

# CamPo call for proposals 2025

## Scheme Notes

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### About CamPo

The CamPo programme stems from the Cambridge-Sciences Po Research Partnership, a flagship initiative that started in 2017 in the fields of the humanities and the social sciences, with cross-school collaboration becoming an important element of the initiative.

The CamPo collaboration has now expanded beyond the humanities and the social sciences, with examples of projects from the School of Arts and Humanities, Technology and Physical Sciences and extended to other disciplines including but not limited to Architecture, Geography and Business. This important cross-school dimension of the CamPo scheme will be further developed in the next funding Phase with the aim to develop other innovative projects in relevant cross-disciplinary fields and of mutual benefit.

A new round of applications for proposals in 2025 is now open. Interested candidates can apply online to the relevant research streams below:

[Collaborative Research](#);

[Faculty Exchange](#);

[PhD Exchange](#).

Applications should be submitted by 31 January 2025. Outcomes will be announced in week commencing 17 February.

The schemes are not mutually exclusive but if your Collaborative Research project proposal includes a Faculty Exchange, you will need to apply for each element separately.

Please review the full details of the CamPo scheme below regarding eligibility criteria, funding, and more are provided below.

Any enquiries you may have can be made to: [campo@admin.cam.ac.uk](mailto:campo@admin.cam.ac.uk).

## Collaborative Research

Interested researchers are invited to discuss their ideas with either Professor Claire Colomb [cmc228@cam.ac.uk](mailto:cmc228@cam.ac.uk) (UoC), or Professor Colin Hay (Sciences Po) [colin.hay@sciencespo.fr](mailto:colin.hay@sciencespo.fr).

CamPo projects should be aligned with the following criteria for success:

- A range of academic publications and public policy contributions stemming from the various research collaboration efforts;
- Successful follow-on applications for large scale research funding that includes Cambridge and Sciences Po as leading members of a wider consortium or as co-investigators;
- A sustainable Anglo-French collaborative relationship in their specific area.

Each proposal may be submitted by either the Cambridge or Sciences Po partner but must have partners from both institutions in all cases.

### Funding available

A total of £7.5k is available for projects that can be completed by 1 December 2025.

#### Eligible costs:

- Accommodation and travel;
- Direct costs of conferences, workshops and seminars for Cambridge and Sciences Po colleagues;
- Direct costs of research projects (including research assistance).

#### Ineligible costs:

- Salaries of tenured staff, other stipends and indirect costs;
- Accommodation and travel for external delegates to conferences, workshops, seminars.

Applicants are welcome to pledge match-funding of their own in order to maximise scale, and/or to seek additional support through external funding.

All expenditure must be processed by 1 December 2025.

## Eligibility

### Cambridge applicants

Applications are invited from researchers active in the arts, humanities and social sciences who hold a contract of employment with either the University or the Colleges (i.e. CTO, JRF and postdocs are eligible, but not visiting or affiliated researchers). Emeritus staff are not eligible to apply.

Awards may only be held via a Faculty or Department. Staff applying from a College or other independent institution will be asked to indicate in their application which Faculty or Department they are affiliated to.

### Sciences Po applicants

Applications are invited from the permanent faculty staff of Sciences Po, i.e. researchers from the CNRS or the FNSP, university professors and readers, and FNSP assistant, associate or full professors for all supported activities. Postdocs are also eligible. Emeritus staff are not eligible to apply.

## Selection process and criteria

Applicants should provide the following documentation of up to two A4 pages in PDF format:

- A project description including the intellectual rationale, objectives, plan of activities;
- Itemised costs (using the template provided);
- CVs for the main applicants from both institutions;
- For projects in which a visit is foreseen, an agreement letter on behalf of the Director of the concerned research unit or Head of Department.

A committee comprising Sciences Po and Cambridge members will jointly determine which projects will be funded.

## Reporting

As a condition of the award, each awardee will be asked to provide a statement of expenditure and a brief report on the outcomes of the project and the extent to which the specific aims/outputs have been achieved. The CamPo scheme should be credited in any outputs facilitated by this award.

A report template will be provided with the award letter.

Reports are due within thirty days of the end-date proposed in the original application.

## Faculty Exchange

Interested researchers are invited to spend a month collaborating from a base in their non-home institution. The scheme is open to one faculty member per institution per year.

### Funding and Resources

The award provides £3,900 or equivalent in euros, to support maintenance costs, plus bench fees for a visiting researcher, **for approximately one month**. This is based on the following estimations:

- Accommodation: £1,800
- Maintenance: £1,500
- Travel: £300
- Bench fees: £300 (If applicable)

As visiting researchers, CamPo researchers will have access to all the institutional support provided at Sciences Po or in Cambridge.

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### Selection process and criteria

Applicants should provide the following documentation of up to two A4 pages in PDF format:

- a project description which includes the intellectual rationale, objectives, a plan of activities and budget outline;
- their CV;
- a short letter confirming that their academic visit will be hosted by the relevant department.

## Reporting

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## Doctoral Exchange

CamPo includes a funded doctoral exchange programme between the two institutions.

On the Sciences Po side, candidates would be expected to seek funding from the École de la Recherche (which has a designated fund to support doctoral visits and exchanges such as CamPo).

The CamPo exchange offers a fee-waiver between Cambridge and Sciences Po. As visiting students, CamPo PhD students will have access to all the institutional support.

The scheme is open to all social science PhD students within the six schools of Cambridge University and PhD students within all of Sciences Po's research centres.

### *a. Funding and Resources*

- In Paris, visiting CamPo PhD students will be affiliated with one of the Sciences Po [research centres](#) and with the École de la Recherche. They will have access to desk space in one of the research centres (whenever possible and usually in a shared open space), a library card and access to Sciences Po online resources. Students will be assigned a member of the faculty as their institutional point of contact at Science Po. The Sciences Po [student handbook](#) includes semesters' dates and other relevant information.
- In Cambridge, visiting CamPo PhD students will be affiliated with a host department and provided with desk space (whenever possible and usually in a shared open space), a library card and access to Cambridge online resources.
  - o Students will be assigned a member of the faculty as their institutional point of contact. Visiting CamPo PhD students will be encouraged to play a full part in the academic life of the host department. Here are the University of [Cambridge term dates](#) for information.
  - o Students visiting Cambridge, also be affiliated with Clare Hall College, subject to availability, students may be able to arrange rental accommodation through the college after confirmation of award. Accommodation may also be found at other colleges, via the University of Cambridge [Accommodation Service](#) or in the private sector.
- Students are expected to arrange their own accommodation for the duration of their visit to Paris or Cambridge.
- Students may claim up to £500 towards expenses such as maintenance, accommodation and travel incurred during their visit. This will be subject to their department's expenses claim policy and upon submission of original receipts. Claims may be submitted after the visit.

All expenditure must be processed by 1 December 2025

*b. Eligibility*

All PhD students active in or with a link to the arts, humanities and social sciences whose research would benefit from spending **up to three months** in their non-home institution are encouraged to apply to this programme.

Visiting students should arrange their stay so that it coincides with the teaching terms in Cambridge and Paris.

It is essential to seek support from an academic sponsor in the department they wish to visit before applying and confirm with the department/faculty that they are prepared to support their exchange.

*c. Selection process and criteria*

Applicants should provide the following documentation of up to two A4 pages in PDF format:

- a short description of their PhD project;
- their CV;
- a letter of recommendation from their supervisor (aimed at supporting the application);
- a letter for support from the host department (a template is provided within the application form).

*d. Reporting*

As a condition of the award, each awardee will be asked to provide a brief report about their exchange. The CamPo scheme should be credited in any outputs facilitated by this award.

A report template will be provided with the award letter.

Reports are due within thirty days of the end-date proposed in the original application.