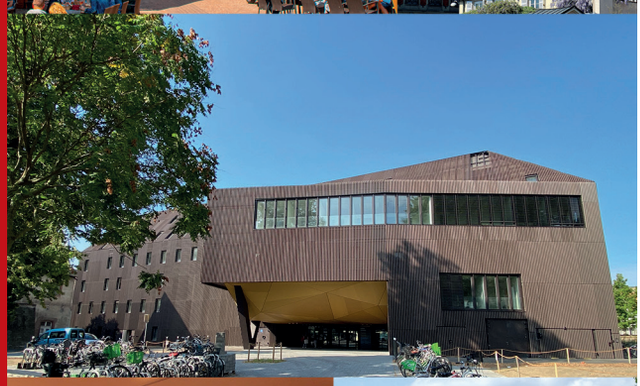

The Certificate of European Studies

Sciences Po Strasbourg

École de l'Université de Strasbourg

Presentation

The Certificate of European Studies (CES) is a university certificate awarded after successful completion of one semester of study at Sciences Po Strasbourg. It is taught exclusively in English and aims at enabling international students with little or no prior skills in the French language to gain access to the excellence of a French Grande Ecole's programme of study. By combining lectures, seminars, field trips and educational visits, the CES focuses on Europe in a global perspective, while also introducing students to the French language and culture. Thanks to Sciences Po Strasbourg's long-standing partnership with European institutions such as the European Parliament and the Council of Europe, international students will therefore have a unique opportunity to gain both theoretical and practical understanding of Europe from the very heart of its capital.

Potential applicants

This programme is aimed at international students who have completed at least two semesters of higher education (60 ECTS credits) and have not studied in France more than a year.

- Students must demonstrate English language proficiency (B2-C1 min. : TOEFL 89, IELTS 6.5 or equivalent).
- No prior knowledge of French is required; the programme is tailored for students who are beginners or intermediate learners of French.

Application and Key dates

The **autumn session** of the programme starts in early September.
The application process takes place in the spring.

The **spring session** of the programme starts in early January.
The application process takes place at the end of the summer.

Both sessions start with intensive French language classes complemented with social events and visits.
Exams take place before the Christmas break for the autumn session and in April-May for the spring session.

Application forms are available in April for the autumn session and in late August for the spring session.
http://www.sciencespo-strasbourg.fr/international/venir-etudier-a-sciences-po-strasbourg/

Tuition Fees

- 1390 euros

No fees for students nominated by our partner universities.

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Study Programme

Autumn session - 1st semester

UNIT 1 : French as a Foreign Language (6 ECTS)
- → Intensive French crash course (20 hours)
- → French as a Foreign Language classes (20 hours)

UNIT 2 : Fundamental courses (12 ECTS)
Four compulsory modules (18 hours each) :
- → History, Institutions and Policies of the EU
- → The EU and the World Economy
- → Cultural Policy in Europe
- → Britain and Europe from 1945 to Brexit

UNIT 3 : Applied European studies (6 ECTS)
- → Guided educational visits and field trip, including the Council of Europe, the European Parliament, the European Court of Human Rights, Arte, etc. (10 to 20 hours)
- → «Conférences de méthodes»: tutorial with presentations, debates and reports in relation to visits and fundamental courses (20 hours)

UNIT 4 : Optional courses (6 ECTS)
Two modules to be chosen from the following (18-24 hours each) :
- → European Cultural History
- → The Commonwealth of Nations: From Empire Management to the Challenges of the 21st Century
- → Financial invetsment
- → Microfinance
- → Immigration to the UK: History and Representations
- → The European Court of Human Rights
- → Environmental Politics in the United States
- → Minorities, Immigrants and Cinema
- → The Council of Europe in International Relations
- → Understanding the US

Study Programme

Spring session - 2nd semester

UNIT 1 : French as a Foreign Language (6 ECTS)
- → Intensive French crash course (20 hours)
- → French as a Foreign Language classes (20 hours)

UNIT 2 : Fundamental courses (12 ECTS)
Four compulsory modules (18 hours each) :
- → History of European integration
- → The Challenge of Climate Change : Strategies of the European Union, the United States and China
- → The European Court of Human Rights
- → Political Sociology of the EU

UNIT 3 : Applied European studies (6 ECTS)
- → Guided educational visits and field trip, including the Council of Europe, the European Parliament, the European Court of Human Rights, Arte, etc. (10 to 20 hours)
- → «Conférences de méthodes»: tutorial with presentations, debates and reports in relation to visits and fundamental courses (20 hours)

UNIT 4 : Optional courses (6 ECTS)
Two modules to be chosen from the following (18-24 hours each) :
- → Approaches of European Cultural Pluralism (European cultural history)
- → The Politics of Visual Culture in Divided Societies : The Case of Northern Ireland
- → Public International Law The Evolution of the Media in the 21st Century
- → Understanding Contemporary Africa: National constructions, democratization and development
- → Competition, Innovation and Environment
- → International Economy
- → The Economics of Public Issues

Top 5 Reasons to Study at Sciences Po Strasbourg

Excellent higher education opportunity

Take classes with French and international students at a highly selective institution, a «Grande Ecole», that is also a School of the University of Strasbourg.

Get an international perspective

Strasbourg is the Capital of Europe! It is the seat of the Council of Europe, the Court of Human Rights, and the European Parliament.

Strasbourg is a beautiful place

It is an eco-friendly city with a pedestrian city centre, a fantastic transportation system, including numerous bike paths. It also has a well-preserved architectural heritage and an amazing cultural scene – with special reduced student rates for cinema, theatre, museums and concerts!

Learn French !

French is spoken in over 40 countries and is the language of diplomacy.
Knowing French will increase job opportunities and salary potential : French oral and written skills can be a professional tool that allows participation in the global economy.

Great weekend and travel opportunities

Strasbourg is just over two hours by train from Paris and Switzerland and four hours from Munich and Brussels. There are numerous regional low cost flights to the UK, Italy, Spain and Greece.

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