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SPOL1BA Baccalauréat en sciences politiques (Bachelor of Political Sciences)



Study objectives

Study objectives in terms of acquisition of skills:

The bachelor's programme of Political Sciences aims to:

- provide the students with a basic grounding in Political Sciences (and its principal specialities and fields), to enable them to decode socio-political phenomena
- develop the students' capacity of critical analysis and multi-disciplinary reflection, providing initiation into the principal disciplines of the Human Sciences and, in particular, Political Sciences
- initiate the students in individual study, by means of an active pedagogical approach which leaves considerable room for personal (and group) work, as well as in the acquisition of written and oral communication skills
- lay the foundation stones to pave the way for further scientific steps (participation in a practical seminar on research, onthe-field contact, acquisition of primordial methodological tools), and to help the students to elaborate reports, respecting the rules of form and of content (a skill necessary both for embarking on the job-market and on the master's programme).

General presentation of the programme

The Bachelor's programme, which provides basic pluridisciplinary training, comprises a pool of subjects common to the Faculty as well as specific courses in Political Sciences. Thanks to the common pool of subjects, the student will have the possibility, after the January session, to re-orientate himself to one or another programme of the Faculty, if so desired. The three year programme corresponds to 180 credits and consists of a major, an ensemble of courses, seminars and exercises, totalling 150 credits.

To widen his intellectual and professional horizons, the student may choose a minor (30 credits) which will enable him to discover another subject; he may likewise choose to go more deeply into his major by means of an ensemble of options (30 credits). The choice of the minor and the options, must be approved by the Programme Supervisor.

The choice of a minor also facilitates re-orientation when it comes to selecting the master's programme. The role of the Programme Supervisor and of the Study Advisor is important with respect to subject choice (information, advice, etc.) On a general level:

- one year is dedicated to providing initiation into the principal Human Science disciplines (including a course in Political Sciences) and a seminar in university study approaches and methods
- one year is dedicated to the acquisition of primordial methodological tools and the disciplines of Social Sciences (in particular, within the different specialities of Political Sciences and Sociology)
- and one year is dedicated to the pursuit of the acquisition of methodological tools and a piece of work revolving more specifically around the principal specialities and fields of Political Sciences (in particular international relations, public policy and comparative politics).

Minors or other options available (30 Credits)

The student will complete his programme by choosing:

• a minor (30 Credits), other than the one in Political Sciences, to be selected from the ensemble of minors offered by UCL.

For a total of 14 Credits in the 2nd year and 16 Credits in the 3rd year.

• a choice of options (30 Credits), available on other bachelor programmes

The choice of the minor or options must be approved by the Programme Supervisor

Evaluation

Ongoing evaluation: exercises and personal pieces of work

Written and oral exams

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Admission to the programme

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The programme is accessible to those possessing a secondary school-leaving certificate (c.f. the "Acces to Studies" part of the study programme for a precise description of the admission requirements and their particular cases)

The conditions and regular admission requirements are specified on the web page "Access to Studies" :

http://www.ucl.ac.be/etudes/libres/en/acces.html

Positioning of the programme

Positioning of the programme within the University cursus

The bachelor's degree in Political Sciences entitles direct access to the master's of Political Sciences, delivered by any university institution within the French-speaking Community in Belgium: the master's of Political Sciences (general orientation), the master's of Political Sciences (international relations) and the master's of Public Administration. Those possessing a bachelor's degree in Sociology and Anthropology or in the Human and Social Sciences from UCL, who have followed the minor in Political Sciences, are likewise entitled direct access to the master's of Political Sciences (general orientation), the master's of Political Sciences (international relations) and the master's of Public Administration.

Other studies available upon completion of the programme

The bachelor's degree in Political Sciences entitles direct access to the master's organised by other departments of the Faculty of Economic Sciences, Social and Political Sciences or by other faculties, subject to respect of the conditions and prerequisites specified for those programmes. In the case of lacking credits, these may be made up either by being added to the master's programme (if the number of lacking credits does not surpass 15 credits), or by completing a complementary/preparatory year before embarking on the master's.

Useful contacts

Programme management

SESP Secrétariat du 1er cycle (ESPO)

Program Supervisor: Professor C. de Visscher

Contact person for the ESPO: Anne-Françoise Mariscal, Chantal Herman

Study Advisor Cécile Delannay

Exam Jury

President : Michel Dorban Secretaries : Jean-Marie Yante

List of accessible minors

- Minor in Theology
- Minor in Philosophy
- Minor in Law
- Minor in Criminology
- Minor in Information and Communication (*)
- Minor in Sociology and Anthropology
- Minor in Human and Social Sciences
- Minor in Economics
- Minor in Economics (opening)
- Minor in Business Studies
- Minor in Linguistics
- Minor in Hispanic Studies (*)
- Minor in Italian Studies (*)
- Minor in French Studies (*)
- Minor in Latin Studies
- Minor in Greek Studies
- Minor in Oriental Studies
- Minor in Literature Studies
- Minor in History
- Minor in Medieval Studies
- Minor in History of Art and Archaeology (*)
- Minor in Musicology
- Minor in Psychology and Education (*)
- Minor in Human Nutrition (*)
- Minor in General Biomedical Sciences (*)
- Minor in Clinical Biomedical Sciences (*)
- Minor in Medication Sciences (*)

Minor in Physical Activity, Health and Culture of Movement (*)

- Minor in Geography(*)
- Minor in Statistics

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- Minor in Urban Architecture
- Minor in Mathematics and Mathematical Applications
- Minor in Scientific Culture
- Minor in Gender Studies
- Minor in Culture and Creation
- Minor in European Studies

(*) Minor with access criteria.

Detailed content of standard programme

SPOL 11BA First year of studies

First quadrimester (3	0 Credits)
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Foundation	studies	(27	credits)
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ESPO1111A	Political Economics (Part 1)[40h+10h] (4 credits) (in French)	N.	
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ESPO1113A Sociologie et anthropologie I :1ère partie[40h+0h] (4 credits) Jean De Munck, Matthieu de

(in French)
Nanteuil-Miribel

SESP1111A Statistique et éléments de probabilité : 1ère Annie Robert partie[22.5h+22.5h] (4 credits) (in French)

ESPO1110 Study Skills Seminar[15h] (in French) Michel Dorban

COPS1113 Modern and Contemporary History[30h] (3 credits) (in Michel Dorban, Paul Servais

French)

COPS1124 Philosophy[30h] (3 credits) (in French) Heinz Leonardy

ESPO1122 Foundations of Law[40h] (3 credits) (in French) Gilberte Marchal, Gilberte Marchal

(supplée Henri Simonart), Henri Simonart, Marc Verdussen

One of the following courses:

SESP1112 Mathematics and Logic[30h+15h] (3 credits) (in French) Etienne Loute, Yves Pochet

COPS1112 Formal Logic[30h+15h] (3 credits) (in French) Thierry Lucas

Specific studies (3 credits)

ESPO1114A Science politique : 1ère partie[30h] (3 credits) (in French) André-Paul Frognier, Jacques Herman,

Françoise Piérard

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Second quadrimester (30 Credits)

Foundation studies (15 credits)

ESPO1112 Principles of Accountancy[30h+15h] (4 credits) (in French) Karine Cerrada Cristia, Yves De Rongé

(coord.), Michel De Wolf, Michel Gatz

ESPO1113B Sociologie et anthropologie I : 2 ème partie[20h] (2 credits) N

(in French)

COPS1121 Information Technology and Multimedia[30h+15h] (4 Jean-Pierre Couwenbergh, Thierry De

credits) (in French) Smedt, Marcel Lebrun

ESPO1125P Séminaire de travail universitaire en Sciences

politiques[15h+15h] (5 credits) (in French)

ESPO1120 Psychology[30h] (3 credits) (in French) René Zayan

Specific studies (9 credits)

POLS1121 Political Sociology[30h] (3 credits) (in French) Benoît Rihoux

ESPO1114B Science politique: 2ème partie[30h] (3 credits) (in French) N.

COPS1126 History of Political and Social Ideas[30h] (3 credits) (in Luc Courtois

French)

Language courses (6 credits)

ANGL1330 Intermediate English (first part)[30h] (3 credits) Philippe Detry, Isabelle Druant, Marie

Duelz, Dominique François, Virginie Godin, Claudine Grommersch, Sandrine Mulkers, Marc Piwnik, Severine Schmit,

Colleen Starrs, Cindy Tréfois

One of the following courses (the student will keep the same language throughout the entire bachelor programme).

NEER1330 Intermediate, first part[30h] (3 credits) Brigitte Goidts (coord.)

ESPA1330 Spanish - Intermediate level (1st part)[45h] (3 credits) 🛕 Isabel Baeza Varela, Paula Lorente

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ALLE1330 German - intermediate level, first part[30h] (3 credits) Ann Rinder

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Foundation studies (23 credits)

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POLS1211	Macroeconomic Policy[30h+10h] (4 credits) (in French)	Nicolas Bednar (supplée Henri Sneessens), Nicolas Bednar (supplée Philippe Monfort), Philippe Monfort, Henri Sneessens
POLS1221	Quantitative Data Analysis[30h+20h] (5 credits) (in French)	Jacques Marquet
<u>FOLS1221</u> <u>COPS1212</u>	Qualitative Data Analysis[50n+20n] (5 credits) (in French) Qualitative data analysis[30h+20h] (5 credits) (in French)	Nathalie Burnay
	of 9 credits, to be chosen from among the following courses:	Nathane Burnay
<u>COPS1214</u>	Social psychology[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	Olivier Corneille
<u>SPED1211</u>	Introduction to Demography[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	Eric Vilquin
<u>COPS1111</u>	Information and Communication[30h+10h] (4 credits) (in	Philippe Marion
<u> </u>	French)	1 mappe 1 marion
SPED1212	Analysis of Development Policy[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	Frédéric Lapeyre, Isabel Yépez Del
		Castillo
SPED1213	Contemporary issues in development policy: a comparative	Bichara Khader
	approach[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	
SPED1221	Interrelations of Population, Environment and	Bruno Schoumaker, Dominique Tabutin
	Development[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	_
COPS1213	Sociology and Anthropology II[60h] (6 credits) (in French)	Olivier Servais, Bernadette Wynants,
		Bernadette Wynants (supplée N.)
POLS1225	Social and cultural anthropology[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	Robert Deliège
<u>COPS1122</u>	Anthropology and Communication[30h+10h] (4 credits) (in	Gérard Derèze, Alain Reyniers
	French)	
<u>SPED1214</u>	Demographic issues and challenges in the 21st century[30h]	Dominique Tabutin, Eric Vilquin
	(3 credits) (in French)	
<u>SPED1215</u>	Gender and Societies[30h] (3 credits) (in French)	Catherine Gourbin, Isabel Yépez Del
		Castillo
Specific studies (17		
POLS1222	Sociopolitical models of the State[30h] (3 credits) (in	Jacques Herman
DOI 01222	French)	Christian 1. When her English Diving
POLS1223	Theory of Organisations and Public Action[60h] (6 credits)	Christian de Visscher, Françoise Piérard
POLS1224	(in French) The Political and Administrative System in Belgium[30h] (3	Christian de Visscher, Lieven De Winter,
FOL31224	credits) (in French)	André-Paul Frognier
COPS1211	Public Law[60h] (5 credits) (in French)	Yves Lejeune
Language courses		i ves Eejeune
ANGL1331	Anglais niveau moyen, 2ème partie[60h] (3 credits)	Isabelle Demeulenaere, Jennifer
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One of the followin	g courses (the student will keep the same language throughout t	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
NEER1331	Intermediate Dutch for Political Science[60h] (3 credits)	Nadine Dermaut
<u>ALLE1331</u>	German - intermediate level, second part[60h] (3 credits)	Ann Rinder
ESPA1331	Spanish Intermediate (2nd part)[45h] (3 credits)	Isabel Baeza Varela, Paula Lorente
Minor or other ont	tion (30 credits to be spread over the bac 2 and the bac 3)	

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Foundation studies (3 credits)

ESPO1321 Economic, Political and Social Ethics[30h] (3 credits) △ (in N.

French)

Specific studies (38 credits)

POLS1311 International Public Law[45h] (4 credits) ∧ (in French) N.
POLS1322 Epistemology and Methodology in Political N.

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	Science[30h+10h] (4 credits) A (in French)	
POLS1312	Comparative Politics[45h] (5 credits) 🐧 (in French)	N.
POLS1323	European Institutions and Policies[40h] (4 credits) (in French)	N.
POLS1317	Geopolitics and the International System[60h+30h] (10 credits) Δ (in French)	N.
<u>POLS1313</u>	Seminar on Contemporary Political Issues[25h+25h] (5 credits) A (in French)	N.
Pratical research ser	minar on Political Sciences [40h+20h] (6 dits)	
One of the followin	g courses:	
POLS1321A	Séminaire pratique de recherche en sciences politiques : relations internationales[40h+20h] (6 credits) (in French)	N.
POLS1321B	Séminaire pratique de recherche en sciences politiques : politique comparée[40h+20h] (6 credits) (in French)	N.
POLS1321C	Séminaire pratique de recherche en sciences politiques : action publique[40h+20h] (6 credits) (in French)	N.
Language courses		
One of the followin	g courses (the student will keep the same language throughou	t the entire bachelor programme

ANGL1531	Advanced English for Political Science[90h] (4 credits)	Timothy Byrne, Keith Carlon
NEER1531	Advanced Dutch for Political Science[90h] (3 credits)	Marie-Paule Vanelderen
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ESPA1531	A préciser	

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