

Institut Polytechnique de Paris

International Entrance Examinations for *ingénieurs* programs

Notice 2022

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Admission requirements

- Applicants must have completed at least 2 years of undergraduate studies in Science, Engineering or Quantitative Economics & Finance.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a foreign (non-French) undergraduate program in a higher education institution outside France.
- Applicants may apply from their 2nd year up to their last year of undergraduate studies in their home university.
- An excellent background in Mathematics and/or Physics are keys to success.
- Degree seeking students registered in a higher education institution in France are not eligible.

To apply, no knowledge of French is required. The full application process as well as all the entrance examinations can be sat either in English or in French.

Additional requirements for Ecole Polytechnique only

- Applicants must be under 25 years of age on January 1st, 2022.
- French citizens are not eligible including those with dual nationality. Those students must apply through the [French university Track](#).
- Applicants cannot apply more than once.
- Applicants must meet the medically defined criteria of physical fitness.

Application

Registration is open to all candidates meeting the conditions mentioned above.

Click [here](#) or on the image beside to access the application platform.



Entrance examinations

Initial selection

The initial selection is based on academic records, a cover letter from the candidate and letters of recommendation, two (2) of them must be written by academics from your university or college.

Admission examinations

Admission examinations are composed of 3 oral exams and 1 interview (see table below).

| | Test / Evaluation | Duration | Ecole Polytechnique (coefficients) | ENSTA Paris | ENSAE Paris | Telecom Paris | Telecom SudParis |
|------------------|--|----------|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
| Application file | Evaluation of academic excellence | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Oral exams | Mathematics | 55mn | 6 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Physics | 55mn | 4 | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| | General Scientific Knowledge (preceded with a preparation of 30 minutes) | 30mn | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Interview | Motivations | 20mn | 1 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

During the oral tests, the candidate must solve one or more problems in Mathematics, then Physics and comment on a text of general scientific culture from mainstream international press. After the oral exams, an interview will be conducted to assess the motivation of the candidate.

The essential concepts required in Mathematics and Physics can be found from the following link: <https://www.ip-paris.fr/ingenieur-programs/>.

The tests and interview can be conducted in French or in English, at the candidate's choice.

Oral examinations are conducted by video conference.

For Ecole Polytechnique only: a ranking average is established for each candidate who has passed all the above tests, taking into account the grades awarded and the coefficients assigned to each test as mentioned in the table above. The final ranking is based on the total of the coefficients, which is 12.

Examinations locations

International examination centers are defined according to the residence of eligible applicants.

Results

The admission results are given to the candidates following the deliberation of the admission jury, which determines the list of admitted candidates.

You will receive an e-mail asking you to confirm on your candidate space if you accept or not your admission.

Calendar

- May 2021 Start of online applications
- September 15 Deadline to send all the documents required and to submit the application
- October 8 Eligibility results
- October 11-26 Online publication of all official notifications
- October 27 - November 12 Oral exams by videoconference
- November 13-15 Online declaration of an ordered wish-list of Schools
- November 22 Final admission results



IMPORTANT:

The date, time and exact location of the examinations will be specified on the official notification of each candidate.