Master in Political Sciences : General

Programme mnemonic
MA-POLI
- Focus Political Communication : M-POLIP
- Focus Democratic Challenges : M-POLIC

Studies level
Master 120 credits

Learning language
english and french

Schedule
office hours

Studies category / subcategory
Human and social sciences / Political and social sciences

Campus
Solbosch

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

- 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

Choose
The information and guidance counsellors at the InfOR-études service will help you choose your studies throughout the year.

Succeed
Take part in preparatory courses or get help to succeed, before or during your studies.

Get help
Apply for financial aid, look for accommodation or a student job, get support for your specific needs.

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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Digital Politics | Pietro Castelli Gattinara (Coordinator) and Florian Tixier
- 5 credits [lecture: 24h] - second term - English

Political Marketing and Communication | Pietro Castelli Gattinara (Coordinator) and Karolin Soontjens
- 5 credits [lecture: 24h] - second term - English

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MEMO-D568  Mémoire
30 credits  first and second terms  French

One course chosen from the following

POLI-D461 (optional)  Stage en science politique  Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
15 credits [personal assignments: 180h]  first and second terms  French

POLI-D546 (optional)  Mobilité internationale
15 credits  first term  French

Cours optionnels

A total of 15 credits chosen from the following

ECON-S466 (optional)  Public management and communication  Vincent MABILLARD (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  second term  English

POLI-D304 (optional)  Régimes politiques en Afrique  Véronique DIMIER (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  first term  French

POLI-D312 (optional)  Le siècle de la Shoah et les génocides  Joël KOTEK (Coordinator)
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POLI-D402 (optional)  Russian Politics  Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
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POLI-D406 (optional)  Géographie politique  Gilles VAN HAMME (Coordinator)
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POLI-D444 (optional)  History of Central and Eastern Europe

POLI-D509 (optional)  Politique de l’Amérique latine  Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  first term  English

POLI-D547 (optional)  Le Brésil : puissance émergente  Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  second term  French

POLI-D552 (optional)  Questions politiques d’actualité en Chine  Thierry KELLNER (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  first term  French
POLI-D556 (optional)

Régimes politiques d'Europe centrale et orientale | Jean-Michel DE WAELE (Coordinator)
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RELA-D400 (optional)

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**Etudes approfondies de science politique /Master Thesis Seminar** | Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator), Julien Pomarède and Corinne TORREKENS

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MEMO-D567  Mémoire
- 30 credits
- academic year
- French

One course chosen from the following

- POLI-D461 (optional)
  Stage en science politique | Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
  - 15 credits [personal assignments: 180h]
  - first and second terms
  - French

- POLI-D546 (optional)
  Mobilité internationale
  - 15 credits
  - first term
  - French

Cours spécifiques

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- POLI-D304 (optional)
  Régimes politiques en Afrique | Véronique DIMIER (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]
  - first term
  - French

- POLI-D312 (optional)
  Le siècle de la Shoa et les génocides | Joël KOTEK (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]
  - first term
  - French

- POLI-D402 (optional)
  Russian Politics | Aude MERLIN (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]
  - second term
  - French

- POLI-D403 (optional)
  L'Europe et la nation | Jean-Yves PRANCHERE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]
  - second term
  - French

- POLI-D406 (optional)
  Géographie politique | Gilles VAN HAMME (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]
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- POLI-D444 (optional)
  History of Central and Eastern Europe
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- POLI-D509 (optional)
  Politique de l'Amérique latine | Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator)
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- POLI-D513 (optional)
  Politique, religion et valeurs dans l'UE | François FORET (Coordinator)
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- POLI-D547 (optional)
  Le Brésil : puissance émergente | Frédéric LOUAULT (Coordinator)
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- POLI-D552 (optional)
  Questions politiques d'actualité en Chine | Thierry KELLNER (Coordinator)
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- POLI-D556 (optional)
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