

Newsletter 3: Sciences Po fall 2014 and 14-15 year-long students

◇Registering for fall classes◇

Bonjour incoming Sciences Po students,

Your study abroad adventure is just a couple of months away! It won't be long now before you find yourself in the City of Light.

Here is some important information about the academic side to your Sciences Po program.

Welcome Programme, fall 2014:

The week-long Welcome Programme consists of methodology classes, conferences on France-related themes, such as French politics, and several social activities. Not only is the Welcome Programme an essential component for understanding the unique Sciences Po methodology, but participants enjoy it for the opportunities it gives them to meet other Sciences Po students during the non-academic (pub crawl, boat tour, treasure hunt, etc) events. Do click on the [link](#) to see a sample schedule of how your week will look.

Fall registration:

Fall 2014 online registration will open at 16h00 Paris time (7:00 am California time) on Tuesday, July 8 and close at 23h59 Paris time (2:59 pm California time) on Sunday, July 13, 2014.

Set your alarm so you can get online as soon as registration opens up! Classes fill in seconds.

Sciences Po sent you an email on June 18th detailing their registration process. That email has important attachments that you should read and understand before you register. If you have any questions about the content of those attachments, email me before registration begins.

Lauren Nestler, your International Academic Specialist at UCEAP, will be sending you an additional email with detailed instructions regarding the Sciences Po course registration process, so look for that in your inbox.

Once you have your fall schedule, please send a copy of it to me at center@ucparis.fr. The Sciences Po registration website has a tab where you can see your finalized schedule; you can send that version or one from your *Espace Etudiant*. The important thing is to send me a version with the ECTS units showing, so I can calculate your UC units and make sure you are meeting the program requirements. I will also be checking to make sure you are enrolled in a [French language class](#), another program requirement.

International Program Diploma

To obtain the prestigious Certificate in Social Sciences and Humanities (CSSH), the student must, over the course of two semesters, attempt 60 ECTS credits and succeed in passing at least 45. To obtain a **one-semester version** of the CSSH, the student must attempt 30 ECTS credits and succeed in passing at least 20 of these.

The CSSH is a true marker of excellence and you'll want to list it on your résumé should you be awarded this certificate at the end of your Sciences Po studies (and there is no reason why you shouldn't!!!).

Administrative tasks

You should now be completing, or have completed, your [Administrative Registration](#).

The fee for enrollment in French National Health ("Sécurité Sociale") is expected to be 215€. All students age 28 or under are required by French law to enroll in French National Health and pay this fee, even UC students who already have health insurance with UCEAP. If you hold French or EU citizenship, contact me at center@ucparis.fr to see about exemption from this Sciences Po requirement.

I hope this information has added to your excitement about your future transformation from Californian to Parisian!

I will be out of the UC Paris Study Center from July 11 returning August 18th so please note those dates as I will be unable to access my center@ucparis.fr account during that time. Feel free, however, to email me between now and July 11th with any questions or concerns you might have. Until then, I wish you a wonderful summer and I look forward to meeting you in Paris in a couple of months.

Cordialement,
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