
Application procedure		Students have to be nominated by the home university coordinator. After having received the nomination, Sciences Po Lyon will send all

	information about our online application directly to the students.
Any short-term programs offered by your university?	N.A.
Any grant opportunities offered by your university?	No

Section 5. Potential Expenses

Health Insurance	Requirements?	All students have to pay the compulsory “sécurité sociale” of about 220 euros.
	Any special recommendations/requirements on health issues?	N.A.
Meal	Is meal plan provided?	No
	Fee	N.A.
Accommodation	Is accommodation provided?	No
	Application procedure	N.A.
	Fee	N.A.
	Useful links in finding accommodation	https://www.sciencespo-lyon.fr/international/etudiants-internationaux/logement
Other mandatory fees, please specify.		

Thank you very much!