Lille, capital of the Nord-Pas-de-Calais region, is a city of contrasts—home to both a city center with buildings dating from the 17th-19th centuries and outlaying areas built up around industrialization in the 19th and 20th centuries. In and around Lille there are 100s of museums, historic sites and buildings, and parks and recreation areas. The Palais des Beaux Arts de Lille, the Fine Arts Museum, houses a collection of paintings, sculptures, and ceramics from the 15th-20th centuries in a grand 19th century building. It’s considered the second most important art collection in France (after the Louvre). The city has a vibrant nightlife set amid bars, nightclubs, music shows, and restaurants, and on weekends locals meander around Lille’s many markets.

Sciences Po Lille (Institut d’Etudes Politiques—IEP) is charged with study and research of contemporary politics—though, notably, students take a range of classes across the social sciences—with the aim of educating and training students for a variety of civil service jobs. The College of William and Mary’s exchange program with Lille is ideal for French majors or minors with an interest in the social sciences and politics. Classes are offered in economics, international relations, French political life, sociology, political anthropology, and more.

**Location:**
Lille, France

**Host Institution:**
Sciences Po Lille (L’Institut d’Etude Politiques de Lille—IEP)

**Term:**
Fall Semester, Spring Semester, or Academic Year

**Deadlines:**
October 1 for Spring Semester Program
March 15 for Fall Semester or Academic Year Program

**Eligibility:**
W&M student in good standing
3.0 GPA

**Language Requirement:**
Advanced French Language Skills

**Course Information:**
Students may choose from the full university curriculum. Courses are offered in a variety of languages (English, French, Spanish, and German), and formats, including semester-long classes and intensive seminars.

**Transfer Credits:**
Courses must be pre– or post-approved. Only transfer credit will be awarded; letter grades will not be posted in transcript or be included in GPA.

**Program Costs:**
Tuition paid to W&M plus a $75 application fee and $200 off campus fee (payable to W&M). Room and board coordinated through the International Office at IEP.

**Application:**
Applications are available online @
http://studyabroad.wm.edu

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