Information Sheet – Exchanges 2019-2020

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#### Exchange Academic Advisers in the faculties/schools
[go.epfl.ch/contacts-incoming](http://go.epfl.ch/contacts-incoming)

### Studies

#### Semester periods
- **Autumn semester 2019:** 17.09.2019 - 20.12.2019
- **Spring semester 2020:** 17.02.2020 - 28.05.2020

#### Examination periods
- **Winter session:** 13.01.2020 - 01.02.2020
- **Summer session:** 15.06.2020 - 04.07.2020

#### Courses and study plans
[go.epfl.ch/studies](http://go.epfl.ch/studies)
Incoming exchange students are requested to register for 20-30 ECTS per semester.
Courses in Management of Technology and Financial Engineering are restricted and only possible to take under special request.

#### Restricted courses
Please be mindful of the restricted courses list:
[go.epfl.ch/studies](http://go.epfl.ch/studies)

#### Courses registration deadline
Students must register online for the courses no later than 2 weeks after the semester starts.
**Academic Information**

**Academic Structure**
- Bachelor = 3 years
- Master = 2 years

**Language of instruction**
- Bachelor program: French (mainly) & English (depending on programs).
- Master program: English (mainly) & French.

**Language requirements**
- It is strongly recommended to have a B2 level in French. No certificate is required.

**Credit system**
- ECTS (European Credit Transfer System)
  - Workload for a fulltime student:
    - 30 ECTS per semester
    - 60 ECTS per academic year
  - 1 ECTS = 1 hour course per week

**Marking system**
- Excellent 6.0
- Very good 5.5
- Good 5.0
- Satisfactory 4.5
- Pass 4.0
- Nearly sufficient 3.5
- Insufficient 3.0
- Poor 2.5
- Very poor 2.0
- Non measurable 1.0

**Official Academic Transcript of Records**
- Sent to the exchange students one month after the exam period.

**Exchange Procedure**

**Nomination procedure**
- Per email to the Student Exchange Office mentioning students’ first name, last name, email address, field and period of study.

**Nomination & Application deadlines**
- Academic year 2019-2020: 15th April 2019
- Autumn semester 2019: 15th April 2019
- Spring semester 2020: 15th October 2019

**Application procedure**
- [epfl.ch/education/international/en/coming-to-epfl](http://epfl.ch/education/international/en/coming-to-epfl)

**Practical Information**

**Accommodation**
- [go.epfl.ch/housing](http://go.epfl.ch/housing)

**Language Course**
- (Only French courses for exchange students)
  - Intensive Course:
    - Mid-August – application deadline: mid-July
    - Mid-January - application deadline: mid-December
  - Online application: [epfl.ch/campus/services/internal-trainings/language-centre/](http://epfl.ch/campus/services/internal-trainings/language-centre/)
  - Courses are free of charge for exchange students.

**Visa**
- [go.epfl.ch/visa-en](http://go.epfl.ch/visa-en)
  - It takes up to three months to get a visa.

**Insurance**
- [go.epfl.ch/insurances](http://go.epfl.ch/insurances)