

Preparing for S6-7 and beyond...

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Subject choices S6-7 2014 / 2015 Name:S5

Note this is a preliminary choice only, and *no options are guaranteed*. You must choose a minimum of 31 periods and a maximum of 36. At least 29 periods must come from groups 1 - 4. Circle the courses you wish to take. In case some options are not offered, include a second and third option if possible in the box at the bottom of this form. Return this form to the office by Jan 23rd 2015.

S6-7 courses

SWALS students:

RO, CRO or BG L1,

Philosophy in your L2.

Subject	Periods / week	Languages						Notes
Group 1: Compulsory Subjects								
L1	4	EN	FR	DE	IT			
L2	3	EN	FR	DE	ES		Spanish L3 may become L2 only if min 5 students & subject to passing a test. You will still take Hist & Geo in original L2.	
Maths 3 <i>or</i>	3	EN	FR	DE	IT		Choose Maths 3 or 5. If you took Maths 4 in S5, you can ask for Maths 5 but you will have to take a test.	
Maths 5	5	EN	FR	DE	IT			
Religion <i>or</i>	1	Catholic	Protestant	Orthodox	Judaism	Islam		
Ethics	1	Ethics						
Gym	2	male				female		
Group 2: Options - Choose 2 to 4 from this list								
Art	4	mixed					You are advised to take 3, as this gives you flexibility when choosing exam subjects for the Bac. Mixed language groups	
Music	4	mixed						
Biology	4	EN	FR	DE	IT			
Chemistry	4	EN	FR	DE	IT			
Physics	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		Maths 5 is STRONGLY RECOMMENDED for Physics.	
Economics	4	EN	FR	DE			In your L2. Maths 5 is RECOMMENDED.	
Geography	4	EN	FR	DE			In your L2	
History	4	EN	FR	DE			In your L2	
L3	4	EN	FR	DE	ES	NE		
L4/DNL	4				ES			
Latin	4		FR		IT			
Philosophy	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		Beginners course	
Group 3: Compulsory if not chosen from group 2								
Biology	2	EN	FR	DE	IT		Compulsory if Bio 4, Phys, Chem not chosen. (Can also be taken with Phys or Chem) In your L2. Compulsory if Geo 4 not chosen In your L2. Compulsory if History 4 not chosen In your L1. Compulsory if Philosophy 4 not chosen	
Geography	2	EN	FR	DE				
History	2	EN	FR	DE				
Philosophy	2	EN	FR	DE	IT			
Group 4: Advanced options - choose one or none								
L1	3	EN	FR	DE	IT		Only if Maths 5 is chosen	
L2	3	EN	FR	DE				
Maths	3	EN	FR	DE	IT			
Complementary courses								
L5	2		FR	DE	IT	Chinese	Beginners' classes	
Lab Physics	2	Mixed					Only if Physics 4 is chosen	
Lab Chemistry	2	Mixed					Only if Chemistry 4 is chosen	
Lab Biology	2	Mixed					Only if Biology 4 is chosen	
ICT	2	Mixed					You must have taken ICT in S4-5 or be able to	
Theatre	2	Mixed						
Sociology	2	Mixed						
Gym	2	Mixed						
Economics	2	Mixed						
Art	2	Mixed					Economics, Art & Music CANNOT be chosen if chosen already in Group 2	
Music	2	Mixed						
Total number of periods chosen (Min 31; Max 36) =								
I will not be returning next year						Y / N	Second and third choices: If some of my chosen options are not offered, I would like to take:	
There is a strong possibility I will not be returning next year						Y / N		



How to complete the form

- ▶ Note this is a preliminary choice only, and **no options are guaranteed**. We need a minimum of 5 students to open an option class, and 7 students for a complementary course.
- ▶ You must choose a **minimum of 31 periods and a maximum of 36**
- ▶ At least **29 periods** must come from **groups 1 - 4**.
- ▶ **Circle** the courses you wish to take. In case some options are not offered, include a second and third option if possible in the box at the bottom of this form.
- ▶ Return this form to the office by **Jan 23rd 2015**.

S6-7 courses: Group 1

Group 1: Compulsory Subjects

L1	4	EN	FR	DE	IT	
L2	3	EN	FR	DE	ES	
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- Choose Maths 3 or 5. If you took Maths 4 in S5, you can ask for Maths 5 but you will have to take a test.
- **SWALS students:** Write RO, BG or CRO against L1, and note that Philosophy will be in your L2.

Group 2: Options - Choose 2 to 4 from this list

Art	4	mixed					
Music	4	mixed					
Biology	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		
Chemistry	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		
Physics	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		
Economics	4	EN	FR	DE			
Geography	4	EN	FR	DE			
History	4	EN	FR	DE			
L3	4	EN	FR	DE	ES	NE	
L4/ONL	4				ES		
Latin	4		FR		IT		
Philosophy	4	EN	FR	DE	IT		

- These are your major options – it is very important to choose these wisely.
- Choose courses you like and that you are doing well in!
- Physics and Economics become increasingly mathematical. You are advised to take Maths 5 with these – especially for Physics.
- History & Geography are in your L2. Art and Music are in mixed language groups.
- Philosophy is in L1 (except for SWALS) and is a beginners' course.
- An L3 may be changed to L4 or L4 to L3 with the approval of the Director. You must pass a test if you wish to change from L4 to L3.

S6-7 courses: Group 3

Group 3: Compulsory if not chosen from group 2

Biology	2	EN	FR	DE	IT	
Geography	2	EN	FR	DE		
History	2	EN	FR	DE		
Philosophy	2	EN	FR	DE	IT	

- If you have not chosen any science subject in group 2, then you must take Biology 2 hour.
- If you have not chosen Geography 4 you must take Geography 2 hour
- If you have not chosen History 4 you must take History 2
- If you have not chosen Philosophy 4 you must take Philosophy 2

S6-7 courses: Group 4

Group 4: Advanced options - choose one or none

L1	3	EN	FR	DE	IT	
L2	3	EN	FR	DE		
Maths	3	EN	FR	DE	IT	

- These courses are more advanced, and depend on the basic course.
- You can only take one of them
- You can only take Maths Advanced if you have chosen Maths 5.

Complementary courses

L5	2		FR	DE	IT	Chinese
Lab Physics	2	Mixed				
Lab Chemistry	2	Mixed				
Lab Biology	2	Mixed				
ICT	2	Mixed				
Theatre	2	Mixed				
Sociology	2	Mixed				
Gym	2	Mixed				
Economics	2	Mixed				
Art	2	Mixed				
Music	2	Mixed				

- L5's are beginners courses and can be taken even if you don't take L3 or L4.
- The laboratory courses complement the basic sciences. You can only take a lab course if you have chosen the 4-hour option of the same science.
- ICT assumes a basic knowledge of programming from S4-5 ICT or elsewhere
- You can't take Economics, Art or Music if you are taking a course of the same name from another group!
- Economics and Sociology are beginners' courses.

Tests and grades

- ▶ In S6:
 - ▶ you will have work and tests in class graded for your A mark.
 - ▶ you will have 2 exam sessions, in Dec/Jan and in June.
- ▶ In S7
 - ▶ you will have work and tests in class graded for your A mark.
 - ▶ You will have exams in all your subjects in January (the Pre-Bac)
 - ▶ The A mark and the Pre-Bac mark together form your Preliminary mark, which counts 50% of your EB.

Changes for S7

- ▶ Between years 6 and 7, only a very few changes are possible:
- ▶ You can change Maths 5 to Maths 3 and Maths 3 to Maths 5 (with a test).
- ▶ You can change a 4-period option into a compulsory 2-period option and the other way round. It should be the same subject though.
- ▶ You will have to pass a test if you would like to change into a more advanced course.
- ▶ You may not substitute one option for another.
- ▶ Sometimes it is possible to drop an option that is not compulsory, if you have enough hours and enough options for the Bac.'

The Bac – 5 written and 3 oral exams

- ▶ 5 written exams (35%)
 1. L1 or Advanced L1
 2. L2 or Advanced L2
 3. Maths 3 or 5
 4. A 4-period option
 5. A 4-period option
- ▶ 3 oral exams (15%)
 1. L1 or Advanced L1
 2. L2 or Adv L2 or History or Geography (2 or 4 hour)
 3. Adv Maths or a science (2 or 4) or Philosophy (2 or 4) or L3 or L4/ONL

Restrictions

- ▶ If you have chosen Advanced L1 or L2 you cannot take an exam in the basic course
- ▶ You cannot take the same subject for both written and oral, except L1 and L2.
- ▶ If you have chosen Advanced Maths you must take the oral exam.
- ▶ !! Check that your choices allow you a suitable combination of exams – and preferably some choice !!

How do I choose?

- ▶ What do I see myself doing in 10 years' time? What are my interests, what kind of career do I imagine I will pursue?
- ▶ What am I good at?
- ▶ What kind of further education or training will I need? In what country and language?
- ▶ What preparation do I need in S6-7 for entry to my choice of further education?
- ▶ What grades have I got so far in the subjects I am interested in?
- ▶ Do my teachers think I can succeed at the subjects I am choosing?

Going to study in the UK

The EB is recognised as a valid qualification for entry to UK universities, BUT entry is not automatic

- ▶ The application system is centralised through UCAS.
- ▶ You **MUST** apply on-line through UCAS, unless you are applying to a private university.
- ▶ Start at www.ucas.com
- ▶ Entry to most courses is competitive
- ▶ Check **specific subject requirements** for most courses
- ▶ Different universities will ask for different grades – often an **overall grade** and specific **subject grades**

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Thousands more courses you can take after you graduate.

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UCAS Teacher Training



Postgraduate teacher training programmes in England and Wales.

For Scottish courses, use UCAS Undergraduate.

- [Overview](#)
- [Routes into teaching](#)

International applications



Information for students and advisers outside the United Kingdom.

- [Study in the UK](#)
- [Finding courses](#)
- [How to apply](#)

UCAS Progress

Are you thinking about Post-16 education or training?

On UCAS Progress you can:

- Find out about all Post-16 options
- Research different qualifications
- Search for courses and places to study

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'That was my milk, you...!!'

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What S6 options should I take, and what grades do I need to get in?

Biochemistry with Molecular Biology & Biotechnology

University of Bristol

Duration	Study mode	Attendance	Qualification	Course code
3 Years	Full-time	Study on site	BSc (Hons)	C790



Summary

Entry requirements

Fees & finances

How to apply

First year entry

Qualification requirements

- GCSEs
- A Levels
- BTECs
- Baccalaureate - AQA
- Baccalaureate - Welsh
- Baccalaureate - International
- Baccalaureate - European
- Scottish qualifications
- Cambridge Pre-U
- 14-19 Diplomas
- Other Academic qualifications
- English Language
- Overseas qualifications

Baccalaureate - European

University of Bristol will make offers based on the following qualifications individually and when they are combined with others

European Baccalaureate

General information on subjects/grades required for entry:

85% overall with 8.5 in Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics



If you cannot find the qualification that you are studying (or have previously studied) please contact University of Bristol

English baccalaureate policy

University statement on the English Baccalaureate:
<http://www.bristol.ac.uk/university/governance/policies/admissions/14-19/qualifications-changes.html#ebacc>

Click on the course you are interested in, and then use the Entry requirements tab

It the EB is not specified, click instead on A levels to get an idea

English

The University of Birmingham

Duration	Study mode	Attendance	Qualification	Course code
3 Years	Full-time	Study on site	BA (Hons)	Q300

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A Levels

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GCE A Level

AAB Typical offer

Specific subjects/grades required for entry:
(English Literature or English - Language & Literature at grade A).

Specific subjects excluded for entry:
General Studies.

GCE A Level Double Award

Unit grade policy

The University of Birmingham does not make offers based on the unit grades achieved in AS and A2 level examinations. However, unit grade achievement may be taken into account when considering applicants who have just missed the terms of their offers.

Estimated equivalence

A*	9
A	8.5
B	8
C	7.5
D	7
E	6

Study in Italy – Italian Higher Education

- ▶ Central regulations establish the general requirements to access university courses.
- ▶ Admission requires the possession of an upper secondary school leaving certificate or equivalent qualification obtained abroad (Baccalaureate).
- ▶ Students attending the final year of upper secondary school should submit a pre-enrolment application form to the university in order to allow the design of the university teaching offer, and to inform students adequately.

Study in Italy – Italian Higher Education

- ▶ There are around 90 universities in Italy, the majority of which are publicly funded. Higher education in Italy now consists of a three-year bachelor's degree which can be followed by the two-year master's degree.
- ▶ There aren't subject specific requirements for degree programmes, but some universities specify pre-requisite knowledge and require entrance tests.
- ▶ For more information:

<http://www.study-in-italy.it/>

<http://www.universitaly.it/>

Studying in a Belgian University

- ▶ **Engineering** students have an entrance exam in maths. You should take Advanced Maths AND prepare for the specifics of the exam through short courses (e.g. those offered at the ULB on Saturday mornings.)
- ▶ **All other courses:** *Open access* for all students possessing a diploma (e.g. the European Bac) regardless of options taken.
BUT
 - ▶ Selection happens during year 1. The failure/drop-out rate is around 60% for most subjects. SO...
 - ▶ Choose your courses with care. Medics and architects need Physics! Economists need Maths 5! CHECK THE YEAR 1 COURSES!!

Studying in a Belgian University

- ▶ Bachelors' degrees are 3 years, Masters are 2 more.
- ▶ Exceptions: Medicine is 7 years; veterinary medicine is 6.
- ▶ Beware many textbooks and papers, especially medical ones, are in English!
- ▶ Most universities have **OPEN WEEKS** when you can attend courses. (E.g. The February carnival week)
- ▶ The university of Mons runs 3-day engineering workshops for interested S6-7 students.

Etudier en France

Orientation post-Bac

DANS LE SYSTÈME DES ÉTUDES SUPÉRIEURES FRANÇAISES.

- ▶ Licences
- ▶ Etudes de santé
- ▶ BTS
- ▶ BTSA
- ▶ MAN Arts Appliqués
- ▶ MAN Hôtellerie
- ▶ Année préparatoire à l'université
- ▶ Formations d'Ingénieurs
- ▶ DCG
- ▶ CUPGE
- ▶ CPES
- ▶ CPGE
- ▶ DTS
- ▶ DUT
- ▶ DEUST
- ▶ Mention Complémentaire
- ▶ Autres formations
- ▶ Écoles de commerce
- ▶ Formations paramédicales
- ▶ Formations sociales
- ▶ Concours Sciences Po
- ▶ DMA
- ▶ Écoles d'architecture
- ▶ Écoles supérieures d'art
- ▶ DU

ADMISSION **POST BAC**

Le portail national de coordination des admissions dans l'enseignement supérieur

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Vous souhaitez poursuivre vos études en 1^{ère} année d'études supérieures en France

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POUR QUI ?

Qui est concerné par Admission Post Bac ?

« ADMISSION POST-BAC » POUR QUI ?

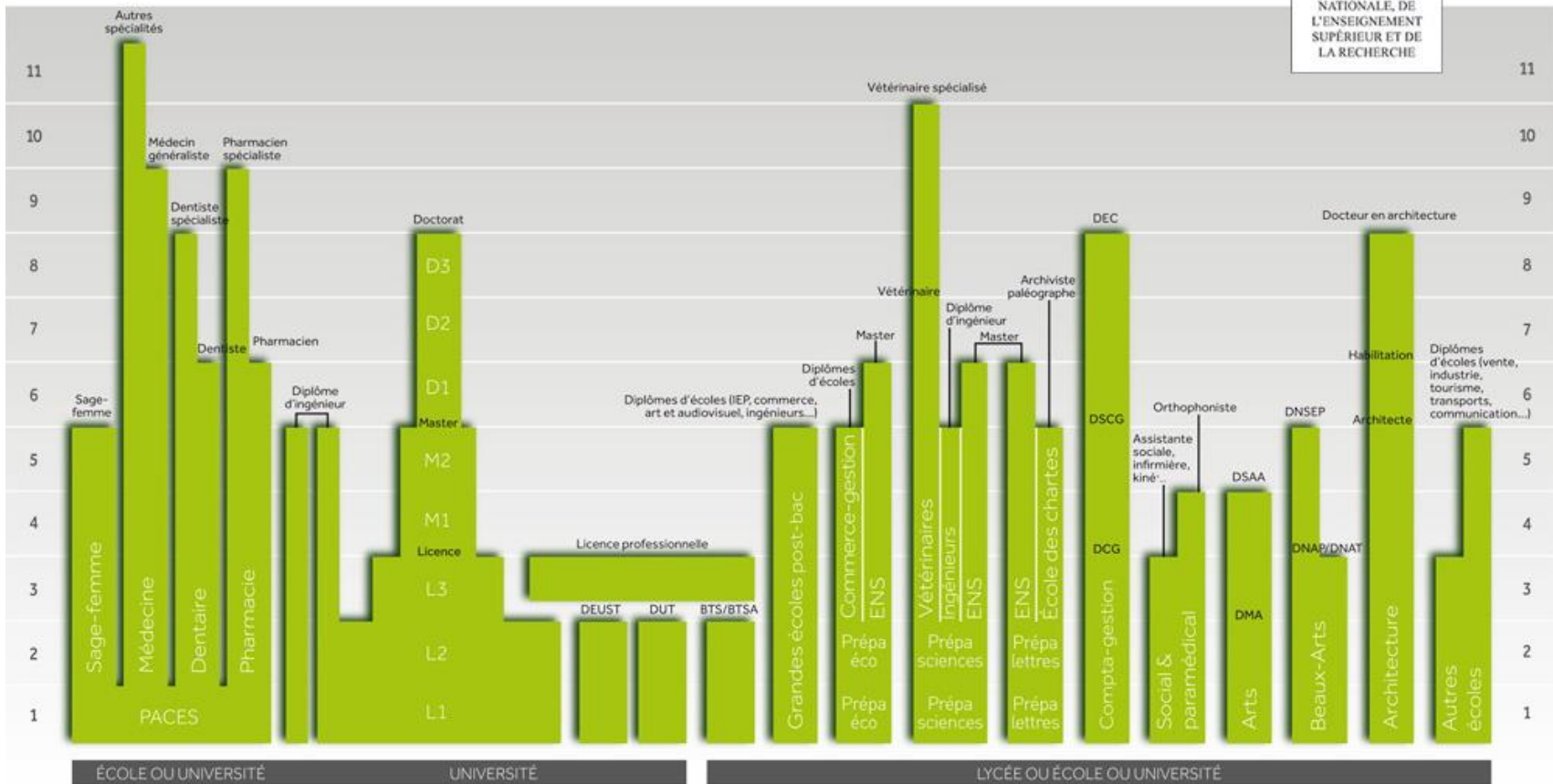
Vous êtes lycéen-ne de Terminale, quelle que soit votre série, vous êtes titulaire du baccalauréat ou d'un diplôme équivalent* et vous souhaitez intégrer une première année d'études supérieures, Admission Post-Bac est votre plateforme de préinscription dans l'enseignement supérieur.

Structure générale

L'ENSEIGNEMENT SUPÉRIEUR EN FRANCE



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SUPÉRIEUR ET DE
LA RECHERCHE



BTS(A) : brevet de technicien supérieur (agricole)
D : doctorat
DCG : diplôme de comptabilité et de gestion
DEC : diplôme d'expert-comptable
DEUST : diplôme d'études universitaires scientifiques et techniques

DMA : diplôme des métiers d'art
DNAP : diplôme national d'arts plastiques
DUT : diplôme universitaire de technologie
DNSEP : diplôme national supérieur d'expression plastique
DSAA : diplôme supérieur d'arts appliqués

DSCG : diplôme supérieur de comptabilité et de gestion
DUT : diplôme universitaire de technologie
ENS : École normale supérieure
IEP : institut d'études politiques
L : licence

M : master
PACES : première année commune aux études de santé
 1 Attention, certaines écoles paramédicales recrutent après la première année d'études de santé (PACES)

Calendrier APB 2015

ADMISSION POST BAC EN 6 ÉTAPES

- 1** *Du 20 Janvier au 20 Mars 18H*
Inscription, saisie des vœux
- Le 02 Avril*
Date limite de confirmation des vœux et d'envoi des dossiers-papier
- Du 05 Mai au 08 Mai*
Vérification de la réception des dossiers-papier
- Du 20 Janvier au 31 Mai*
Modification de l'ordre des vœux
- Du 08 Juin 14H au 13 Juin 14H*
Première phase d'admission et réponse des candidats
- Du 26 Juin 14H au 15 Septembre*
Procédure complémentaire

36 vœux
à
formuler
et
classer.

Universités, grandes écoles et CPGE

Privées ou publiques?

- ▶ **Privées** : recrutement libre, frais de scolarité libres.
- ▶ **Publiques** : passage par APB et frais de scolarité réglementés (licence : 189,10 E, école ingénieur : 615,10 E)

Universités, grandes écoles et CPGE

Universités:

- ▶ Licence : accès libre
- ▶ IUT, licence pro, ... : dossier d'entrée
- ▶ PACES (=médecine...) : concours en fin de première année

Universités, grandes écoles et CPGE

CPGE : Classe Préparatoire Grandes Ecoles (2 ans post Bac)

- ▶ Entrée sur dossier : très sélectif.
- ▶ Préparation à des concours pour accéder à des grandes écoles (sciences, économie, lettres) exemple : L'X (= école polytechnique)

German Universities:

- ▶ Technical universities:
 - ▶ Scientific, technical subjects
- ▶ Normal Universities:
 - ▶ Broad range of subjects
- ▶ Universities of applied science
 - ▶ Shorter studies,
 - ▶ More focused on application of subject than on theoretical approach
 - ▶ At present no possibility no possibility to do the PhD
- ▶ 6-8 Semesters : Bachelor.
 - + 2-4 semesters: Master degree/Staatsexamen
 - + 4-8 semesters: Graduation (PhD)

The admission requirements:

- ▶ EB is sufficient for ANY subject, NOT depending on your option choices
- ▶ Anything you need will be taught, BUT at a very high speed (e.g. Maths for Physics)

THEREFORE:

- ▶ High self organisational skills are required

Access is restricted for some very popular subjects (e.g. medicine or psychology)

- – application at central institute: [Stiftung für Hochschulzulassung](#) (SfH)
in DORTMUND
(mainly your final BAC mark will decide)

OR

- Application directly at University
(tests to be passed)

Financing your studies :

- ▶ Private universities:
 - ▶ can be expensive
- ▶ Public universities (majority):
 - ▶ mostly only little contribution for organising representation of students
 - ▶ BaFöG-money: if parents cannot pay



BUT, BE AWARE

The **educational system**
of Germany is
undergoing
continuous changes and
reforms.

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Considerations for S6-7 options

- ▶ Keep your options open – make sure you have the options that will allow you entry to courses that interest you
- ▶ Assess yourself: What grade am I getting now? Could I do better? What does my teacher think?
- ▶ Often universities will look at your overall grade. So choose courses you have a reasonable chance of doing well in.
- ▶ You will not take written exams in all subjects at the Bac, and later you will need to choose exam subjects carefully to optimise the outcome

Combinations on the arts side....

- ▶ You have a very strong profile in languages and humanities before you even choose your options.
- ▶ For entry to a UK university in:
 - ▶ **Most arts subjects (languages, humanities..)**: Any combination which includes principal subject(s) you want to study; maths 3
 - ▶ E.g. If you want to study History you should take History 4
 - ▶ **Law**: Any combination, depending on the type of law that interests you. (More languages, history or philosophy, science if forensics seems interesting)
 - ▶ **Architecture**: Art (you will need a portfolio), Maths 5, Physics an advantage
 - ▶ **Classical studies**: Latin an advantage; languages, history
 - ▶ **Business Studies, Management** etc: Economics, Maths 3 or 5
 - ▶ **Marketing, Advertising, Design** Art, languages, ICT
 - ▶ **Sociology, politics, sports management** A good all-round profile in the arts

Combinations on the science side....

- ▶ **Medicine:** 3 sciences, Lab Chemistry or Biology, Maths 5 + work experience for the UK
- ▶ **Engineering:** Maths 5, Physics, Lab Physics for the UK, Advanced maths for France/Belgium
 - Computing, Chemistry and advanced maths are good supporting subjects. Chemistry is important for chemical engineering!
- ▶ **Biology:** Chemistry, Biology, Lab Biology, Maths 5
- ▶ **Chemistry:** Chemistry, Lab Chemistry, Maths 5, one other science
- ▶ **Physics:** Physics, Lab Physics, Maths 5. Advanced maths an advantage but not required. (Equates approximately to Further Maths A level in the UK)
- ▶ **Maths:** Maths 5, Advanced maths, physics an advantage
- ▶ **Computer Science:** Maths 5. Advanced maths and Physics an advantage
- ▶ **Economics:** Maths 5. Economics an advantage.

Timeline

- ▶ Jan 20th : Course options presented
- ▶ Jan 23rd : Initial choice made and forms submitted
- ▶ Feb 23rd: Final form given to students
- ▶ Feb 27th: Final forms submitted.
- ▶ **After that you cannot change!!**