Sorbonne University - Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Institutional information

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Sorbonne University was created on January 1st, 2018 from the merger of Paris-Sorbonne and Pierre and Marie Curie (UPMC) universities. As a public institution, it fulfills the public service calling of French higher education, research and innovation.

The Faculty of Arts & Humanities at Sorbonne University is today the largest and most complete faculty in France, in the field of arts, languages, literature, social sciences and humanities. Committed to the transmission of a humanist culture, its pedagogical excellence is based on the recognized quality of its research to offer the most complete and innovative teaching.

Dates and Deadlines for International Students coming from Latin America, Asia, Africa, Middle East and Europe

The academic year at Sorbonne University starts in September and is divided into two semesters, the first term ends near the end of January and the second term near the beginning of June:

- For the autumn term (the first semester) the deadline for nominating students is April 15th and for students application April 30th.
- For the spring term (the second semester), the nomination deadline is October 1st and for students application October 31st.

Nomination and application information

Coordinators are asked to send their nominations to virginie.mourton@sorbonne-universite.fr according to the deadlines aforementioned. The nomination should include name, family name, date of birth, nationality, gender, level of study, field of study, duration of stay and a valid e-mail address.

The student will receive information concerning enrolling details after the nomination has been confirmed by the academic coordinator of Sorbonne University.
**Housing applications**

For housing applications, the deadlines are the same as indicated above. All information concerning the housing offered is available on our website, ([http://lettres.sorbonne-universite.fr/Candidatures-Erasmus](http://lettres.sorbonne-universite.fr/Candidatures-Erasmus)) and students should download the form called “Formulaire de demande de logement” which is in both English and French. There are limited housing options available for international students, we recommend students to look for private housing when possible.

**Course Catalogue**

All courses offered by Sorbonne University can be found on the website, on either of the following links: [http://lettres.sorbonne-universite.fr/ufr](http://lettres.sorbonne-universite.fr/ufr) and [http://vof.paris-sorbonne.fr/fr/index.html](http://vof.paris-sorbonne.fr/fr/index.html) The University has its departments divided in different UFR’s, which is an abbreviation of *Unité de Formation et de Recherche* (Unit of Education and Research), which corresponds to the different departments of humanities and arts.

**Languages of Instruction**

At Sorbonne University, most courses are taught in French, with the exception of certain language departments where courses are often taught in both the learned language and French.

Sorbonne University accepts students with a B2 level of French, however, a C1 level is highly recommended for students that are not studying in a language department. Especially for those studying History, History of Art, Philosophy and Sociology, a good understanding of the French language is necessary.
General Information

Academic grades and notation:

At Sorbonne University, all our marks are out of 20. For information, Sorbonne University has one the most difficult grading systems in France. It is important to note that a 10/20 is a good grade and that it stands for the passing grade. The credit part refers to the number of European credits the course provides. It is based on the 30 credits per semester system that French students must pass to validate one semester. It does not refer to the number of hours taken for one course. When noted “Attended”, it means that your student attended the course but didn’t pass the final exam. You can freely choose to give them the ECTS or not. When noted “Passed”, it means that your student attended the course and passed the exam, but there is no grade because the professor doesn’t give grades to their students. The local grade (/20) is the most relevant information you should consider to validate your students’ semester/year at Sorbonne University.

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<td>A</td>
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