



ATHENS WEEK – GENERAL RULES

For ATHENS STUDENTS: THINGS TO KNOW

ParisTech is the General Coordinator of the ATHENS Programme.
All students commit themselves to respecting the ATHENS general rules.

PHILOSOPHY OF THE PROGRAMME

- The ATHENS week is a programme dedicated to academic excellence but also to **cultural exchange** and **new course experience**.
- The first selection stage is handled locally by your home institution local coordinator who may either propose or refuse your application to the programme
- The final selection stage is handled by ParisTech. Due to the important number of participants (+/- 2000 students at each session) the process is computer-aided considering several constraints: the minimum and maximum places available in each course, the diversity of participants in each course, the number of choices you make, etc.
- **Our objective is to ensure the participation of a maximum of students.**

BEFORE REGISTRATION

- Obtain confirmation from your home institution that you can participate in the ATHENS session (leave your university for one week)
- Check the ATHENS NETWORK website: <http://athensnetwork.eu/>
- Make sure that you are able to fund the costs (travel, and living costs) in cities where you select courses.
- If you are an **exchange student** currently studying at a member ATHENS institution (ERASMUS, Double Diploma students), you are not permitted to return to your Institution and town of origin to follow an ATHENS Session + you must inform your Home Institution of origin of your intention to participate in an ATHENS Session.
- Check on visa requirements (if applicable).

WHEN REGISTERING

- Read the course descriptions + check the attendance requirements.
- **Register for a minimum of 3 courses** (up to 6). If you apply for less than 3, there is a risk that you won't be placed in any course.
- Do not select a course if you are not interested in nor if you do not meet the requirements.
- Be aware that the choice of the courses is final.
- Make sure all data is valid on your registration form (e.g. housing, name spelling, etc.)
- **Read the Student Commitment.**
- After submitting your application, you must download the application and the Student Commitment forms (PDF file), print out and submit the forms to your home ATHENS local coordinator for final confirmation. Without this confirmation, ParisTech will not consider the application.
- In case of questions related to the application process, please **contact your ATHENS Local Coordinator, not the host institution.**



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AFTER REGISTRATION

- Once you get the confirmation of your selection in a course, **you are committed to following the course officially awarded to you by the Central Selection Committee in Paris.** You are not allowed to make any changes.
- You will receive a message with vital information related to housing, European Dimension activities, meeting point, etc.
- Make your travel arrangements as soon as possible.
- Final details on the session will be available on each host institution's websites some 10 days before the session

DURING ATHENS WEEK

- You are expected to attend and to actively participate in the course you are following as well as pay for and follow the European Dimension Activities.
- You are not a simple tourist; you represent your Home institution! In case of misbehaviour, your home institution will impose sanctions.
- By participating in the ATHENS programme, you must respect the code of conduct of your receiving institution, by recognizing the diversity of the community and not discriminating against others on the basis of their age, ethnic origin, race, nationality, membership of a national minority, culture, language, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, caring or parental responsibilities, illness, ability or disability, mental health status, medical condition, physical appearance, socio-economic background, religious faith or affiliation or lack thereof, political affiliation or opinions or lack thereof, or any other irrelevant distinction.

AFTER ATHENS WEEK

- You will be asked to complete an **Evaluation questionnaire on-line** at the end of their ATHENS course. Student evaluations help the Programme to develop. Thank you for participating!
- The Host Institution evaluates students' examination **according to its own system of grading.** No complaints will be accepted. An ATHENS course is generally worth 2 to 3 ECTS credits, but the number of credits may change at each university (please confirm the number of ECTS credits with your Local Coordinator).
- Grades are released on the ATHENS web-platform at the latest 6 weeks after the end of the Session.
- Certificates with marks for the course are released on the ATHENS web-platform at the latest 6 weeks after the end of the Session.