

### **Degree Programmes**

This study placement is available for Languages and Social Sciences Students.

Courses are available in French and English

Number of Places: 4

This document provides basic information about the university. **Please do your own research before applying.**

### **Application Process**

To apply for this opportunity you must submit an online application.

Link to the online application can be found in the **How to Apply** section in each university ad. Online application form requires registration, please register with your Aston University e-mail.

Please note that you can submit one application only. As a part of the application, you must provide three universities in order of preference, which should also be specified in your motivation letter.

You are required to submit one motivational letter, which must be focused on your first priority.

**Please do not contact the partner university directly as all the applications are processed by Aston's International Projects Team.**

## The University



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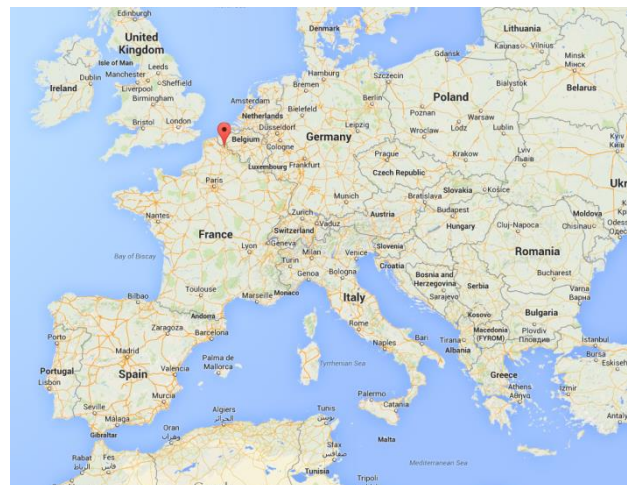
**Sciences Po Lille**, which was created in 1991, is one of the nine French Institutes for Political Studies. These public institutions belong to the Elite Graduate school category as students are selected through competitive exams. They coordinate their development policies under the aegis of the National Foundation of Political Science. Today, the Institute of Political Studies welcomes more than 1500 students in its Diploma course. Sciences Po Lille has made the choice of going international. Today, the Institute has 130 agreements (Erasmus and bilateral) in 30 countries. Every year, Science Po Lille welcomes 200 international exchange students who spend one year or one semester here.

**What it is like to study at Science Po Lille:** Click the [video 1](#) – [video 2](#)

## Location

**France's fourth largest metropolitan area**, an international crossroads and a dynamic financial centre, Lille is also an **artistic and historic city**.

In 2004, it was designated as a European Culture Capital. Since then, Lille has become an important tourist destination, recognised for its welcoming living environment, well preserved heritage and active cultural life. Situated just 400 meters from one another, Lille's two train stations are located in the city centre and are served by both the subway and the tram. The Lille-Lesquin International Airport is located 10 km from Lille city centre.



## Semester/key dates

Orientation and welcome: First week in September.

First semester: Second week in September – third week in December.

(Exams take place before the Christmas vacation)

Second semester: Mid-January to mid-June.

## Academic calendar

## Courses Available

You may choose among the courses offered in the second and fourth years (foundation courses, specialised courses and open lectures) and naturally among the classes reserved for international students.

Moreover, the IEP proposes to its international students that have a good level in French to prepare for the **Certificat d'Etudes Politiques (CEP)**.

In order to obtain the CEP students have to attend specific classes:

### **2 fondation courses**

- Vie politique française (24 hours) : 5 ECTS (1st semestre),
- Institutions politiques comparées (24 hours) : 5 ECTS (2nd semestre).

**2 “conférences de méthode”** (during the entire academic year) to be chosen between:

- Analyse Politique (36 hours) : 8 ECTS,
- Problèmes Internationaux Contemporains (36 hours) : 8 ECTS,
- La France et l'Europe en tendance (36 hours) : 8 ECTS.

Please note that attendance at these “conférences de méthodes” is obligatory.

A minimum of **5 courses** to be chosen within the list of courses available to international students. A **“grand Oral”**: an oral exam testing the general knowledge of the students and their capacity to structure what they have learned: 5 ECTS.

**Workload:** 30 ECTS credits per semester

## Living in France

- **Accommodation**

Accommodation is not offered by Sciences Po Lille but there are plenty of options available. Students can find more information on this [link](#). There are a number of student residences located across the city which are managed by the [CROUS de Lille](#) Most estate agencies in the Lille offer rentals of rooms,

studios, apartments. You must pay an agency fee and / or lease costs, and guarantees (*1 or 2 month rent + deposit*).

### **Next steps if you are successful**

1. You will be invited for a face-to-face or phone interview with the Placements Team
2. You will be nominated by us to the partner university
3. You must complete and send us the Erasmus application form
4. Following the nomination you must, complete a registration online using their online application form. The International Placements Team will contact you about this.
5. Read the Study Plan (available on Blackboard from June)
6. Complete a Learning Agreement once your modules have been approved by your Placement Tutor.

### **Visa**

Please ensure that you have an up to date passport before applying to Sciences Po Lille and also that you fulfil any visa requirements for entering and studying in France. For further information, please see the website of the [French Embassy](#) in London.

## **Careers + Placements**

[www2.aston.ac.uk/careers](http://www2.aston.ac.uk/careers)

