Grand Oral de Sciences Po / List of topics for PSIA

May 2023

To fulfil the requirements for the Grand Oral examination you need to:

- 1. Choose a topic from the list below that you can relate to your 3rd semester or gap year internship or 3rd semester academic exchange and choose the language of your examination (English or French).
- 2. Prepare a written executive summary (800 words in English or French) related to your topic and experience.
- 3. Give an oral presentation based on your executive summary on the day of your Grand Oral in the same language as your executive summary, in person, on campus.

The use of force in international affairs

The role of strategy in international affairs

The role of soft power in international affairs

The impact of new technologies on international affairs

New technologies and geopolitical risks

Foreign policy in the 21st century

Intelligence in the 21st century

Counter-terrorism in the 21st century

Global governance in the 21st century

Global risks in the 21st century

Contemporary challenges in global trade

The rise of regional hegemons

Challenges to democracy in the 21st century

Diplomacy for the 21st century

Contemporary challenges in multilateralism

Contemporary challenges in human rights

Controversies and critiques in humanitarian action

International human rights mechanisms and their limitations

Freedom of movement

Inequality and social justice

Inequality and conflict

Environmental degradation and inequality

Financing the ecological transition

Social entrepreneurship and innovation for development

Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Climate change risks and vulnerabilities

Challenges to environmental / biodiversity governance

A just ecological transition

Models of sustainable economic development

Energy in International Relations

Energy transition and environmental impacts

Financing sustainable development

Energy and the politics of decarbonisation

Gender in Development: Policy and Practice

Gender, Globalization and Human Rights

Gender in Conflict and Peacebuilding