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POLITICAL SCIENCE

WHICH PROFESSIONS?

NATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE

• Prepare to sit entrance examinations for the main institutes that train senior civil servants, e.g. regional administrative institutes (IRA), category A administrative positions in various ministries.

REGIONAL CIVIL SERVICE

• Supervisory and management positions, project leadership, oversight of public communication, urban planning research, environment, etc. (regional examinations).

CONSULTANCY & EXPERTISE

• Consultancy for elected officials, advice on institutional relations, assisting local public representatives, parliamentary aide.

INTERNATIONAL AND EUROPEAN ORGANISATIONS

• International: UN (UNICEF, UNESCO, WHO, etc.).
• Europe: career opportunities in lobby groups, trade union representation, associations, regional public authorities and European project development.

HUMANITARIAN AID & DEVELOPMENT

JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATION RESEARCH

• Teaching and research posts in the main branches of political science: political sociology, comparative politics, public policy analysis, international relations.

Most of the professions listed require master’s level qualifications, but some of them can be accessed after 2 or 3 years’ higher education. To find out more about the career opportunities available to graduates, consult the list of professions compiled by ODIF (Observatoire de la Direction des Formations), part of the University of Lille.

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POST-SECONDARY COURSES AVAILABLE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LILLE

3-YEAR BACHELOR’S DEGREE

Theoretical grounding to prepare for further study up to master’s level and/or civil service examinations.

DEGREE POLITICAL SCIENCE

The degree in Political Science is a multidisciplinary course that explores the contemporary world in an effort to understand and analyse political life and public initiatives. It is designed to train students how to:

• Analyse political and social situations and challenges
• Understand the institutional environment
• Search for information
• Use a wide range of methods (interviews, observations, archives, questionnaires, surveys, statistical databases)
• Communicate
• Work as part of a team

Students also have the chance to choose an original option:

DEGREE POLITICAL SCIENCE OPTION ESJ Lille [UNIQUE IN FRANCE]

Selective admission

Course enabling students to take bachelor’s degree modules at the University as well as classes at the École Supérieure de Journalisme in Lille (ESJ Lille) with a view to preparing for the entrance examinations at schools of journalism. Candidates must apply for the political science degree (option: ESJ Lille) and directly via esj-lille.fr/.

1-YEAR EXAM PREPARATION

PREPARATION FOR INSTITUTS D’ÉTUDES POLITIQUES [Selective Admission]

Selective admission for school leavers graduating in the same year. Prepares students to sit the entrance examination for 1st-year admission to one of the seven Instituts d’Études Politiques outside Paris, while also completing the equivalent of year 1 of a degree in History, Literary studies (modern literature option) or Philosophy.

AFTER 2 YEARS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Whatever your background, you have the option of completing professional training. This course lasts one year and allows you to specialise, obtain a dual qualification or enter the job market after 3 years in higher education. This professional diploma is designed to lead immediately to employment.

AFTER A BACHELOR’S DEGREE

You can continue your studies to master’s level (5 years in higher education) in political science, but also are as such as social science, communication and journalism.

You can also sit the 4th-year examination for the Instituts d’Études Politiques or the entrance examinations for specialist schools (e.g. journalism).

More info: consult the catalogue of courses at https://www.univ-lille.fr/formations or contact SUAIO

Find out about the requirements and terms of access for each course at: www.parcoursup.fr

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