



ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please review the list of mandatory documents below required to complete your application. Incomplete applications will not be assessed.

You will not need paper copies for the admissions review process. If you are admitted, you may be required to submit official or certified hard copies before the start of the program. All documents can be provided as scanned copies. Supporting documents include:

1. ID & PHOTO

- Copy of passport (or ID card for European students).
- Official photo (must be different from the one on the ID document and follow our guidelines including: in color, 35mm x 45mm in size, taken within the last 12 months). Please check our website for more information.

2. TRANSCRIPTS & DEGREES

For all applicants

- Your transcripts of the last three years of secondary education that you have already completed (Grades 9,10 and 11 if you are currently in Grade 12; or Grades 10, 11 and 12 if you have already graduated.). You must submit all academic records from these years, including from exchange programs and programs you did not complete. If your transcripts are not in English or French, you must translate them to either language.

For applicants having already graduated from high school or the equivalent

- Your secondary school leaving certificate or entrance certificate to study sciences in a higher-education institution.

For applicants having already started post-secondary education

- Your transcripts of all post-secondary education and if applicable, your degrees for completed programs.

For applicants coming from an institution which is not connected to the French education system

- If available, a school profile from your high school and/or your university explaining the grading and ranking system.

For students in the British Secondary system

- Your (I)GCSE grades
- Predicted (or obtained) grades at A / Pre-U levels
- Your internal grades from high-school for your last 3 years of complete education:
 - UK grade 10, 11 and 12 (Form 4, 5 and Lower 6) if you are in high school
 - UK grade 13 or grade 11, 12 and 13 (Form 5, Lower 6 and Upper 6) if you have already graduated.



3. CURRICULUM VITAE OR RESUME

- o Curriculum vitae (CV) in English. The CV is to be completed filling the form on the application website. The CV also includes questions about the mathematics knowledge acquired in secondary education. These questions must be answered truthfully in order to evaluate the candidate at their real capacity.

Here is an example of what the [resume looks like](#). Do NOT use this sample resume for your application, please use the one provided to you during the application process. Some changes in the resume may occur and we will only accept the newest version.

4. PERSONAL STATEMENT

- o A personal statement in English. This personal statement is in the form of three questions to be completed filling the form on the application website. Your answers must be 300 words per question maximum. For applications for the September 2021 intake, the personal statement questions are:
 1. What is your wildest dream you hope to achieve by starting your studies with a Bachelor of Science at École Polytechnique?
 2. Tell us about one experience that shaped your personality and made you who you are.
 3. In your opinion what are the key ingredients of being a “successful” scientist?

5. REFERENCE LETTERS

- o Information details from two referees:
 - Name
 - Job title
 - E-mail
 - Websites (if applicable)

At least one of the referees must be a teacher/professor/lecturer/academic supervisor in science/mathematics at your current institution. Your referees cannot be members of your family or family friends, and you cannot write your recommendation letters yourself.

We strongly suggest you let your referees know that you are involving them in your application process. After you fill out the recommendation request on your application form, your referees will immediately receive a link to the recommendation platform where:

- They will fill in a short questionnaire about you
- They will upload the recommendation letter in PDF format

BEWARE:

Your referees must submit their recommendation letters themselves. We will not accept letters given by the candidates as official recommendation letters. Please be advised that it is your responsibility to make sure they send their recommendations before the deadline.

Is one of your referees experiencing issues with the online recommendation form?

It is your responsibility to make sure that your referees send their recommendation letter before the deadline. Please check with them to make sure that they have sent their recommendation. If one of your referees experiences technical issues while trying to submit their recommendation, you can download the recommendation form below in either Word format or PDF format and send it to your referees.

Your referees will then have to send back the recommendation themselves to:

bachelor-admissions@polytechnique.fr

- [Recommendation form in PDF format](#)
- [Recommendation form in Word format](#)

6. OPTIONAL

- o If applicable, you may provide your [SAT](#) and [ACT](#) scores.
- o If applicable, you may provide scores for the following English language test results:
 - The [International English Language Testing System \(IELTS\)](#)
 - The [Internet-based Test of english as a Foreign Language \(TOEFL ibt\)](#).

These documents are not mandatory.

7. APPLICATION FEES

- o The 95€ application fee that can be paid by credit card or bank transfer.