

Dear Student,

You will soon be arriving on campus for an exchange program. We look forward to welcoming you.

Here is some important information regarding the academic organisation of your semester at the Global Studies Institute (GSI).

The Global Studies Institute

The process of globalisation that transforms the world since the beginning of the twenty-first century also

imposes changes in the production and transmission of knowledge in academia. With this in mind, the Global Studies Institute was established in 2013.

The GSI is a globally focused institute. It offers a Bachelor in International Relations (BARI), as well as Masters in European Studies, Russia-Median Europe, Middle East, African Studies and Global Health.

GSI's website: <https://www.unige.ch/gsi/fr/>



Home Faculty/Institute

Exchange students are attached to a Faculty or an Institute. You are required to check to which Faculty/Institute you are attached, and follow the guidelines for exchange students of that structure.

Exchange students can take courses in up to two Faculties/Institutes. This document is intended for students attached to the GSI, but also for those attached to other Faculties/Institutes who would like to take courses at the GSI.

GSI Academic Calendar

It is very important that you take note of GSI's academic calendar, which is available [here](#):

Important:

- All UNIGE Faculties/Institutes have their own academic calendar.
- The semester ends on the last day of the examination session. Important: Examinations must be taken in person at UNIGE during the sessions set by GSI.

Choice of courses

As an exchange student, you are free to choose the courses you want and create your own weekly schedule.

The **course catalogue** offered at GSI is available [here](#). Using the catalogue, you will be able to check the number of credits per course, a description, the method of examination, as well as the schedule.

Restrictions

You must take into account certain restrictions imposed by GSI:

1. Bachelor students are not allowed to take Master courses, and vice-versa.
2. Other restrictions specific to GSI courses are available [here](#).

Registration for courses/exams

When registering for a course, you will automatically be registered for the exam.

Students attached to GSI (included GGSN)

- **Bachelor and Master Students:** Registration for courses is done online, through the [student portal](#), according to the deadline given by the academic calendar.

Registration deadline for courses/exams

According to GSI academic calendar, the registration deadline for courses/exams :

- **Fall semester 2025/26** : October 13, 2025
- **Spring semester 2026** : March 9, 2026

Cancellation/Modification of a registration

The enrolment deadline is set a few weeks after the start of the semester, so you have time to audit

different classes and establish a final curriculum.

Thus, cancellations or modifications are not allowed **after** :

- October 13, 2025 for **Fall semester 2025/26**
- March 9, 2026 for **Spring semester 2026**

GSI Welcome session

All students taking courses at GSI are required to participate in the welcome info session. During the session, details related to teaching, registration, examinations, etc. will be provided and you will be able to ask questions.

Info sessions :

- **Friday 12 September 2025 at 14:15 p.m. in room MR060 (Uni Mail)**

You will find more information on the "Mobilité IN" webpage, which is intended to you:

<https://www.unige.ch/gsi/fr/mobilite/mobilite-in/>