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Academic Advisor

For exchange students
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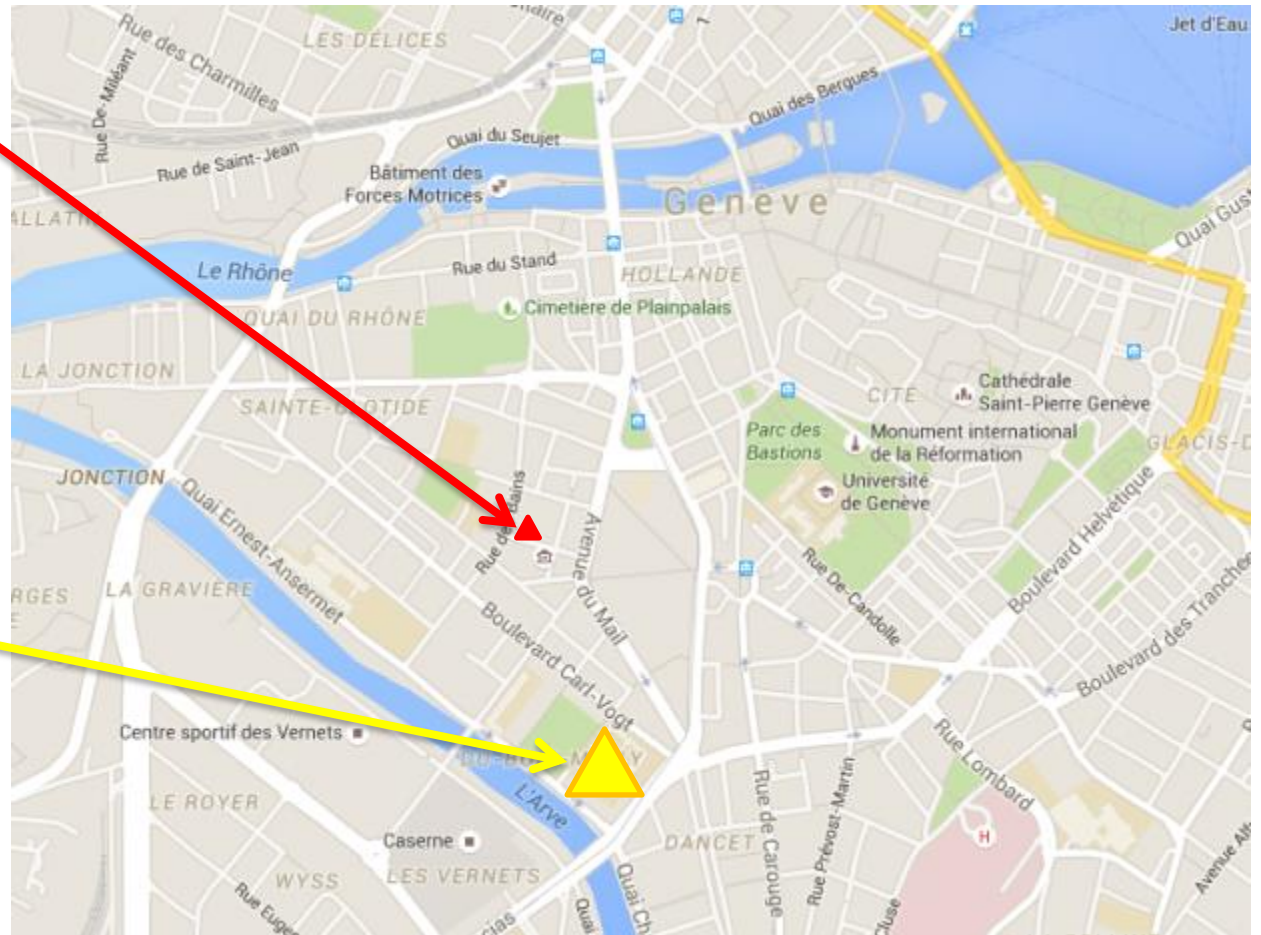
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Global Studies Institute

- Created in 2013
- Interdisciplinary Institute
- GSI programs, mainly the bachelor program, combine courses given by six different faculties/centers :
 - Faculty of Law
 - Faculty of Humanities
 - Geneva School of Economics and Management (GSEM)
 - Geneva School of Social Sciences (SDS)
 - Faculty of Medicine
 - Global Studies Institute

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Who are our students ...

- Around 1'600 students
 - Around 1'300 within the BA program
 - More than 300 within our 5 MA Programs
- 23% from Geneva, 45% from others swiss cantons, 32% of foreign students
- Strong participation to exchange programs
- 80 professors, 100 researchers attached to different faculties

Global Studies Institute

- **Bachelor's degree programmes :**
 - Bachelor in international relations (BARI)
 - Bachelor in international relations and computational sciences
- **Master's programmes :**
 - Master in European studies
 - Master in Middle East Studies
 - Master in Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus
 - Master in African studies
 - Master in Global Health

BARI : interdisciplinary program



General info GSI

<https://www.unige.ch/gsi/fr/>



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Academic Calendar

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

- Important to check the dates imposed by the GSI
- **No derogation** will be given

Course choice

- [Course catalogue](#)

Course choice

Restrictions

1. Level of studies

- **Bachelor** students can only take **Bachelor** courses
- **Master** students can only take **Master** courses

Course choice

Restrictions

2. Regarding specific courses:

- J2M048 – [Séminaire Modèle des Nations Unies](#) (fall semester)
reserved for exchange students registered at GSI
- J2M049 – [Model United Nations Seminar](#) (spring semester)
Seminar open to 15 exchange student registered at GSI

Course choice

Restrictions

3. Not open to exchange students:

- J2DPR - J2DPR9 - Projet de recherche en Droit
- J2HPR - Projet de recherche en Histoire
- J2PPR - Projet de recherche en science politique
- J2MPR - Projet de recherche interdisciplinaire...
- J2P296 – Séminaire d’encadrement du projet de recherche en science politique
- J4M313 – Stage dans le cadre d’un projet de recherche

Course choice

Restrictions

4. Prerequisites:

- Specified in course catalogue

Course choice

- **You choose** the courses you like
- You create **your own schedule**
- **Maximum 2 Faculties/Institutes**
 - if you choose a Faculty other than SdS, GSEM and GSI, there may be overlapping timetables during examinations
 - **You study plan must be approved by your home university**



Attention

Bachelor in Relations internationales

Pass/fail courses:

- Some courses are Pass/Fail courses : [OUI/NON](#)
- It is **not possible to get a grade** for these courses



Course registration

- **REGISTRATION : Online registration** (portail.unige.ch)

An email will be sent to you when the registration portal will be open

Opening of the registration portal: 7-10 days before it closes

Closing of the portal: October 13, 2025

Registration deadline

- Fall semester: **13 october 2025**
- Spring semester : **9 march 2026**
- Extraordinary session : **19 july 2026**



Exams

- Registration for a course = Registration for the corresponding exam
- Exam sessions at GSI:
 - Ordinary session Fall semester : **from January 12 to January 31 2026**
 - Ordinary session Spring semester : **from June 1 to June 20 2026**
 - Extraordinary session (retake session): **from August 17 to Sept 5 2026**
- **Other Fac/Institutes: Check their academic Calendar**

Exams

- Exams schedules are **confirmed** to students **by email** and are **available on the student portal**
- **Exams can only be taken at place, dates and time defined by the GSI**
 - No derogation possible

Absence during exams

- Absence = Failure
- Absence in a **force majeure case**: student must send GSI a request to be excused
 - **If valid reason**: absence is excused
 - **Sickness**: provide a **medical certificate** in the next 3 days

Grading system

- **ECTS credit system:**
 - 1 ECTS credit = 25-30 hours of work/semester
- **UNIGE grading system: 0.00 (min) – 6.00 (max)**

	ECTS scale	UNIGE grading scale
A	Excellent	6.00, 5.75, 5.50, 5.25
B	Very good	5.00, 4.75
C	Good	4.50
D	Satisfying	4.25
E	Sufficient	4.00
F	Insufficient	< 4.00

In case of failure at exam

- Exchange students have **2 tentatives** to pass a course
- If failure at ordinary session, **exam can be retaken at extraordinary exam session** (not mandatory)
 - Extraordinary session: **From August 17 to September 5 2026**
- **Registration for extraordinary session:** at the latest on July 19, 2026 with the Student secretariat

Exam consultation

- Exam can be consulted at the end of the semester
- Details on <https://www.unige.ch/gsi/espace-etudiants/espace-etudiants-mobilite/mobilite-in>
- Specific dates and times for each course

Grade report

- One grade report per Faculty/Institute
- Grade reports will be sent by postal mail to the address indicated at UNIGE registration
- If need be, that address can be modified on the portal (portail.unige.ch)

Moodle, mediaserver

<https://moodle.unige.ch/>

- Platform to share documents/information with professors
- **Course registration is not made through this platform**

Contacts

All administrative questions:

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All general questions:

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