



Established in 1794, *École Polytechnique* is regularly ranked as France's first science and technology university awarding Bachelor, Master, and PhD level diplomas, and among the first institutions worldwide for employability and internationalization.

École Polytechnique's Bachelor of Science is a highly selective three-year program taught entirely in English to students coming from around the world. After a first year offering a core program in Mathematics, Computer Science, Economics and Physics, it leads to a double major in Mathematics & Computer Science, Mathematics & Economics or Mathematics & Physics. The program is extremely intense with an average of 30 hours per week in class. The course content is compact and prepares students to successfully continue graduate studies in either of their majors.

Admission to *École Polytechnique's Bachelor Program* is very competitive and students are of the highest academic level in STEM subjects. This Program is accredited by the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation to award a "grade de licence", which is the official undergraduate degree in French higher education. This accreditation makes our students eligible for Master and graduate level programs, both in France and abroad.

Transcript Guide

The transcript is the student's official academic record. It includes course codes and names, letter grades received, Grade Point Average/Cumulative Grade Point Average, and ECTS credits obtained.

Course Codes

Course codes are alphanumeric and range from 100- to 300-level courses; first-year courses are typically indicated with a 100-level code, second-year courses with a 200-level code, and third year courses with a 300-level code.

As of the 2018-2019 academic year, language classes were re-coded: beginner courses were coded at the 100-level, intermediate courses at the 200-level, and advanced/culture courses at the 300-level.

ECTS Credits

École Polytechnique's Bachelor Program consists of six semesters over the course of which at least 180 ECTS credits must be obtained, with two semesters per academic year and an average of 14 weeks of courses per semester. The final year includes a research-based internship as the foundation for the Bachelor Thesis.

Each semester allows students to obtain at least 30 credits and a maximum of 36 credits. ECTS credits are awarded to each course, and are awarded only to courses in which a student receives a minimum grade of D or better.

When a student does not receive ECTS credits for a course given his/her poor academic performance, s/he may take a remedial exam. When a student passes a remedial exam, s/he can only receive a maximum grade of D; remedial passes are noted with an asterisk adjacent to the grade and include the following transcript notation: *Remedial course completion*.

Internships are not awarded ECTS credits.

Grade Point Averages (GPA)

GPA's are based on a 4.0 scale as follows:

A+	4.3
A	4.0
A-	3.7
B+	3.3
B	3.0
B-	2.7
C	2.0
D	1.0
E	0
F	0

GPA's are calculated each semester, and from Semesters 2 to 6, transcripts also contain a cumulative GPA. Only courses that are attributed ECTS credits are included in the GPA and cumulative GPA. The calculation of the GPA and cumulative GPA are weighted; that is, each course's contribution to the GPA is proportional to the number of ECTS credits it is assigned.

Grades ranging from A+ to D are passing grades, which allow students to receive ECTS credits.

As of the Spring Semester of the 2017-2018 academic year, Personal Development courses are no longer attributed letter grades, as their evaluation is assessed by a pass/fail.

Supplementary courses

Students are eligible to take (a) supplementary course(s) which would cause them to surpass the semestrial 36-credit limit. Only certain courses can be designated "supplementary courses" for the students. Supplementary courses are optional and are awarded ECTS credits; however, the ECTS credits obtained through the completion of such courses do not count towards the credits required for graduation or progression from one year to another. Furthermore, the grades obtained in supplementary courses do not count towards calculating the student's GPA. They appear on the transcript with the following notation: *Supplementary course*.