

TEACHING ASSISTANT POSITION

Sciences Po's Department for Studies and Partnerships is seeking, for the Fall semester 2024-2025:

A PhD student in 2024-2025, interested in a **teaching assistant position** for the introductory lecture course: "Democracy in Europe", taught in English by Professors Jan ROVNY and Ronja SCZEPANSKI.

This course is part of the [Masters' Common Academic Curriculum](#).

Course description

The course introduces students to core debates relating to democratic developments and challenges to democracy in Europe. It is anchored in a multi-level perspective, covering both the national and the European levels. The lecture discusses the institutional and cultural underpinnings of democracy as well as current challenges in the form of the rise of populism and democratic backsliding. Addressing the ways in which aspiring autocrats reduce democracy, the course also presents the responses that democratic actors can provide to these developments. It equips students with a solid understanding of the key concepts from democracy research and recent developments in this field. It also introduces various quantitative measures of democracy and its institutions. This course uses advanced academic literature, and is therefore targeted towards students comfortable with reading scientific texts in English.

Calendar

This course will meet every **Tuesday from 14:45 pm to 16:45 pm**, on the Paris campus, in the Fall semester, from Monday, September 2, to Monday, December 2, 2024 (holiday from October 28 to November 3).

Final exams will take place from December 11 to 17, 2024.

Student grades will be handed in by January 2025.

Activities

The mission of the Teaching assistant, in support of the Professors, on-campus, may include the following responsibilities:

- Assisting in the preparation of the course and bibliographic/pedagogical resources;
- Making course materials available to students on the Moodle platform or via other media (email);
- Following up with students by email: answers to questions, bibliographic and methodological advice, reminders of instructions, logistical assistance, etc. ;
- Offer a collective methodological tutoring before the midterm and the final assignments;
- Coordinating with the Professors the preparation, proctoring, organization and grading of the various assignments and exams.

The position requires an excellent level of English, as well as the requisite personal qualities (intellectual curiosity, enthusiasm, punctuality, availability, ability to listen, analytical clarity, rigor, and a sense of responsibility).

Number of hours and compensation

The contractual number of hours is 16 for the semester, with a remuneration set to 65.10 € per hour (pre-tax).

The grading of exams is additionally remunerated, at the end of the semester. The remuneration of the copies varies depending on the length of the assignment. As part of a contractual teaching service, the value of this assignment is calculated as 16 hours of "TD equivalent time".

Application

If you are interested in applying for this position, please send your application (CV and cover letter, in English) to Professors Jan Rovny and Ronja Szczepanski, by **Friday, June 28, 2024**: jan.rovny@sciencespo.fr and ronja.szczepanski@sciencespo.fr
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