



## SPAB1BA - Introduction

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Are you interested in the world around you and the way in which political power is exercised at national, European and international level?

Completing a bachelor's degree in political science in a bilingual French-English programme is an asset for your future studies and career in an international environment.

The bilingual French-English bachelor's programme in political science at the Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus allows you to take part of your programme in English. Students take part of their programme in a language other than French, which amounts to three course units per year in English for the bilingual French/English programme.

The bachelor's degree in political science mainly involves learning how to understand the mechanisms of power which govern today's world:

- How are decisions made, and at which levels of power?
- Who actually influences decisions and in whose interest?
- What are the main systems of political power both historically and throughout the world?
- How can we explain their emergence, evolution, successes and difficulties?
- What are the main contemporary issues at national, European and global level? Who do they oppose? What are the power relationships involved? What are the possible outcomes?

These are just some of the questions which political science provides answers to through various specialised areas: political parties and interest groups, electoral studies, international relations, political regimes, etc.

But power does not operate in isolation. Courses in sociology, history, law, economics and philosophy shed light on human relations in general, as well as on how they function and evolve. Finally, in order to decipher a political issue, it is necessary to master the tools for gathering and analysing the data required for a scientific understanding of human phenomena: documentary research, field observations, interviews, opinion polls, statistical analyses, etc.

#### Your profile

Would you like to understand the issues and political and social transformations in contemporary societies? Would you like to play an active role at local, national, European and international level?

An open mind, intellectual curiosity, knowledge of English and constant attention to current events are basic prerequisites for



## SPAB1BA - Teaching profile

### Learning outcomes

By the end of their bilingual French-English bachelor's degree in political science, students will have acquired:

#### **I A grounding in the core teachings and methods of the discipline of political science**

- A command of the fundamentals of political science and its epistemological grounding, with a view to addressing the key research issues of the discipline
- A thorough grounding in political science, in its various branches: international relations, European studies, (national) political institutions and regimes, studies of political parties and pressure groups, analysis of public policies and political ideas, etc.

#### **II Basic knowledge in fields complementary to political science**

- The ability to draw on interdisciplinary knowledge from various fields of the humanities and social sciences in order to analyse contemporary or historical social phenomena
- General knowledge of the humanities and social sciences, based on an understanding of the main postulates and teachings of the various disciplines, as well as their methods and the related ethical issues

#### **III A grounding in the scientific method**

- The ability to apply the rules and ethical principles of the scientific approach in political science
- The ability to gather and analyse quantitative and qualitative empirical data with discernment
  - The gradual ability to produce analytical work on contemporary political issues, on their own or as part of a team
  - The gradual ability to gather information using the most relevant data collection methods (statistics, etc.)
- The ability to carry out an analysis independently as well as jointly with peers
- Critical thinking and independent judgement
- The ability to analyse information, based on a review of the relevant literature and the most appropriate analytical methods

#### **IV High-level written and oral communication skills in French, English and Dutch**

- The ability to communicate the results of an analysis in a clear, coherent, structured and well-presented manner, in both written and oral form in French, English and Dutch
- The ability to take a course and the oral or written exam in English and Dutch
- Fluency in spoken and written English and Dutch; more specifically, the ability to carry on an everyday conversation and to communicate about the subjects and analyses of political science
- A familiarisation with an environment in a language other than their own (stays abroad with the possibility of an Erasmus exchange with a partner university in the third year of the bachelor's programme)

## Detailed programme by subject

- Mandatory
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- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
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- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Year

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### o Content:

#### o Political Sciences

○ BESPO1165	Political Science	Emmanuel Klimis	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X		
○ BPOLS1112	The Political Institutions of Belgium	Yannick Vanderborght	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	X		
○ BSPOL1312	International relations ■	Valentina Brogna (compensates Amandine Orsini)	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		X	
○ BSPOL1214	Political Doctrines ■					



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<input type="radio"/> BANGL1292	English II 	Gerlanda Cipolla Sebastiano Ferrari Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	EN [q1+q2] [0h+60h] [5 Credits] 		x	
<input type="radio"/> BNEER1282	Dutch II  <i>Student who replaced the course unit of Dutch I the First Year by Dutch for Beginners I or Spanish I should follow the Second Year, the same course unit, higher level (Dutch for Beginners II or Spanish II). Additional informations are available at the Faculty secretariat.</i>	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.) Barbara Fraipont	NE [q1+q2] [0h+60h] [5 Credits] 		x	

Choose one course among the following :

<input checked="" type="radio"/> BANGL1392	English III 	Gerlanda Cipolla Marleen Cré Julie George Garkov Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	EN [q1] [0h+30h] [5 Credits] 			
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✘ BCOMU1212	Social-history of media 📄	Geoffroy Patriarche	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			X
✘ BCOMU1317	Public space, knowledge and media 📄	Marie Dufrasne	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			X
✘ BHIST1310	Images, films and society	Nathalie Tousignant	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			X
✘ BCOMU1313	International communications 📄	Georgios Terzis	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			X
✘ BPOLS1320	Media and politics 📄	Dave Sinardet	NL [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			X
✘ BPOLS1252	Anthropology: special topics 📄	Jean-Pierre Delchambre				



## Course prerequisites

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The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

These activities are also identified **in the detailed programme**: their title is followed by a yellow square.

### Prerequisites and student's annual programme

As the prerequisite is for CU registration purposes only, there are no prerequisites within a programme year. Prerequisites are defined between CUs of different years and therefore influence the order in which the student will be able to register for the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the jury validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures its coherence, meaning that it may:

- require the student to combine registration in two separate CUs which it considers necessary from a pedagogical point of view.
- transform a prerequisite into a corequisite if the student is in the final year of a degree course.

For more information, please consult the [Academic Regulations and Procedures](#).

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### # Prerequisites list

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- BESPO1170 - Economics I
- BPOLS1127 - Economics II
- BHDPO1315** "EU politics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
- BHDPO1316** "Mutations et politiques urbaines " has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BHDPO1317** "Partis politiques et groupes d'intérêt" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
- BNEER1282** "Néerlandais II" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1183
  - BNEER1183 - Dutch I
- BNEER1382** "Néerlandais III" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1282
  - BNEER1282 - Dutch II
- BPOLS1120** "Droit public" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1176
  - BESPO1176 - Law
- BPOLS1233** "Méthodes quantitatives II: Statistique" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
  - BPOLS1231 - Approach and methods in social sciences
- BPOLS1252** "Questions spéciales d'anthropologie" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160 OU BPOLS1111
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
  - BPOLS1111 - Anthropology
- BPOLS1320** "Media en politiek" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OU BPOLS1114
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
  - BPOLS1114 - Communication science
- BPOLS1321** "Society and Environment" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OU BESPO1160
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BPOLS1330** "Méthodes quantitatives I: Production des données" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
  - BPOLS1231 - Approach and methods in social sciences
- BPOLS1331** "Méthodes quantitatives III: Analyse des données" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1233 ET BPOLS1330
  - BPOLS1233 - Quantitative methods II: statistics
  - BPOLS1330 - Quantitative methods I: data production
- BPOLS1352** "Ateliers" has prerequisite(s) BSOCA1330 ET BPOLS1330 ET BPOLS1231
  - BSOCA1330 - Field methods: observation and interviews
  - BPOLS1330 - Quantitative methods I: data production
  - BPOLS1231 - Approach and methods in social sciences
- BSOCA1210** "Sociologie de la culture" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1211** "Analyse des théories sociologiques" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1310** "Sociologie de l'action collective" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1312** "Socio-anthropologie du symbolique" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1313** "Sociologie historique de l'intégration européenne" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1160
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1314** "Milieu en samenleving" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OU BESPO1160
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSOCA1315** "Analyses et théories du pouvoir" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1114 OU BESPO1160 OU BESPO1165
  - BPOLS1114 - Communication science
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
- BSOCA1330** "Méthodes de terrain: Observation et entretiens" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
  - BPOLS1231 - Approach and methods in social sciences
- BSPOL1210** "Sociologie politique" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165 OU BESPO1160
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
  - BESPO1160 - Sociology
- BSPOL1214** "Doctrines politiques" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
  - BESPO1165 - Political Science
- BSPOL1215**





**SPAB1BA - 2ND ANNUAL UNIT**

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**o Content:**

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**o Political Sciences**

● BSPOL1312	International relations ■	Valentina Brogna (compensates Amandine Orsini)	🗣️ [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
● BSPOL1214			

● BNEER1282	<b>Dutch II</b>  <i>Student who replaced the course unit of Dutch I the First Year by Dutch for Beginners I or Spanish I should follow the Second Year, the same course unit, higher level (Dutch for Beginners II or Spanish II). Additional informations are available at the Faculty secretariat.</i>	<b>Isolde Boutsen (coord.)</b> <b>Astrid De Munter (coord.)</b> <b>Barbara Fraipont</b>	<b>NU</b> [q1+q2] [0h +60h] [5 Credits] 
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## o Group Project

BPOLS1352	Multidisciplinary workshop	Benjamin Denis Marie Dufrasne Sophie Jacquot Emmanuelle Lenel Renaud Maes (compensates Abraham Franssen) Youri Vertongen	FB [q1+q2] [30h] [5 Credits]
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## o Languages

### o Choose one course among the following :

BANGL1392	English III	Gerlanda Cipolla Marleen Cré Julie George Garkov Françoise Longrée (coord.) Erwin Ochsenmeier (coord.) Madeline Riordan	FB [q1] [0h +30h] [5 Credits]
BNEER1382	Dutch III	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.)	FL [q1] [0h +30h] [5 Credits]

## o Optional Courses

List of optional units to be chosen, in place of course unit "Labour, employment and social protection":

BHIST1312	Historical anthropology	Eric Bousmar	FB [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]
BHDPO1321	Law, Governance and Sustainable development	Marie-Sophie de Clippele (coord.) Delphine Misonne	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BHIST1311	Introduction to historical geography	Sébastien Dubois	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BHIST1284	History of Modern Times	Serge Dauchy Philippe Desmette	FB [q1] [60h] [5 Credits]
BREL1000	Occidental Religions and Society : judaism, christianity, islam	Benoît Bourguine Farid El Asri Raphaël Gély (coord.) David Lemler	FB [q1] [45h] [5 Credits]
BCOMU1310	Semiotics	Anne-Sophie Collard	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BCOMU1250	Media reception and media use	Geoffroy Patriarche	FB [q1] [30h +14h] [5 Credits]
BCOMU1316	Issues and practices of journalism	Marie Dufrasne	FB [q1] [30h +15h] [5 Credits]
BSOCA1211	Analysis of sociological theories	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BSOCA1312	Socio-anthropology of the symbolic	Olivier Schmitz (compensates Jean- Pierre Delchambre)	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BHDPO1316	Transformations and urban politics	Emmanuelle Lenel	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]
BSOCA1210	Sociology of culture	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FB [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]





✘ BDROI1340	General Theory of the State and the European Union 🇫🇷	Hugues Dumont	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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✘ Optional choice of one course unit among :

✘ BCOMU1210	Communication, culture and social interactions 🇫🇷	Geoffroy Patriarche	FR [q2] [30h +6h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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✘ BCOMU1213	Intercultural communication 🇫🇷	Greet De Baets	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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✘ Optional choice of one course unit among :



- For any secondary school diploma **from a European Union country**, the admission request must contain the equivalence of your diploma or, at the very least, proof of the filing of the equivalence request with the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (French Community of Belgium). For any information relating to obtaining an equivalence, please refer to [the following site](#).
- For any secondary school diploma **from a country outside the European Union**, the admission application must contain the [equivalence of your diploma](#) issued by the Wallonia-Brussels Federation (French Community of Belgium). If you have a restrictive equivalence for the programme of your choice, in addition of it, you **must** have either the [DAES](#) or a certificate of successful completion of the [examination giving access to 1<sup>st</sup> cycle studies](#) when you submit your application

## Access based on validation of professional experience

Admission to undergraduate studies on the basis of accreditation of knowledge and skills obtained throughence





