

STUDY ABROAD IN JAPAN AND SOUTH KOREA

Prepare your 3rd year



CONGRATULATIONS!

You have been **preselected!**

Please follow the steps carefully (deadlines, documents, etc.)
in order **to get accepted by the host university**



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Get ready!

- I. Read books, travel guides and **study abroad reports**! Watch movies, documentaries and series!
- II. Get in touch with **Japanese and Korean students** on exchange at Sciences Po and with **Sciences Po students currently on exchange** or back from exchange in Japan or Korea!
- III. **Consult the available fact sheets/information** available for each university at
<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1qiqv3z0KltCnJhoWowy6pKrDQcFI7jU>

Remember: during your exchange
you are ambassadors of Sciences Po

Application to the host university

- Please **do not contact your host university directly** until you are asked to do so. You will receive the appropriate communication in due course
- All questions concerning your application process should be addressed to **Marie VALIN-COLIN** (Japan) and **Sophie ECLAPPIER** (Korea) at the APAMO Centre
- **Observe the deadlines** set out by the APAMO Centre

Visa application

- **You are responsible for the visa procedure**
- Make sure **your passport is valid for the length of your stay**
- **Wait until you get officially accepted** in the host university to start the student visa procedure*
- You normally can apply for a VISA from your country of residence and/or origin
- Apply at the Korean or Japanese consulate (or at the Japanese embassy)
- Visa costs:
 - Japan(College Student VISA): 21 € single-entry / 43 € multiple-entry**
 - Korea (D-2 General Student VISA): 54 €

** Depending on the university in Japan, to obtain a Certificate of Eligibility, students must be able to provide an official proof that they will have a minimum of 120,000 JPY per month (1000€) during their stay*

***A student visa should allow you to work up to 20 hours a week*

Flight tickets

- **Please do NOT buy your flight tickets before you get officially accepted** by the host university
- We recommend that you arrive **7 days before** the starting date of your first semester abroad (depending on the dates granted by your visa)
- Should you buy a flight ticket much in advance of your classes, you may not be able to enter the country as VISAS are normally granted for a start corresponding to the start of classes

Academic requirements

I. REGISTER FOR AND VALIDATE THE EQUIVALENT OF AT LEAST 60 ECTS

JAPAN: Comply with Sciences Po individual credit requirement for each university (see next page)

KOREA: minimum workload per semester is calculated in 12 Korean credits (equivalent to 30 ECTS)*

II. REGISTER FOR AND VALIDATE THE EQUIVALENT OF 40% OF YOUR COURSES WITHIN YOUR MAJOR

Check the Discipline/Major equivalence [online](#)

JAPAN : Comply with Sciences Po individual Major credit requirements for each university (*see next page*)

KOREA: major validation per semester is calculated in 5 Korean credits

We strongly recommend you validate most of your Major-related courses during the 1st semester

**For the Korean language programme: 2 social sciences units per semester on top of the language courses*

Academic requirements

JAPAN: SCIENCES PO INDIVIDUAL CREDIT AND MAJOR REQUIREMENT **FOR EACH UNIVERSITY***

HOKKAIDO: Minimum 22 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 9 Japanese credits per year

HITOTSUBASHI: Minimum 22 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 9 Japanese credits per year

KEIO: Minimum 22 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 9 Japanese credits per year

SOPHIA: Minimum 28 Japanese credits per year (14 per semester). Major: 11 Japanese credits per year

TODAI: Minimum 28 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 14 Japanese credits per year

TUFS: Minimum 22 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 9 Japanese credits per year

WASEDA: Minimum 26 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 10 Japanese credits per year

DOSHISHA: Minimum 22 Japanese credits per year (11 per semester). Major: 9 Japanese credits per year

KYODAI: Minimum 20 Japanese credits per year (10 per semester). Major: 8 Japanese credits per year

KUFS: Language programme. Minimum 30 Japanese credits per year (15 per semester). Major: 12 Japanese credits per year

**For the Japanese language programme: 2 social sciences units per semester on top of the language courses*

Academic requirements

III. GEOGRAPHICAL SPECIALISATION: Validate 2 courses related to your area (max. 1 language course)

IV. COMMUNICATE the definitive list of courses for which you have effectively registered to Anna Dall'Oca no later than 2 weeks after classes start, each semester. (You will also be asked to declare your courses online throughout the year)

Academic requirements

- Submit your **Rapport de séjour** to the International Affairs Division at the end of your 3rd year
- Submit your **Grand Ecrit** (*details will be provided by the Collège Universitaire*)
- Throughout your year or semester abroad, communicate **any questions or difficulties to your regional manager** at Sciences Po: Anna Dall'Oca
- Send each semester your **transcripts** to **Student Mobility Division** (notes.sejour@sciencespo.fr)

Residence permit

- **For Korea:** Register immigration office in Seoul to get the **Alien Registration Card**

You will need:

- your passport
- a photo of the kind used for passport
- the registration certificate delivered from your host university
- the registration form (to be completed onsite)

- **For Japan:** Register at the municipality of your district within 15 days of arrival

Academic calendar

- **The academic calendar is reversed** in Japan and South Korea!
1st semester → 2nd semester
2nd semester → 1st semester of the next academic year
- **In Japan:**
 - 1st semester: Beginning of October to mid-January
 - 2nd semester: Beginning of April to the end of July
- **In South Korea:**
 - 1st semester: Beginning of September to the end of December
 - 2nd semester: Beginning of March to the end of June

Insurance

- Sciences Po provides you with MAIF insurance for **repatriation and civil liability** (see the conditions online)

- **Student health insurance**
 - Ask information to the partner university once you finalise your administrative enrollment
 - Monthly cost: around 10-15€ in Japan*/ 10€ in Korea

*Students are required by law to join the Japanese National Health Insurance Scheme (NHI), which will allow for a 70% discount in payment for the all basic medical treatments at the hospitals/clinics in Japan, including dental treatment.

Tuition fees

- **You must NOT pay tuition fees to the host university.** Tuition fees are paid to your home university (Sciences Po) as per our exchange agreement
- **Only activity/registration fees may apply** in some universities
- At Doshisha University: Educational Support fee around 2,500JPY/20€ per semester (fee subject to change)

Other costs

- **You are responsible for supporting yourself while on exchange** (housing, books, transportation, etc.). Cost of life may apply as follows:
 - From 1000 € to 1200 € per month in Japan (only @Hitotsubashi around 500 €)
 - About 1000 € per month in South Korea

- **Housing** can be provided by the host university → the partner university will inform you of the availabilities of student housing

Mobility grants

- If you are a Sciences Po scholarship recipients you shall be able to continue receiving funds throughout your 3rd year
- Apply to Sciences Po's **International Mobility Fund**
- **CROUS, CRIF (Ile-de-France) or other regions**
- **Visit the dedicated page on Sciences Po website:**
www.sciencespo.fr/students/en/fees-funding/bursaries-financial-aid/mobility-grants

ENJOY YOUR 3RD YEAR ABROAD!

Thank you for your attention



Further questions? Anna Dall'Oca
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