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Student support services and health and safety assistance provided by a caring, on-site team

Enjoy a delicious French buffet breakfast every morning at the Château and experience French cuisine during student events, holiday parties, group meals, and more

Commute to classes or explore the surrounding area on foot or by bike, bus, tram, or train. Bike rental assistance and free weekly yoga classes.

Discover the rest of France and Europe during weekends and semester breaks

A variety of grants, scholarships, and awards are available. Visit our website: cepa-foundation.org/scholarships

Program dates
Fall late Aug./early Sept. to late Dec.
Spring early Jan. to late April/mid May

Ready to apply or have questions?
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This program offers a well-supported direct enroll semester abroad experience for students of any major with interests in European politics and affairs, cross-cultural studies, or international/European business management.

Students can attend courses at the University of Strasbourg’s political science school (Sciences Po Strasbourg) or at the business school (EM Strasbourg Business School).

European Politics/EU Studies
Sciences Po Strasbourg is dedicated to providing top-level multidisciplinary education and is particularly renowned for its expertise in European studies and political science.

International/European Business
EM Strasbourg Business School is one of the top 15 business schools in France and maintains the prestigious AACSB International Business Accreditation.

Strasbourg: The Capital of Europe
Strasbourg is a diverse, modern and multicultural city with centuries of history and a fascinating place for students to study abroad. As one of Europe’s capital cities, it is an important center for politics, culture, business, government, and education.

As the formal seat of the European Parliament, Council of Europe and Court of Human Rights, this is the ideal location for students studying political science, international relations, and international business.

Co-curricular visits to historical, cultural, economic, and European sites in France and Germany are integral to the semester program, including an excursion to Brussels, Belgium.

Fields of Study
• International Studies
• Political Science including Economics, EU Studies, European Politics, and International Relations
• Business including Management, Marketing, Finance, Human Resources, Organizational Behavior, Entrepreneurship, and more
• French Language and Culture

Credits: Students can earn up to 15 semester credits. U.S. transcripts are provided by the School of Record. Visit the website for details.

Attend classes: at ESC and University of Strasbourg

Course instruction: English (Intensive French language courses are available upon request)

Class sizes: Small, typically 20 or fewer students

"The cultural excursions and professional visits brought the entire study abroad experience to a higher level for me. I was able to visit all the important EU institutions that I learned about in my courses."

Kristy P., ESC student from Florida