

IMEX Students Information:

LSE FACTSHEET

Lent term (Term 2)

Academic year 2015-16



THE LONDON SCHOOL
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About the LSE

Located in the heart of London, the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) is one of the foremost social science universities in the world. LSE is a specialist university with an international intake and a global reach. Its research and teaching span the full breadth of the social sciences, from economics, politics and law to sociology, anthropology, accounting and finance. Founded in 1895 by Beatrice and Sidney Webb, the School has an outstanding reputation for academic excellence. 16 Nobel prize winners have been LSE staff or alumni.

LSE frequently appears in the top reaches of international and national league tables, and was recently listed as London's top university for the third year in a row.

About the Department of Management

The Department of Management is home to the study of management and organisations at the LSE. The study of management is above all concerned with developing and using knowledge to invent practical solutions to problems spanning organisations, their enterprises, and their transitions. The department is committed to advancing the frontiers of the study of management, through its social-science based research, collaboration across the entire LSE, and its engagement with enterprises, organisations, and leaders throughout the world. We aspire to use knowledge in pursuit of both organisational success and social betterment by cultivating our students' talents for both inventive problem-solving and practitioner learning, at all points along their educational and professional careers.

For more information about the department please visit: <http://www2.lse.ac.uk/management/home.aspx>

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Lent Term dates for the 2015-16 Academic Year:

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| IMEX Exchange Students Orientation Day **COMPULSORY** | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 8th January 2016 (<i>details will be confirmed nearer the time</i>) |
| Lent Term 2015 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 11th January – Thursday 24th March 2016 • Reading week: Monday 15th – Friday 19th February 2016 |

Orientation and Registration

Students are required to register with the School before they start attending classes; a session dedicated specifically to exchange IMEX students is arranged as per the dates above. We recommend that exchange students arrive at least a day or two before the start of orientation.

Students' attendance to the IMEX Exchange Students Orientation presentation is **compulsory**. This session is aimed at helping you settle in quickly to your term at LSE. It will give you the opportunity to learn in detail about the programme and to meet with the other students on the exchange programme.

Course Registration:

Courses are selected during the first two weeks of term via the LSE For You portal. Exchange students take 3 courses (half units) whilst at LSE; these are selected from a list of electives that can be found on the next page. Some courses are capped, meaning that they have limited availability. Students are expected to have a certain amount of flexibility when choosing courses as we can't guarantee a place on all the courses wanted at first. For this reason the system initially allows students to select up to 8 courses. Students can expect to get a place on at least 3 or 4 (usually more) of the selected courses. By the end of week 2 students are asked to drop the courses they no longer wish to take.

All students will be asked to complete a provisional course nomination form, to indicate their preferred courses, 2 months before the official course selection. This provides the LSE IMEX Office with an indication of preferred courses. Students will not have access to LFY until they have activated their LSE IT account.

Language of Instruction:

All courses are taught in English.

Teaching format:

The teaching style at LSE is normally in the form of lectures (with the entire class) and also smaller seminar groups (maximum 15 students) for more in-depth discussion and analysis. Each course generally has 30 contact hours and runs for 10 week with a break for reading week half way through the term. Attendance to all lectures and seminar groups is compulsory.

The graduate course guide is available [here](#) (the link will take you to the 2014/15 calendar).

Timetables:

The timetable is made available in mid-September and you need to be registered before you can access it:

<http://www2.lse.ac.uk/intranet/diaryAndEvents/timetables/Home.aspx>

Certain combinations of courses may not be possible due to the timetable so it is your responsibility to check the timetable and ensure that your combination of courses will not cause any problems.

Assessment:

The LSE exam period is May/June, long after you will have returned to your home school. Therefore assessment for visiting exchange students is based on coursework and attendance and contribution at class/seminar discussions. The assessed course work will usually consist of one or two essays, possibly an exam and/or class presentations.

Grading

Grading of work takes several weeks so you will not receive your grades until after your return to your home school. Transcripts will be sent to your home school showing grades based on a scale of A – E:

Distinction = over 70% (A)

Merit = 60 - 69% (B)

Pass = 50 - 59% (C)

Fail= Below 50% (D)

Term 2 (Lent Term) Courses – PLEASE NOTE this list is NOT confirmed, a new list will be e-mailed to you in November

NB: The list of elective courses is PROVISIONAL and therefore likely to change. Courses may be switched from one term to another or may no longer be running due to sabbatical leave or course discontinuation. Students will be notified in advance should this be the case.

| Code | Title | Term |
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| AC412 | Accountability, Organisations and Risk Management | Term 2 |
| AC444 | Valuation and Security Analysis | Term 2 |
| AC490 | Management Accounting, Decisions and Control | Term 2 |
| DV402 | Poverty | Term 2 |
| DV423 | Global Political Economy of Development, I | Term 2 |
| EU437 | Europe Beyond Modernity | Term 2 |
| EU446 | Patterns of Economic Integration in Europe: Institutions and Politics of EMU | Term 2 |
| FM421 | Applied Corporate Finance | Term 2 |
| FM441 | Derivatives | Term 2 |
| FM473B | Finance I Lent Term | Term 2 |
| FM474 | Finance II | Term 2 |
| MG4B1 | Corporate Strategy | Term 2 |
| MG4D4 | Cross Cultural Management | Term 2 |
| MG4D5 | Leadership in Organisations: Theory and Practice | Term 2 |
| MG4D3 | The Dark Side of the Organisation | Term 2 |
| MG4B7 | Organisational Change | Term 2 |
| MG485 | Management and Economics of E-Business | Term 2 |
| MG401 | Operations Management | Term 2 |
| MG418 | Open Innovation | Term 2 |
| MG421 | The Future of the Multinational Firm | Term 2 |
| MG422 | Thinking Strategically | Term 2 |
| MG425 | Global Business Management | Term 2 |
| MG430 | Strategy, Organisation and Innovation | Term 2 |
| MG436 | Firms, Markets and Crises | Term 2 |
| MG450 | Social Network Analysis and Strategies | Term 2 |
| MG452 | Behavioural Economics for Management | Term 2 |
| MG4B6 | Design and Management of Organisations | Term 2 |
| MG4C1 | Techniques of Operational Research | Term 2 |
| SA4D6 | Health Systems and Policies in Developing Countries | Term 2 |

Visas:

Students from outside the European Economic Area (EEA): since you are coming to study at LSE for less than 6 months, you can come to the UK with a '**Short-Term Study Visa**'. Details and instructions on how to apply for the Short-term study visa can be found on our [website](#).

Please note: you are not allowed to study at the LSE on a tourist/visitor visa

For any assistance on students visas please contact [ISIS \(International Student Immigration Service\)](#) at LSE via their [online query form](#).

Insurance

Exchange participants must arrive with their own health insurance that covers all international incidents.

Living Expenses

Living in London can be expensive and it is important that you do not underestimate the costs involved. The LSE's very general estimate of minimum living costs is **£1000 per month**. However, this can only be a very general estimate as how much you spend is up to you. London can be as expensive as your individual taste dictates.

The following links give more detailed information about the cost of studying in the UK.

<http://www.studentcalculator.org.uk/international/>
<http://www.ukstudentlife.com/Ideas/Articles/Cost.htm>
<http://www.monetos.co.uk/service/student-life/>

Housing: Depending on the area, costs can range from £120 per week (for a room in a shared house further out of London) to £200 (for a room which is more central). A small apartment near to the centre of London can be found for around £300 per week. Transport links in London are excellent so we recommend students consider looking at areas not right in the centre. The University of London website has information on various areas around London and the transport zone they are in.

<http://housing.london.ac.uk/cms>

Transport: Costs for the underground and buses vary from one zone to another, with zone one being the most central. With a student Oyster card you will save 30% on the full adult rates. Once fully registered at LSE students may apply for a [student Oyster card](#).

More information can be found on the Transport for London website: <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/>; for information on Student's Oyster card: <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/fares-and-payments/adult-discounts-and-concessions/18-student?intcmp=1768#on-this-page-3> and <http://www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/students/campusLondonLife/studentTravelCard.aspx>

Accommodation:

The LSE Accommodation Office is regrettably not able to offer rooms at any of the LSE halls of residence. Exchange students are encouraged to look for [private housing options](#).

The LSE Accommodation Office has a range of information on various properties for rent in the private sector. You can contact them for advice:

Email: accommodation@lse.ac.uk

Tel: +44 (0)20 7955 7531

Website: <http://www.lse.ac.uk/accommodation>

Here are some other good sources to help you find short term lets:

- www.easyroommate.co.uk
- <http://www.bedandbreakfasts.co.uk/london-school-of-economics-and-political-science/>
- <http://www.spareroom.co.uk>
- <http://www.rightmove.co.uk/student-accommodation.html>
- www.britanniatravel.com/halls.html has some short term housing in student halls.
- www.airbnb.com
- www.nidostudentliving.com
- <http://www.leeabbeylondon.com/>
- www.unite-students.com/student-accommodation-london
- <http://www.chestercentre.org.uk/>
- www.cassandclaredale.co.uk
- <http://www.goodenough.ac.uk/>
- www.indianymca.org
- <http://www.ish.org.uk/>
- www.touchstonestudentliving.co.uk
- www.loot.com.
- www.gumtree.co.uk
- <http://www.acorn-london.co.uk/accommodation/>

Students coming to LSE are eligible to use the University of London accommodation website too which also has some good tips: <http://www.lon.ac.uk/accom>

Most students are anxious to find somewhere to live which is very close to LSE. However, the area around LSE is not particularly residential and the more immediate areas which do have housing tend to be on the expensive side. Bear in mind that a short bus journey or a few stops on the tube will not take long. Distances between tube stops is fairly short so being 3 or 4 stops away is only around 5 to 8 minutes in time.

Please be cautious when using accommodation websites, there are a number of scams around. Be suspicious of anything which seems very reasonably priced and appears to be central and luxurious. Do not part with any money unless you are absolutely sure of where it is going. If you have any doubts don't hesitate to contact us for advice.



Student support services and Social Activities

• **Saw Swee Hock Student Centre**

The site has become a student hub at the heart of LSE's campus and adds significant value to the student experience at LSE. The Saw Swee Hock Student Centre includes:

- the [Students' Union](#) reception
- the advice and representation centre
- sabbatical and general manager's offices
- internet café and large venue spaces
- a pub
- a media centre
- a fitness centre including gym and dance studio
- faith centre
- the LSE accommodation, sales and marketing office
- the LSE Careers Service

Take a tour of the brand new Student Centre here:

<http://www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/students/campusLondonLife/swееHockStudentCentre/Home.aspx>

• **Internship/Careers**

Exchange students have access to all the services offered by the LSE Careers Service during the term that they are here.

This includes careers information on the website, the online vacancy board, one-to-one careers advice, CV feedback, careers seminars and practice interviews. You can access these services once you have formally registered at the LSE (usually in late September).

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the range of events organised by the Careers Service, including career fairs, workshops, company presentations and skills sessions and to apply for internships which are promoted by the School.

Most internships are posted on our online vacancy board which you can access via My Careers Service.

LSE Careers

Floor 5, Saw Swee Hock Student Centre
1 Sheffield Street
London
WC2A 2AP

Student enquiries:

+44 (0)20 7955 7135; careers@lse.ac.uk; lse.ac.uk/careers

Opening hours: Monday to Friday: 10am – 5pm

- **Library**

Your LSE student card is also your Library card. No additional registration with the Library is required. The Library collects social sciences material in the widest sense, with the collections particularly rich in economics, statistics, political science and public administration. Visit the Library Welcome Point at the beginning of term for general information, your student guide, and other freebies. Staff are available to answer your questions. Staff at the Help Desk on the first floor are available for any enquiries about using our collections and electronic resources: <http://www.lse.ac.uk/library/home.aspx>

- **International Student Immigration Service (ISIS)**

We provide detailed advice on our website which is updated whenever the immigration rules change and you can also come to our drop-in service in the Student Services Centre reception. We run workshops to advise students applying to extend their stay in the UK and in complex cases we can also arrange an individual appointment for you.

We can advise you on the following:

- Applying to extend your stay in the UK
- Applying to come to the UK to study from overseas
- Switching immigration categories
- Immigration implications if you need to interrupt your studies or retake your exams
- Correcting the end date of your visa if there has been a mistake
- What to do if your visa application is returned as invalid or is refused
- Registering with the police
- What to do if your passport is lost or stolen
- Travelling in and out of the UK

For more information including drop in times and dates of workshops go to: www.lse.ac.uk/isis

More information:

You can find more information on the students' pages of the LSE website:
<http://www2.lse.ac.uk/intranet/students/home.aspx>

Useful contacts

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| Accommodation LSE Accommodation Office (V210) - deals with everything related to LSE Halls of Residence, and can assist students in finding private-sector accommodation. T: 020 7955 7531 E: accommodation@lse.ac.uk | Legal Affairs Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) - offer free, confidential, impartial advice. www.nacab.org.uk http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk or www.adviceguide.org.uk/ |
| University of London Accommodation Office - information and advice about private accommodation in London. T 020 7862 8880 www.lon.ac.uk/accom/ | British Council - more information about studying in the UK. www.britishcouncil.org.uk T 0161 957 7755 general.enquiries@britishcouncil.org |
| Health NHS Direct - nurse-led helpline providing confidential healthcare advice and information. 24 hour service. T 0845 4647 www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk | The Department for Education and Skills (DFES) - information about fee status and government policy on international students. www.dfes.gov.uk/international-students |
| Samaritans - offers confidential, emotional support to any person who is suicidal or despairing. 24 hour service. T 08457 909090; jjo@samaritans.org | Money Worries LSE Financial Support Office - for students experiencing financial hardship. T 020 7955 7751 financial-support@lse.ac.uk www.lse.ac.uk/admin/financial-support |
| Nightline - Confidential listening support and information for students in London 020 7631 0101 listening@london-nightline.org.uk | Commission for Racial Equality - can provide advice and assistance in cases of racial discrimination. www.cre.org.uk |
| Relate - advice about relationships. Check the website to find your local centre. T 0845 1 30 40 16 www.relate.org.uk | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender (LGBT) Students London Lesbian and Gay Switchboard - 24-hour information, support and referral service. 020 7837 7324 |
| Sexual Health - The Family Planning Association UK's leading sexual health charity working to improve the sexual health of all people throughout the UK. www.fpa.org.uk ; T 0845 310 1334 National Aids Helpline: T 0800 567123 | International Students UKCOSA - www.ukcosa.org.uk the best advice service for international students. |