

Institute of Political Science - Toulouse

Certificate in Political Studies, with specialisation in Analysis of the Contemporary World

A pluridisciplinary long-distance training programme, offered by researchers and professors of the Institute of Political Science in Toulouse, France.

Objectives :

- * To provide practising professionals the opportunity to undertake training in political sciences in order to equip them with the necessary skills to enable them to interpret current events, to enrich their personal and professional knowledge and to develop their professional competencies through the mastery of key concepts that they encounter in the exercise of their profession.
- * A supplementary training programme for professionals from other disciplines.

Selection criteria :

- * Second- or third year of studies at Bachelor degree level and/or professional experience.
- * Experience in internet browsing and the use of word-processing software.
- * Must have permanent access to a personal computer, the internet and a personal email account.
- * Selection of candidates will be based on an analysis of their application file and an entrance examination.

Structure of the training programme :

- * Training takes place long distance via the internet, through essentially asynchronous communication, allowing participants to study whenever they want, from home or from their place of work.
- * The programme comprises 100 hours of instruction (5 lessons of 20 hours each), broadcast from September to June, at the rate of 1 lesson per week.
- * Participants have 24 hour access to programme materials, by way of logging into the course site with their unique password. They communicate amongst themselves and with the instructors through email, forums, chat, etc.

The programme requires a personal investment of about 15 hours per week to learn the prescribed coursework, to do the prescribed exercises, interaction with teachers or tutors, reading of recommended books, personal searches etc.

Participants will benefit from the personalised pedagogic accompaniment of the Toulouse IPS's educative staff throughout the duration of the course.

The long-distance training programme will be preceded by a meeting between participants and the educative team of the Toulouse IPS.

Modules :

- * Law : “The State, political and administration structures”
- * Economics : “Economics of globalisation”
- * Sociology : “Sociology of organisations”
- * Political Science : “The evolution of the State”
- * History : “Nation, ethnicity, religion, gender : approaching a sense of belonging”

Evaluation :

Evaluation is twofold: continuous assessment in each course and a final examination conducted in-class at the Toulouse IPS. The validation of training gives 30 ECTS.

Costs of the programme : 2 000 €

Further information on the possibility of financing of the programme :

<http://www.formations-pour-tous.com/>

<http://vosdroits.service-public.fr/>

<http://www.travail-solidarite.gouv.fr/informations-pratiques/fiches-pratiques/>