

3.00 credits

15.0 h + 15.0 h

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Teacher(s)	Hermesse Julie ;Reuchamps Min ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Learning outcomes	
Evaluation methods	The grade is the arithmetical sum of the different works requested. Please note that for some works in several parts, the mark is only given if all the parts of the work are done.
Teaching methods	The course takes place during the first semester and is divided into lectures, question and answer sessions and individual assignments. The course is structured in two main parts: the first part focuses on the acquisition of the tools necessary to collect, select and save data and bibliographic resources. Particular attention is paid to plagiarism and access to so-called "royalty-free" resources. The second part of the course focuses on the acquisition of the scientific method and approach, beginning with an introduction to the 'critical' reading of scientific literature. The course then addresses the different elements of a research design (research question, theoretical framework, data and methods...). In each of these two parts, several modules are organized to allow the student to acquire the different skills through individual exercises.
Content	The course introduces the tools and methods for conducting research in political science. We will approach these notions through concrete questions of interest to students. During this course, students will learn how to develop soft skills and to acquire the tools necessary for the elaboration of an academic research, but also the method to apply a scientific approach. The aim of this course is to enable students to carry out research, read and communicate in an academic manner, develop a critical attitude towards different sources of information, collect data on the phenomenon they wish to study, and analyze these data in order to extract relevant information.
Faculty or entity in charge	ESPO

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Bachelor in Political Sciences: General	SPOL1BA	3		