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**INSTITUTE  
IN PARIS**

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# Prospectus

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Make Paris your campus

# Bienvenue à University of London Institute in Paris

## Make Paris your campus

The Institute in Paris offers you the opportunity to gain a prestigious University of London degree within a friendly campus overlooking the Eiffel Tower in Paris's seventh arrondissement.

## Immerse yourself in French culture

Both in and out of the classroom, you'll be encouraged to look beyond borders, engage with your surroundings, and broaden your cultural and social perspectives.

## A quality academic experience

Benefit from a world-class UK university education, with degrees in French Studies, International Politics, Urban History and Culture, taught by academics who are leaders in their fields.

## Strong links to French and British partners

We work closely with the British Council – with whom we share our historic building – and the British Embassy, and we are a Corporate Member of the Franco-British Chamber of Commerce and Industry.





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# About the University of London

The University of London offers students around the world lifechanging access to education, whoever and wherever they are.

It delivers high-quality academic degrees to all corners of the globe via online learning, benefits society through its research in the humanities and social sciences, and leverages intellectual connections through its public engagement work.

The University of London educates more than 45,000 learners across 190 countries and has over 500,000 alumni worldwide.

It pioneered the concept of 'education for all' when it was founded in 1836, and has continued to innovate ever since, consistently reimagining learning, teaching and research to anticipate the needs of the future.

At the heart of the University is collaboration: it is a federation of 17 outstanding London-based higher education institutions, who provide academic direction for its online degrees.

The University of London Institute in Paris is an integral part of the University of London, situated in the political heart of one of the world's greatest cities. We offer a gateway into Europe and have rich academic relationships with our French and European counterparts.

In a newly defined Europe, the Institute offers a platform between academic communities in Britain, France, wider Europe and beyond. Forming an academic community which crosses national borders, the University of London Institute in Paris is committed to facilitating cross-cultural dialogue, understanding, and cooperation. We provide a global platform for students, scholars, and thinkers to engage with diverse perspectives and develop a broader worldview.

Our interdisciplinary degree programmes foster critical thinking and encourage students to ask crucial and urgent questions about the world today and the ways in which changes might be made for the future.

As a student at the Institute in Paris, you are part of the University of London community, with access to many services including:

- The Careers Group: the largest careers service in Europe, it provides advice on careers and applying for jobs both in France and the UK.
- Senate House Library: housing over 2 million books and millions of e-resources, with collections covering the arts, humanities and social sciences, it has served the international community of scholars for over 150 years.

# Your study experience

Located in Paris's seventh arrondissement, our historic building overlooks the Esplanade des Invalides and the Eiffel Tower, within easy reach of key political and educational focal points.

Our small classes allow for individual attention and a close-knit interdisciplinary community across ages and academic subjects.

## Study resources and facilities

You will benefit from access to a wide range of study resources and facilities, including print and electronic information services, in a scholarly setting.

The Institute in Paris Library is the primary source of support and research material for students and staff, offering subject-specific resources and access to dozens of electronic databases via the University of London's Senate House Library and our partnership with Queen Mary University of London.

Our Head of Library is on hand to introduce you to the facilities and services available, and to direct you towards any off-site provision.

We are committed to providing appropriate support to students with a disability or specific learning requirements.

## Libraries off-campus

Paris offers an extensive choice of public and institutional libraries – many in close proximity to the Institute – which you can access as a student here.

Many of these have substantial holdings in English, and you can also find specialist collections to complement your studies.

Through the Institute in Paris Library, students have access to the American Library in Paris, which is within walking distance. Postgraduate students may also access the Sciences Po Library if they wish.

Other Parisian libraries of interest include:

- Bibliothèque Interuniversitaire Sainte Geneviève
- Bibliothèque Nationale de France (BNF)
- Bibliothèque Publique d'Information in the Pompidou Centre.

As a student of the University of London, you can also make use of Senate House Library and Queen Mary libraries when in London.

“My favourite thing about the degree was being able to study the politics, history, and cultural elements of France, then step out of the door and be in the centre of Paris where that’s taking place. There is no better place to study French than in France, and you get to do that for three years and use the language that you’re learning about.”

Lauren Manley  
UK, BA French Studies with Business



# Degree programmes

## Undergraduate degrees

### International Politics

Our unique three-year International Politics course taught in English, with or without French, will allow you to learn the practical aspects of global politics while gaining invaluable international experience.

Degrees offered:

**BA International Politics**

**BA International Politics with French**

For more information, visit:

[bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Politics](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Politics) and

[bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Pol-French](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Pol-French)

### French Studies

Our three-year French Studies course, with or without Business, History or International Relations, lets you put your learning into practice on and off campus while developing your cultural awareness.

Degrees offered:

**BA French Studies**

**BA French Studies with History**

**BA French Studies with Business**

**BA French Studies with**

**International Relations**

For more information, visit:

[bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Studies](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Studies)

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## Postgraduate degree

### Urban History and Culture

Study two great urban laboratories: Paris and London. Through comparative experience, understand how the development of these two megacities has shaped the fabric of the world. Choose between a whole year in Paris or your second semester in London.

Degree offered:

**MA Urban History and Culture**

For more information, visit:

[bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture)

This postgraduate programme is offered in partnership with Queen Mary University of London.



**Queen Mary**  
University of London



“Being in Paris has been wonderful. I’ve really been able to see the politics I studied in class in action – like studying the yellow vest movement and then walking down the street and seeing the yellow vests. Being at a small, intimate institute where I really had a good connection with all my peers and my lecturers has been my favourite thing.”

Linnea Batey  
Sweden, BA International Politics

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# BA International Politics

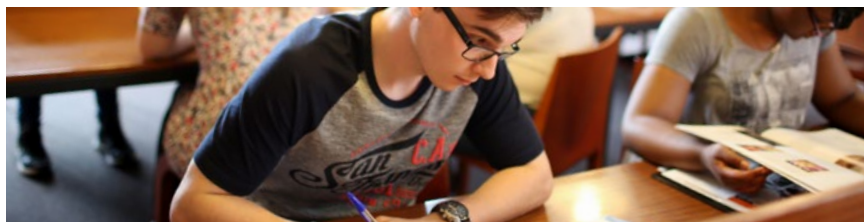
Our unique three-year degree, delivered entirely in English in the heart of Paris, will enable you to learn about ‘doing’ international politics while gaining international experience.

The course's immersive approach, blending traditional seminars with fieldwork, provides a firm theoretical and practical foundation for understanding international politics, and you will graduate with a respected University of London degree. You can also choose the programme with French as a minor in which case a French qualification is required.

## BA International Politics

UCAS code: L241

This unique three-year degree focuses on the practical aspects of international politics. You will develop an advanced understanding of state, non-state, governmental and non-governmental actors ‘doing’ international politics in the contemporary world. You will learn how these actors perform international politics and how theories and methods can be used to understand their actions. This course is taught in English. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Politics](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Politics)



## BA International Politics with French

UCAS code: L242

This major/minor three-year degree allows you to study international politics while developing and consolidating your French language skills. You will learn how different state, non-state, governmental and non-governmental actors perform international politics and how theories and methods can be used to understand their actions. You will also study cultural modules that will help you integrate into French life during and after your studies. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Pol-French](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-Int-Pol-French)

## Entry requirements

A level offer	IB offer
ABB	32 points (6,5,5)
With French: min B French	With French: min 5 French

Please note that this table is for guidance only, other qualifications may be considered.



## Three years in Paris

While the degree is delivered in English, living in Paris will allow you to familiarise yourself with another culture and improve your language skills.



## Immersive approach

A combination of traditional seminars and fieldwork provides a firm theoretical and practical foundation for understanding and participating in international politics.



## International experience

Studying at a UK institution in the heart of Paris will allow you to gain international experience and demonstrate to future employers your adaptability.



# BA French Studies

Our French Studies degrees offer an unrivalled opportunity to combine a UK university experience with everyday exposure to French language and culture for the full three years of your studies.

Supported by intensive small-group teaching, these courses will enable you to fully realise your academic potential and graduate with a prestigious University of London degree.

## BA French Studies

UCAS code: R110

With a majority of courses delivered and assessed in French, the degree will enable you to become a near-native speaker and show employers that you are mature and adaptable in an international environment. It will also prepare you for work in a range of disciplines including the humanities, international relations, law, education, translation, applied linguistics and communications. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Studies](http://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Studies)

## BA French Studies with History

UCAS code: RV10

This major/minor degree allows you to study the history of France while developing exceptional French language skills. You will gain an in-

depth knowledge and understanding of French history as well as historiographical methods. Everyday exposure to French life and language will allow you to put your learning into context. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-History](http://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-History)

## BA French Studies with Business

UCAS code: R11N

This major/minor degree offers both everyday exposure to French language and culture and a firm foundation in key strategic aspects of business. You will gain specialist knowledge in the economic, social and political environments affecting business organisations, with particular reference to European and francophone contexts. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Business](http://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Business)

## BA French Studies with International Relations

UCAS code: R1L2

This major/minor degree provides a grounding in various aspects of politics and international relations along with the opportunity to acquire a high level of proficiency in the French language. You will gain specialist knowledge of political and diplomatic issues in the francophone world, Europe and internationally. For more information, visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Int-Pol](http://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-French-Int-Pol)

## Entry requirements

A level offer	IB offer
ABB min B French	32 points min 6 French

Please note that this table is for guidance only, other qualifications may be considered.



### Three years in Paris

Not only will you be exposed to French language and culture on a daily basis, you'll also learn the ins and outs of French life.



### Immersive approach

Living in Paris while studying French Studies will allow you to connect with your environment and bring your learning to life.



### International experience

As well as becoming a near-native French speaker, you will demonstrate to future employers your maturity and adaptability.

“I felt really supported – it’s almost like a classroom setting, where it’s really interactive and you have small seminars, but at the same time you have a lot of freedom in terms of research. You have the independence to focus on your project, but you also know you have a supportive community around you.”

Flora Harrison  
UK, MA Urban History and Culture

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# MA Urban History and Culture

This degree provides a unique opportunity to study the social, political, cultural and economic development of two of the great urban environments of the Western world: Paris and London.

Immerse yourself in two cosmopolitan cities and benefit from exposure to the culture and traditions of two major European capitals, gaining invaluable inter-cultural understanding and experience.

## Immerse in French culture

Through site visits and analysis, you will explore how the growth

of city living and management shaped the fabric of the world. The degree, taught in English, enables you to develop your methodological approaches to what distinguishes and what connects Paris and London, while expanding these comparative insights towards a broader engagement with urban history and culture, and the challenges that cities face today.

Leading to a respected University of London degree, the course consists of four modules plus a dissertation and an assessed research methodology component. Two core modules will be delivered in the autumn term in Paris, taught by University of London Institute in Paris and Queen Mary academic

staff, and two optional modules taken from a range offered in Paris at the Institute in Paris and in London at Queen Mary in the second term. You can choose, therefore, between a split-site degree or a full year in Paris.

Graduates of this degree go on to careers and further study in a wide range of contexts. Many progress into urban planning, policy and advocacy, and roles at NGOs, charities and non-profits. Others have been successful in the museum sector, both in curation and research, as well as journalism and communications.

## Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant Humanities-related subject is required. Or a recognised equivalent from an accredited overseas institution.

For more information, visit:  
[bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture)



**1 year full-time**  
**2 years part-time**



**September intake**



**University of  
London degree**

# Careers advice, seminars and events

As a student of the Institute in Paris, you can access advice from both the Careers Group and Queen Mary's Careers and Enterprise service.

Whether you need help with writing a CV, developing your interview skills or planning further study once you graduate, you will benefit from support and services to help you make the most of the opportunities offered by your degree theories and methods can be used to understand their actions.

## How we support you:

- one-to-one appointments with a careers consultant, covering anything from career choice and job hunting through to CV and interview advice
- a comprehensive range of information and tools on the Careers and Enterprise webpages including: resources for global job hunting; industry guide; psychometric tests; advice on CVs and interviews
- access to the Careers Hub where you can register for online events including alumni panels, workshops and employer events, and search for opportunities such as micro-internships, work experience, graduate schemes and graduate jobs.



We organise seminars and workshops focusing on the wider French and European job markets to complement the advice and guidance offered by Queen Mary's Careers and Enterprise. Careers Talks with Institute in Paris alumni and other local professionals are organised both by the Institute and the Students' Union.

Once you graduate, you automatically become part of the global community of University

of London alumni. This gives you access to all the benefits and services offered by the University to its alumni, including three years of free careers advice offered through Queen Mary's Careers and Enterprise, alumni membership of Senate House Library, and invitations to events in Paris, London and around the world.



# Graduate employment

With the globalisation of markets, expertise in multiple languages is becoming increasingly important and candidates with intercultural skills are becoming more and more sought after by employers.

In addition, the invaluable international experience you gain during the course of your degree will make you stand out from the crowd, as your experience will demonstrate to future employers your ability to adapt and be independent, opening up a huge range of career opportunities. The skills developed in our programmes are highly valued, especially for anyone planning to embark on an international career.

**“The degree changed my perspective about the world, and it means that I will have better opportunities when I go back home.”**

**Aleksandra Piekarniak**  
Poland, French Studies with Business



**71 per cent of respondents** said that their language skills have given them a competitive edge in applying for jobs.

**6 per cent** said that language skills enabled them to apply for a wider range of jobs.



**Seven out of 10 firms** believe that future executives will need (foreign) language skills and international experience.



**More than one in three** respondents recommended studying a joint honours degree that involves a language and other subject disciplines.

British Academy Born Global data 2014

**“The classes are small, so you get to know your lecturers one-to-one, which is a really nice thing you wouldn’t normally get. It gives you the opportunity to move away but still receive the same benefits as if you were studying in the UK.”**

**Frank Mansell**  
UK, BA French Studies



# Student life in Paris

Paris truly has something for everyone – it's consistently ranked as one of the world's best student cities.

## Discover Parisian arts and culture

Living in Paris, you'll be able to enjoy not only its world-famous landmarks and museums, such as the Sacré-Coeur and the Musée du Louvre, but also its hidden gems. Paris has over 150 museums and galleries, many of which are free for those under 26 (and free for everyone on the first Sunday of the month).

Film festivals take place throughout the year, including the three-day Printemps du Cinéma and summer's outdoor Cinéma en plein air. The city is also home to a thriving performing arts scene, from live music and dance to comedy and theatre.

## Relaxing green spaces and waterways

The Institute overlooks the Esplanade des Invalides, where students often relax and picnic during summer. Other green spaces include the Jardin du Luxembourg, the Tuileries, and the beautiful Parc des Buttes-Chaumont.

Enjoy walks along the Canal Saint-Martin and the Seine with its many

bridges, including the spectacular Pont Alexandre III, just a few minutes' walk from the Institute.

## Get active

Paris has fantastic sport and exercise facilities, which are discounted for those under 26. Every district has at least two local swimming pools, as well as tennis courts and other activities. You can often find last-minute tickets to major sporting events at an affordable price.

## Live like a local

As a student here, you'll have the chance to experience Paris off the beaten path. Street markets selling fresh produce, flowers and bric-a-brac are great places to soak up the local atmosphere – the multi-ethnic Marché d'Aligre is known as one of the most diverse food markets in the city.

## Enjoy discounted travel

Life can be expensive in a major city, but plenty of discounts are available. The Imagine-R travel pass gives students under 26 unlimited travel in the Île-de-France region for half the cost of a regular Navigo monthly pass – and SNCF also offers youth railcards, so you can explore France on a budget!



# Accommodation, health and welfare

We want to make your experience of living and studying in Paris as rewarding and positive as possible.

## A wide choice of student accommodation

We provide detailed information about housing options for students in Paris. A guide to finding accommodation is updated annually and available from [contact@ulip.lon.ac.uk](mailto:contact@ulip.lon.ac.uk). You can also join our student Facebook group for support and advice.

Students can reserve a studio at a Nexity Studéa or Estudines student hall of residence, where flats are block-booked by the Institute, making this an easy option to arrange in advance of your arrival. The residences are located 30 minutes from campus. Studios are fully furnished with private bathrooms and most service charges are included.

For students who prefer to rent privately, the Institute can act as guarantor to help you secure accommodation.

Students can apply for housing benefit (CAF) from the French government, which can be between €120 and €220 per month depending on the type of accommodation.



## Healthcare and pastoral care

As a student at the Institute in Paris you will have access to French national health cover, the Sécurité sociale. You will need to register for this on a dedicated website, and we will provide all the required information. Students from the European Economic Area must ensure they have a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC).

Student, Academic and External Services operate an open-door

policy to offer advice and guidance to any student facing a practical difficulty during their time in France, so if you have any issues there is always someone to talk to.

You will also be assigned a personal adviser, a supportive and approachable member of the teaching staff who is there to help you with any problems or concerns you may have – whether you are homesick or are struggling with an assignment.

Accommodation type	Average price per month	Cost per academic year – 9 months	Cost per academic year with housing benefit
Nexity	€850–€950	€7650–€8550	€5898–€6798
Estudines	€750–€1100	€6750–€9900	€4998–€8148
Cité U	€500–€800	€4500–€7200	€3804–€6504
Private rental studio	€600–€1000	€5400–€9000	€3648–€7248
Flat sharing	€600–€900	€5400–€8100	€4432–€7132
Living with a family	€500–€900	€4500–€8100	€3532–€7132

# What are the next steps?

We realise that moving to Paris to pursue your studies may seem like a big leap. The guide below offers a quick overview and key resources to help you make an informed decision and prepare.

## 1 Visit our website

Take a look at our website to learn more about our various courses. On each degree's webpage, you will find the course description, structure, fees and funding, entry requirements and more.

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-study](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-study)

## 2 Learn about our location

The campus is located on the Esplanade des Invalides between Les Invalides and Pont Alexandre III, overlooking the Eiffel Tower. There are many things to see and explore within walking distance – have a look at our map and familiarise yourself with our surroundings.

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-campus](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-campus)



## 3 Attend an event or visit us

Find out if we are a good fit for you and meet us in person at one of our Open Days. Additionally, we regularly hold online events throughout the year, such as taster courses and online Q&As with students. Planning a trip to Paris? Let us know and we'd be happy to schedule a tour of the premises.

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-opendays](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-opendays) and [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-event](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-event)

## 4 Funding

At undergraduate level, you have access to financial support as if you were going to a university in the UK. At postgraduate level, the MA Urban History and Culture split-site option is eligible for a UK postgraduate loan, as 50 per cent of the degree is delivered in the UK. Please view the degree webpages for further information.

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-funding](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-funding)



## 5 Apply

If you are considering one of our undergraduate courses, you will need to apply via UCAS with the institution code P26. If you are considering a postgraduate degree, you will need to check the degree webpage for further instructions.

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-study](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-study) and [ucas.com](https://ucas.com)

## 6 Accommodation

Read our accommodation guide to find out about the available options. Did you know that France offers housing benefits that may reduce your living costs? While most of our students find their own accommodation, you may be able to book one of the studios from our block-booking in student halls (priority is given to undergraduate applicants).

Visit: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-accom](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-accom)

## 7 Moving to Paris guide

This guide includes:

- student loan applications
- French visa requirements (for up-to-date information, refer to: [france-visas.gouv.fr](https://france-visas.gouv.fr))
- financial planning
- accommodation
- medical insurance
- banking arrangements
- transportation
- using your phone in France.

Visit: [bit.ly/moving-to-paris-guide](https://bit.ly/moving-to-paris-guide)

“My advice to prospective students would be to make sure to really live in the city. Explore, spend your time getting to know the place. Spend some time being a tourist and then try to dig in and really live in Paris properly as much as you can and see how much you like it.”

**Gabriel Hughes**  
BA International Politics with French



# How to apply and entry requirements



Our aim is to make the application process as simple as possible for you.

## Undergraduate

All undergraduate applications, including those from international students and mature students, should be made through the Universities and Colleges Admissions System (UCAS) website at [ucas.ac.uk](https://ucas.ac.uk)

### Entry requirements:

- general entrance requirements (please view degree webpage) and
- English language requirements (we may require a test of proficiency in English).

### Selection process:

- If you are shortlisted, you may be invited to a phone interview.
- All shortlisted candidates and those holding offers are invited to attend our Journée de Rencontres. This event offers an opportunity to visit the Institute and meet staff and current students. Parents or other guests are most welcome to accompany prospective students.

## Postgraduate

Details of the application procedure and entry requirements for the MA Urban History and Culture are available on the Institute in Paris website: [bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture](https://bit.ly/UoL-Paris-History-Culture)

Applications to study for an MPhil or PhD are made through the School of Advanced Study. Before submitting an application, please contact the Institute in Paris to discuss your application.

For further information about all of our degree programme, visit: [london.ac.uk/institute-paris](https://london.ac.uk/institute-paris)





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