

SELECTION NOTICE DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMMES 2018/2019 LM Language and Mind: Linguistic and Cognitive Studies – Università di Siena Master en Philosophie, parcours logique et philosophie des sciences - Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

1 – Subject

The Department of Social, Political and Cognitive Sciences is involved in a cooperation programme with the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (France), which allows students of the Master's Degree programme in *Language and Mind: Linguistics and Cognitive Studies* to obtain a double degree.

Students who successfully complete the programme will be awarded both the Master in Language and Mind: Linguistics and Cognitive Studies of the Università di Siena and the Master en Philosophie, parcours logique et philosophie des sciences of the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne.

2 - Applicants and admission requirements

The selection procedure is open to those enrolled in their first year of the Master of Science in Linguistics and Cognitive Studies at the Università di Siena.

Candidates must have certified knowledge of the French language at level B1.

During the period abroad that forms part of the exchange programme, participants must remain fully enrolled at the Università di Siena.

3 – Programme description and available positions

The programme provides 5 positions. To obtain the double degree students will be required to spend the second year of their Master's programme at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne.

Students participating in the double degree programme must have completed all university credits (CFU) as provided in their respective 1st year study plan before the start of courses at Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. In the case of failure in meeting this requirement, the case will be submitted to the Didactic Committee, which will evaluate whether the student may participate in the programme.

The programme provides:

- The attainment at the Université Paris 1 of the university credits provided for in the 2nd year programme of Language and Mind;
- Preparation of Master's degree thesis, which will be valid in both universities, according to the respective educational regulations, as foreseen by the agreement;
- Defence of the degree thesis, which will be held at one of the two universities.



At the end of the study period at the at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, students who have not succeeded in obtaining all of the 60 university credits (CFU) as provided in their 2nd year study plan but who have gained at least 40 university credits:

- A- will spend an additional semester at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne in order to complete the programme and gain the double degree;
- B- gain only the home university degree.

4 – Costs

Students participating in the double degree programme will not have to pay enrolment fees at the partner university, but must remain enrolled in the aforementioned master courses at the University of Siena. Students must pay for their own insurance, travel and accommodation expenses in relation to their period abroad.

Students will receive the equivalent of an Erasmus grant in financial support (including the ministerial contribution) according to the following timetable:

- after sending the certificate of stay—completed and signed by the host university certifying the date of arrival of the student—to internazionale@unisi.it, students will receive a deposit equal to 3 months

- the final payment following the delivery of the final documentation (see Article 8).

Subject to availability of funds, students may receive a small amount of money to partially cover travel expenses.

Before leaving, students must enter their **bank details** (current account or card of accountholder or co-owner) on the Segreteria on-line system (Home>Personal data, Bank details. Choose bank or postal bank transfer) via the instructions shown on the following link: https://www.unisi.it/sites/default/files/manuale_iban_0.pdf

Some rechargeable cards have a credit cap. Check this restriction before entering the data in the online system. Students who have residency abroad must also enter the address of their Italian residence (Home>Personal data).

Those who fail to submit this information will not receive financial contribution.

5 - Selection of candidates and formation of list in order of merit

Students will be selected by a committee composed of at least three (3) faculty members of the degree course in *Language and Mind: Linguistics and Cognitive Studies* nominated by the President of the Didactic Committee (Comitato per la Didattica).

Students will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

- personal statement;
- Curriculum Vitae;
- level of competence in French language;
- university career;
- individual interview.

The aim of the interview, which will be conducted in French, is to further discuss the student's motivations, study plan and background.

Based on the abovementioned criteria a list in order of merit will be drawn up. Candidates will be assigned points (max. 100) for each of the following criteria:

CV (30%)	0 to 30 points
University career (30%)	0 to 30 points

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Personal statement (10%)	0 to 10 points
Language competence (10%)	0 to 10 points
Interview (20%)	0 to 20 points

All available positions will be assigned according to this list. Please note that the ranking list will only provide provisional admission: students will obtain final admission once they gain all of the university credits (CFU) of their respective 1st year study plan by the September 2018 session, except in cases expressly authorized by approval by the Didactic Committee (see Art. 3).

Should additional positions be available, they will be assigned according to the same list.

The location, date, and time of the interview will be communicated to the candidates shortly after the application deadline and cannot be changed. Those who cannot attend will be considered not assessable for the purposes of the selection procedure.

6 - Acceptance/Renunciation

Successful candidates will receive all communications, including the outcome of the selection procedure, by email.

Successful candidates must inform the university of their intention to accept or decline the opportunity offered by the deadline indicated. If a successful candidate does not respect this deadline, he/she loses any right to the programme and the next candidate in the list of merit will be nominated.

Successful candidates will continue to receive any national study grants or scholarships they have been awarded. Students who have been awarded an A.R.D.S.U. (Azienda Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario) study grant for the academic year 2017/2018 may also apply for the regional study grant for international study. Further information is available on the website: www.dsu.toscana.it, by phone: 0577/760819, or by email: cghezzi@dsu.toscana.it.

During the period of study abroad, students may allow a foreign abroad student to use their accommodation in Siena. This procedure is obligatory for those with a place in university residences and optional for those in private accommodations.

The form to fill out for available beds can be found on the website of the Divisione Relazioni Internazionali: http://www.unisi.it/internazionale/studio-e-lavoro-allestero/studiare-allestero/programmi-internazionali

7 - Procedure for registration at the host university

Following their acceptance, successful candidates must begin the application procedure as required by the host university.

Successful candidates must also send any documents requested by the foreign university as instructed. Should a successful candidate not fulfil these requirements, the Università di Siena cannot be held responsible for his/her non-acceptance by the host university, and in any case the final acceptance of the candidate is decided upon by the host university and under no circumstances can the Università di Siena interfere with or change such a decision.

The information provided in this notice is subject to amendment following any instructions from the host universities. In this case the Università di Siena cannot be held responsible for any amendments made to the terms specified in this announcement.

8 - Documents to be sent to the Divisione Relazioni Internazionali and the Student's Office

Upon arrival at the host university each participant must go to the relevant office (e.g. International Relations, Student Mobility etc.) to announce his/her arrival and ask the office to record the exact start date for his/her



study abroad period on the certificate of attendance, to be sent to the Divisione Relazioni Internazionali by email or fax.

At the end of the study period at the host university, participants must send the following documents to the Divisione Relazioni Internazionali by email at *internazionale@unisi.it*:

- copy of an official certificate of attendance signed by the host university, confirming the effective period of study and indicating the dates of arrival and departure;
- a copy of the *Transcript of Records*. The original *Transcript of Records* must be sent to the Student's Office of the relevant department;
- Final Report form, duly filled in.

These documents can be downloaded from the following page: http://www.unisi.it/internazionale/studio-e-lavoro-allestero/studiare-allestero/programmemi-internazionali

Students who do not submit the required documentation listed above will not receive the financial contribution.

At the end of the study abroad period, students are required to send a copy of the degree they will have obtained at the partner university both to the Divisione Relazioni Internazionali and to their relevant student's office.

9 - Applications

Applications, made using the form available on the website and accompanied by a copy of the applicant's identity card/passport, must be sent by email to *internazionale@unisi.it* in a unique pdf file exclusively from the institutional mailbox of the domain unisi.it (documents sent from other domains will not be considered).

Applications must be received no later than 23:59 of Wednesday, 14 March 2018.

Candidates must send the following documents with the application form:

- Self-certification of enrolment at the Università di Siena and exams taken;
- Self-certification regarding attainment of the Bachelor's Degree, the final grade awarded and all exams taken, with respective grades;
- Personal statement in French;
- Curriculum Vitae in French;
- Certificate of language competence and any other document deemed useful.

If any documents are missing the candidate will be informed of his/her exclusion from the selection process.

10- Handling and confidentiality of personal data

Pursuant to art. 13 and having regard to art. 24 of Legislative Decree no. 196/2003, personal data provided by candidates with their applications for this selection procedure will be processed for the purposes of managing this selection procedure. Interested parties can, at any time, exercise their rights under art. 7 of Legislative Decree no. 196/2003 in relation to the holding of the personal data.

Siena,18/01/2018

Il Direttore Generale reggente Giovanni Colucci

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