

## **Sciences Po**

### **A Research University in the Social Sciences in Paris**

#### **General Profile**

Innovation and creativity in research and education have been the driving forces of Sciences Po since 1872. This unwavering legacy, coupled with a unique and demanding educational mission, have made Sciences Po the **leading research university in the social sciences in France**, dedicated to shaping the leaders of today's and tomorrow's global society - whether in the public, private or non-governmental sector.

Based on a **multi-disciplinary** approach, it associates and combines skills and know-how from the different **social sciences** – in particular economy, history, political science and sociology and the humanities. Law, geography, technologies and even the natural sciences are well recognized at Sciences Po.

Originally and still mainly based in Paris, Sciences Po has developed five regional campuses in France (Dijon, Le Havre, Menton, Nancy, Poitiers) and five offices posted abroad (Beijing, Cairo, Kuwait, New York, New Delhi)

#### **Sciences Po at a glance**

A selective and international university for the social sciences, founded in 1871

- 7,500 students overall in various degree programs, including 2400 foreign students from more than 40 countries
- 2,600 faculty members and lectures: academics as well as professionals from the business world, public administration and international organizations
- A 5-year masters degree program at the core
- A School of Lifelong Learning / for Adult Education delivering executive masters programs
- 300 academic partnerships with universities around the world
- Strategic partnerships with public and private sector organizations
  
- 100 full-time professors and 300 researchers
- 10 research centers and 8 research chairs
- A graduate school delivering MPhils and PhDs
  
- The richest humanities and social sciences library in continental Europe with a million-volume collection
  
- An active publishing house with more than 1000 titles in its catalogue and six academic journals: Les Presses de Sciences Po.

## Education

In a constantly changing world, new challenges arise daily, and imagination and initiative become essential skills. Sciences Po instills such capacities through a rigorous academic program demanding intellectual courage and perseverance.

The educational project at Sciences Po is based on the development of self-confidence, negotiation and decision-making skills obtained through teamwork, effective oral and written expression, and multidisciplinary analytical reasoning.

### ***Attracting the best students and faculty worldwide***

- International students make up 41% of student body
- Offering world-class programs
- Degree programs and courses in English and other languages
- Compulsory foreign languages, with 13 languages taught
- Publishing high-profile research
- Developing partnerships with top-ranking universities around the world
- Applying international standards of service

### ***The undergraduate experience:***

#### ***Paris, plus 5 regional campuses with strong international focus***

- **Dijon** : Central and Eastern Europe
- **Le Havre** : Asia
- **Menton** : Mediterranean and Middle East
- **Nancy** : German-speaking Europe
- **Poitiers** : Latin America, Spain and Portugal

### ***International academic programming***

- **Joint BA/MA degrees:**  
Columbia University, Freie Universität, Fudan University, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Johns Hopkins University, Peking University, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Sao Paulo, Torcuato di Tella University of Argentina
- **Dual MPA degrees:**  
Columbia University, LSE, National University of Singapore
- **Dual Masters degrees:**  
Bocconi University, Columbia University, Fondation Getulio Vargas in Sao Paulo, Freie Universität Berlin, Georgetown University, London School of Economics and Political Science, Moscow University of International Relations, Saint-Gallen University in Switzerland, Warsaw School of Economics

### ***Lifelong learning activities***

- With high-level diploma courses, a broad range of 1 to 8-day seminars and tailor-made programmes with internationally recognized lecturers and practitioners, Sciences Po executive education programme offers a unique experience. With about 400 programmes in 2006, it gave to more than 5 400 senior level executives the opportunity to refresh and deepen their knowledge and understanding of the latest strategies.

### ***Where our graduates go***

- National or international public administrations
- Business: banking and finance, communications, consulting, human resources, management, marketing
- International Organizations, Regulatory Agencies, NGOs and Non-Profits
- Journalism
- Law
- Teaching and Research in the Social Sciences

## **Research**

Since its creation in 1945, Sciences Po's mission has been to act as a driving force in the development of research in the social sciences. Our research is characterised by a desire to share the knowledge it engenders and we focus on both applied and fundamental research. All of our researchers are firmly inserted in international networks and joint projects and we thrive from a vivid exchange with visiting faculty from abroad. The work carried out at our research centres has provided and continues to provide keys for an understanding of change in a world which is increasingly difficult to predict, making the need for reliable points of reference and rigorous methodology more pressing than ever.

### ***Faculty***

- Out of 2,300 overall; 420 International faculty (390 part-time and 30 full time)
- 80 visiting professors each year
- Faculty positions abroad : Beijing, Cairo, Colegio de Mexico, Columbia, Georgetown, Harvard, LSE, Northwestern, Princeton
- International Chairs : Alfred Grosser, Vincent Wright, China and Governance, Columbia Public and International Affairs, Equal Opportunity, Georgetown Greg Flynn, Indian Economy, Japan, Korea

[More about Faculty](#)

### ***Ten Research Centers***

- CEE: European Studies, Renaud Dehousse
- CERI: International relations, Christophe Jaffrelot
- CEVIPOF: Political Science, Pascal Perrineau
- CDSP: Socio-political analysis, Alain Chenu
- CHSP: Contemporary History, Jean-François Sirinelli
- CSO: Sociology of organizations, Christine Musselin
- GEM: Trade and Regulation, Patrick Messerlin
- OFCE: Economics, Jean -Paul Fitoussi
- OSC: Sociology of change, Alain Chenu
- IDDR: Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations, Laurence Tubiana

### [More about the Research Centers](#)

### ***Six Research Chairs***

- REGULATION, Marie-Anne Frison-Roche
- MUTATIONS OF PUBLIC ACTION AND LAW, Jean-Bernard Auby
- MOM (Middle East & Mediterranean), Gilles Keppel
- MERCOSUR (Trade and Negotiation), Alfredo Valladao
- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, Laurence Tubiana
- HEALTH CARE, Didier Tabuteau

### [More about the Chairs](#)

### ***Research priorities***

In addition to the research carried out at the research centers and the chairs, Sciences Po supports transversal topics which cut across the boundaries of established units. Among the topics which will become a research priority for Sciences Po are:

- Methods and data infrastructures
- Socio-economics
- Globalization and its discontents
- The transformation of the State
- Inequalities
- Politics of the Earth
- Cities
- Peace

### ***An important number of research partnerships***

For instance, Sciences Po is involved in 17 FP6 projects and more than 9 FP7 projects (CONNEX, GARNET, CHALLENGE, PRIME, YOUNNEX, MACOSPOL etc.)

### [More about our international networks](#)

### **Library**

- Created in 1872, the Sciences Po library is the working library of the Institut d'Etudes Politiques, its mission is to support the institutes' teaching and research and it also welcomes external academic or professional users whose research justifies access to its collections. It is one of Europe's leading libraries devoted to social sciences and is associated to the French national library as a centre for the acquisition and circulation of scientific and technical information (CADIST) in the field of political science
- 60% in foreign languages

[More about the Library: English guide](#)

### **Sciences Po University Press**

- Founded in the 1950's by the Sciences Po (Political Studies Institute of Paris), it acts as a top-flight university press.
- Performs a triple purpose: to publish research, to edit reference works for student use, and to excite public and political debate.
- With more than **1000 titles** in its catalogue, Sciences Po University Press publishes the most advanced research in its areas of specialization: geopolitics, globalization and governance, trends in political life, societal change and development and 20th century history.
- Sciences Po university Press **publishes six academic journals** : La Revue française de science politique (Political science), Critique internationale (International relations), Vingtième Siècle. Revue d'histoire (Twentieth Century History), Raisons politiques (Political theory), La Revue économique (Economics), La Revue de l'OFCE (Economics), Sociétés contemporaines (Sociology), Sève. Les tribunes de la santé (Health)

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