Master in Political Sciences : General

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Programme objectives

More generally, the programme also gives students key skills for their future careers: coherent and well-structured oral and written expression, the ability to retrieve and manage information, and language skills—which are a key aspect to finding a job. Students are regularly encouraged to read English documents, and a number of courses are taught in English.

With skills tailored to the business world, graduates have great opportunities on the job market and can quickly find interesting work where they will make the most of their education.

Programme’s added value

Our aim is to provide high-level academic training while preparing students for their professional career. ULB’s political science programme also benefits from the pooling of a significant number of courses with the Institute of European Studies, one of the best in Europe.

A very wide offering of courses in political science, and many more in related areas of human sciences (law, economics, history, sociology, psychology, statistics). Recent results from a student survey as part of our evaluation process are very encouraging, with 84% of courses given positive marks.

An excellent academic programme with teachers of international renown: For the fourth year running, SciencePo-ULB was among the top 100 political science departments worldwide; it is the highest ranking in Belgium, and in the top 5 worldwide for French-speaking political science departments (QS World university Ranking by subject, 2017).

Strong emphasis on linguistic and methodological skills.

Preparation for the professional world.

Immersion in an international environment.

Succeed in your studies

ULB offers a number of activities and resources that can help you develop a successful strategy before or during your studies.

You can make the transition to higher education easier by attending preparatory courses, summer classes, and information and orientation sessions, even before you start your studies at ULB.

During your studies, many people at ULB are there specifically to help you succeed: support staff in each faculty, (inter-)faculty guidance counsellors, tutors, and experts in academic methodology.

International/Openness

There is a great tradition of student exchanges in political science, involving numerous universities in the European Union and Central European countries, as well as with North American universities (Canada, Quebec, USA). Students can spend a term or a whole year abroad.

Job opportunities

Graduates are well equipped to work in a variety of sectors:

- political and social life (political parties, trade unions, employer organisations, lobbies), political cabinets, parliaments, etc.;
- civil service at the local, regional, national, and European levels;
- international careers (diplomatic service, international organisations such as the UN, the OECD, or the Council of Europe);
› political consulting and counselling;
› executive positions in the non-market sector (e.g. non-profits, NGOs, humanitarian organisations, local missions, etc.);
› analysis in the private sector (e.g. banking);
› communication and journalism (press and audio-visual): spokesperson, reporter, communications officer;
› teaching;
› research, whether fundamental academic research, applied research, or research for think tanks, organisations, political parties, etc.

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Jury Presidents
Christophe WASINSKI (Professional) and Pascal DELWIT (Professional)

Jury Secretary
Nathalie BRACK
Graduates of the Master in Political Science have the opportunity to become first-rate political scientists working in the field of their choice. Students develop skills and knowledge related to power and political action at the national, subnational, European, and international levels, with courses that deal with citizens, political players (parties, unions, lobbies), and institutions.

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**Méthode**

L'inscription aux cours ci-dessous ne sera effective qu'après avoir assisté à la séance d'information commune en début de second quadrimestre selon la liste à compléter sur place auprès des titulaires (l'inscription ne pourra pas se faire en ligne par les étudiants). La séance d'information est donc obligatoire;

*A total of five credits chosen from the following*

- **POLI-D438** Méthodes d'enquête de terrain en relations internationales | Isaline BERGAMASCHI (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **POLI-D460** Méthodes qualitatives en science politique | Corinne TORREKENS (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **POLI-D463** Analyse des discours politiques et médiatiques | Arthur BORRIELLO (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **SOCA-D403** Analyse quantitative II | Dirk JACOBS (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **SOCA-D460** Social Network Analysis | Matteo GAGLIOLO (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h]  
  - second term  
  - English

- **STAT-D203** Analyse quantitative I | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **STAT-D307** Méthodes d'enquête et de sondage | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

**Cours obligatoires**

- **DROI-C5108** Droit public comparé | Emmanuel SLAUTSKY (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - French

- **ECON-S2001** Analysis of Contemporary Economic Issues | Jean-Pierre DE LAET (Coordinator) and Chrissopighi BRAILA
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h]  
  - second term  
  - English

- **POLI-D303** Partis politiques | Emilie VAN HAUTE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - first term  
  - French

- **POLI-D313** Communication politique | François HEINDERYCKX (Coordinator) and Nicolas BAYGERT
  - 5 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 12h]  
  - first term  
  - French

- **POLI-D404** Etudes approfondies de science politique /Master Thesis Seminar | Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator), Julien JEANDESBOZ, Corinne TORREKENS and Aurélie Tibbaut
  - 10 credits [tutorial classes: 48h]  
  - first term  
  - French
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Cours obligatoires

MEMO-D528  Mémoire
○ 30 credits  ☑ academic year  ☑ French

One course chosen from the following

- POLI-D461  Stage en science politique  | Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
○ 15 credits [personal assignments: 180h]  ☑ first and second terms  ☑ French
- POLI-D546  Mobilité internationale
○ 15 credits  ☑ first term  ☑ French

Module Optionnel

A total of 15 credits chosen from the following

- ENVI-F531  Sustainability Transitions: Dynamics, Governance and Politics  | Thomas BAULER (Coordinator) and Bonno PEL
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 9h]  ☑ first term  ☑ English
- POLI-D304  Régimes politiques en Afrique  | Véronique DIMIER (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ French
- POLI-D312  Le siècle de la Shoah et les génocides  | Joël KOTEK (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ first term  ☑ French
- POLI-D402  Russian Politics  | Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ English
- POLI-D403  L’Europe et la nation  | Jean-Yves PRANCHERE (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ French
- POLI-D429  Sport et politique  | Jean-Michel DE WAELE (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ French
- POLI-D436  Union européenne et sociétés européennes  | François FORET (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ French
- POLI-D444  History of Central and Eastern Europe  | Joël KOTEK (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ first term  ☑ English
- POLI-D505  Digital Politics  | Pietro Castelli Gattinara [Coordinator]
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ English
- POLI-D506  Political Marketing, Campaigning and Communication  | Pietro Castelli Gattinara (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ English
- POLI-D509  Politique de l'Amérique latine  | Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator)
○ 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  ☑ second term  ☑ French
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