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**TERM DATES**

**MICHAELMAS TERM**
Thursday 22 September 2016
Friday 9 December 2016
( Teaching begins Monday 26 September 2016 )

**LENT TERM**
Monday 9 January 2017
Friday 24 March 2017

**SUMMER TERM**
Monday 24 April 2017
Friday 9 June 2017
"THIS YEAR IN LONDON CHANGED MY LIFE. PRIOR TO STUDYING AT LSE, I HAD A MUCH MORE LIMITED KNOWLEDGE OF CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES."

AKHILA KOLISETTY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
A year at LSE is more than just a year of study at one of the world’s most renowned universities. It’s a year to discover London; a year to discover new opportunities, new friends and new horizons. But more importantly, it’s a year to discover yourself. Quite simply, it’s a year that will change your life.

As a student at LSE, you’ll join an international community in the heart of one of the world’s most vibrant cities. What’s more, an exciting myriad of cultural events and attractions await discovery right on your doorstep.
This brochure provides information for students at universities outside the United Kingdom who wish to join LSE’s study year abroad programme – the General Course – usually as part of their work toward a degree at their home institution.

It complements our website, lse.ac.uk/generalcourse, which provides further detailed information and answers many of the most frequently asked questions.

**LSE OFFERS** no single semester study options; you spend a full academic year at the School.

**WE WELCOME** applications from suitably qualified students at any overseas institution in any country.

**YOU NEED TO HAVE COMPLETED** at least two years of university level study prior to joining LSE (unless studying on the University of London International Programmes).

**IF YOU WISH TO STUDY** qualitative courses (eg, government, management, law) you should have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.3/4 or above. If you wish to study quantitative subjects (eg, economics, mathematics, statistics) you should have a GPA of 3.5/4 or above in related subjects. Your grades should put you in the top 10-15 per cent of your class.

**IF YOUR TWO YEARS** of university education prior to joining LSE haven’t been undertaken in English, you’re required to provide evidence of your proficiency in the English language.

**YOU CHOOSE COURSES** from a list of over 250 but need only take one from the department to which you are assigned (two if in Economics). Your host department need not reflect your major interest.

**APPLICATIONS** can be submitted online, free of charge. They are considered from January 2016 onwards and will continue to be looked at until all the available places have been filled.

**SCHOLARSHIPS WORTH £15,000** each are available to four General Course students in 2016/17.

**UNIVERSITY HOUSING** is guaranteed to all General Course students.

“The General Course is a window that leads to a world of opportunities.”

Patrick Daniel
St. Francis College, NYC

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OVER 250 UG COURSES TAUGHT EVERY YEAR

#MORE THAN ECONOMICS

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At LSE, more than 250 undergraduate courses are taught each year by faculty organised into the following areas:

ACCOUNTING
ANTHROPOLOGY
ECONOMIC HISTORY
ECONOMICS
FINANCE
GENDER*
GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT
GOVERNMENT
INTERNATIONAL HISTORY
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
LANGUAGE CENTRE*
LAW
MANAGEMENT
MATHEMATICS
PHILOSOPHY, LOGIC AND SCIENTIFIC METHOD
SOCIAL POLICY
SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY*
SOCIOLOGY
STATISTICS

*No undergraduate degrees available. General Course students cannot be placed in these departments. A list of all the courses that were available to General Course students in 2015/16 is provided on pages 38-49.
15 REASONS TO JOIN THE GENERAL COURSE

There are actually hundreds of reasons to study at LSE. But here’s 15 we really think you should know about:

THE WORLD’S LEADING DEDICATED SOCIAL SCIENCE INSTITUTION
That’s not just us saying it. LSE consistently receives the highest ratings available for the quality of its teaching and research. It is also home to Europe’s largest social science library: the British Library of Political and Economic Science.

GLOBAL REPUTATION FOR EXCELLENCE
Graduate schools and employers around the world recognise and respect LSE. It’s a prestigious name and having it on your CV really sets you apart. You’ll also be part of an impressive global alumni network ensuring you maintain a life-long connection with the School, and enjoy a 10 per cent discount on LSE’s graduate tuition fees.

TEACHING DELIVERED BY LEADING ACADEMICS
LSE’s academics are at the cutting-edge of the social sciences, influencing opinion and helping shape society. They are frequently called upon to advise governments and international organisations, and provide an education grounded in the real world.

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SCHOLARSHIPS WORTH £15,000
Yes, really! All accepted students can apply for one of four John C Phelan General Course Scholarships, worth £15,000 each.

OVER 250 COURSES TO CHOOSE FROM
All the main social science disciplines are covered and are taught alongside degree-seeking students in a mixture of lectures and small discussion groups.

ELITE AND INTELLECTUAL STUDENT BODY
You’ll be amongst high-calibre students selected for their academic ability who share your enthusiasm for the subject matter and motivation to learn.

PUBLIC LECTURES DELIVERED BY EMINENT OUTSIDE SPEAKERS
LSE hosts an extensive programme of events attracting leading individuals from all walks of life, including in the past year: Valery Giscard d’Estaing; Julia Gillard; Amitav Ghosh; Hugh Masekela; Thomas Piketty; Hank Paulson; Kevin Rudd; Joseph E Stiglitz; Herman Van Rompuy and Muhammad Yunus.

INTERNATIONAL AND COSMOPOLITAN ENVIRONMENT
LSE students are drawn from over 150 different countries and 69 per cent of all those at the School come from outside the UK. Of the School’s staff, 47 per cent originate from countries outside the UK.

GUARANTEED UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION
All students offered a place on the General Course are guaranteed university housing.

CENTRAL LONDON LOCATION
The School is on the doorstep of the City of London, Westminster and Covent Garden, providing great social and academic resources. London is both your campus and your social science laboratory.

GENERAL COURSE SOCIAL CALENDAR
A range of UK and European trips and excursions are offered at substantial discounts. General Course students also enjoy a range of bespoke events throughout the year.

RESIDENTIAL VISIT TO CUMBERLAND LODGE IN WINDSOR GREAT PARK
An introduction to both the UK and your fellow General Course students in the relaxed surroundings of an English country house.

OVER 150 STUDENT CLUBS AND SOCIETIES
Our clubs and societies cover a wide variety of interests including politics, culture, academia, sports, hobbies, and food and drink. Complemented by activities organised by the University of London.

WORK IN LONDON
General Course students have automatic entitlement to work on or off campus both in term time and during vacations.

SUPPORT OF THE DEAN FOR THE GENERAL COURSE
It’s reassuring to know that throughout your time at the School, the Dean is on hand to deal with any problems, queries or issues you might have. In addition, you’ll also have the support of a departmental academic adviser.

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I chose the General Course because it’s a perfect amalgamation of the American and the British education systems, and because it’s an entire year long. At LSE, I’ve not been limited to the requirements of my major. I was able to enrol in all kinds of courses, each of them with brilliant professors and amazing readings.

Nothing can compare with living in central London. Londoners demonstrate an amazing acceptance and awareness of other cultures, beliefs and ethnicities. The student discounts, multi-cultural food and the sheesha on Edgware Road are probably my favourite things but the opportunities for international students to work off-campus to make some extra cash are also fantastic.

LSE has helped me become more independent and driven. Students at the School are the epitome of the phrase “work hard, play hard” as they study as much as they go out. They are always busy attending careers fairs and debating about the future. My role in the Students’ Union Pakistan Society helped me manage my academic work and extracurricular activities simultaneously.

Spending a year studying abroad meant I got to know people I will never forget for the rest of my life. Instead of making temporary, superficial, relationships, I was able to bond with so many people. I understood what it was like to really live in the city and got a good grasp of the UK and London itself. Adjusting to a new culture, different education system and meeting new people takes time, and a full year at LSE is perfect for doing this.
The London School of Economics and Political Science is a place of genuine intellectual excitement and cutting-edge research. It employs many of the world’s leading experts in their fields and attracts the very best students from across the globe. The General Course offers you a unique opportunity to experience all that LSE and the great city of London have to offer, whilst undertaking a year of fully integrated undergraduate study at the world’s leading dedicated social science institution. LSE provides you with an environment in which you can study your chosen courses in depth, whilst becoming fully involved in all aspects of School life. Furthermore, not only will you be an LSE student but upon completion of your year you will become an LSE alumnus, thus beginning what we hope will be a life-long association with the School. I’m confident that your time at LSE will be both enjoyable and rewarding, providing you with knowledge and experience that will prove hugely beneficial in your future academic, personal and professional careers. If you think you’d enjoy this academically rigorous and culturally rich programme, I urge you to read on, and I genuinely look forward to receiving your application.

Mark Hoffman
Dean for the General Course
It's safe to say that our campus doesn’t overlook green fields and tranquil spires. Because we’re right in the middle of the world’s most exciting capital city. Right at the heart of Europe’s financial, legal and cultural centre. This is the real world. And it’s reflected in the learning atmosphere at LSE. Here, amongst a global population of students with varied backgrounds, experiences, views and beliefs, we encourage you to exchange and question ideas. To seek and develop solutions. And to have fun doing so. Let’s just say we almost need a separate book to list our recreational facilities and social calendar. Over 150 student clubs and societies, anyone? So if you’re up for the stimulus of new experiences in a vibrant and friendly new environment, your year of discovery starts right here. In fact, where eLSE?
This may come as something of a surprise, but we’re not all about economics. We also offer a range of social science subjects. In fact, subjects like anthropology, international relations and social policy were pioneered at LSE. General Course students can take virtually any combination of four year-long undergraduate courses (or the equivalent in half-units). You’ll find over 250 courses listed on pages 38-49 and on our website at lse.ac.uk/generalcourse – over two thirds of which don’t contain the word “economics” in the course title. That’s because we’re also big on subjects like geography, government, international history, law, and philosophy. But whatever your chosen subject, we guarantee you’ll be taught alongside LSE undergraduates in our regular scheduled lectures and classes. It’s an inclusive policy that’s proved highly popular and successful. And an environment in which we know you’ll positively thrive.

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BECOMING A LONDONER
Studying in the heart of London means the vibrant West End, Theatreland, the Royal Opera House and the British Museum are all on your doorstep. But so too are plenty of really useful educational establishments. The British Library, numerous professional institutes and the resources of the University of London are all handily close by.

GUARANTEED HOUSING
Great news. If you accept the offer of a place on the General Course and apply for housing by the deadline of 30 June 2016, you’re guaranteed to be offered a place in LSE or University of London accommodation. LSE offers a variety of different styles of accommodation, and in all of them, there’s a varied mix of home and overseas students, both men and women. They’re really welcoming and sociable. In fact, each residence has its own student committee that organises regular events, such as video evenings or film shows.

Further details of LSE accommodation can be found at lse.ac.uk/accommodation

WELCOME PARTY
A really popular and well-established event at the start of each new academic year is the Welcome Party for arriving study abroad students. Hosted by the Dean for the General Course and held in the week prior to the start of the Michaelmas Term, it’s a relaxed and easy way to meet your fellow students. Sure, everyone’s a little nervous and apprehensive but we guarantee that by the end of the party you’ll feel that you’re amongst friends. And that’s before you’ve even started exploring London together!

TEMBO
Tembo is our weekly General Course newsletter. No dreary read, this. It’s packed with academic advice, really useful cultural information, details of events, and brilliant money saving tips.
CUMBERLAND LODGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT

Another popular annual event in the General Course calendar is when we escape London for the peace and tranquility of Cumberland Lodge – a beautiful country house in the majestic splendour of Windsor Great Park. This General Course visit acts as an introduction to both the School and the UK and involves a mixture of academic seminars and social activities, so there’s time to explore the Park and the royal town of Windsor itself, including Windsor Castle. Held over a weekend early in the Michaelmas Term, it’s open to around 50 students each year, with the cost subsidised by the School.

GENERAL COURSE SOCIAL CALENDAR

Throughout your year at the School we organise a range of day trips and short breaks to help you explore the UK and Europe. Past excursions have helped our students to uncover the delights of Amsterdam, the rugged beauty of the Scottish Highlands, and the joys of an English brewery! Each trip is subsidised by LSE and offered to our study abroad students at a significant discount, helping you get the most out of your time with us. Highly recommended!

LSE STUDENTS’ UNION AND STUDENT SOCIETIES

The Students’ Union is all about you. Representing LSE students on campus, it’s there to ensure that your time at LSE is as full, trouble-free and entertaining as possible. To ensure your voice is heard, General Course students elect their own representative to the Union at the start of each academic year. The Union is brilliant at organising entertainments – concerts, films, cabaret and discos – and fund over 150 student societies covering a wide variety of interests. Great people, good times!

ATHLETICS UNION

Whatever your sport, we’ve a club to suit. In fact, we’ve got nearly 40 clubs for sports and many use the School’s stunning 25 acre sports ground at New Malden, Surrey. Here you’ll find pitches for soccer, rugby, hockey (both men’s and women’s) and cricket, together with grass tennis courts, and a restaurant and well-appointed bar, both of which are open on match days. At Houghton Street you’ll find a well-equipped gym, as well as facilities for indoor sports.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (NHS)

A medical centre is located on the LSE campus, providing free, comprehensive, National Health Service (NHS) care to registered patients and to anyone who becomes ill or needs medical attention while at LSE. General Course students are eligible to use the NHS on the same terms as UK residents.

Information about the NHS and how to register/make use of its services is available at lse.ac.uk/medicalcentre

“LSE GAVE ME THE INTELLECTUAL FIREPOWER TO CRITIQUE AND QUESTION ACADEMIC MATERIAL.”

ANDREA GALLEGO
STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY

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**STUDENTS WHO HAVE A DISABILITY, LONG-TERM MEDICAL CONDITIONS OR DYSLEXIA**

LSE is committed to enabling all students to achieve their full potential in an environment characterised by dignity and mutual respect, and aims to ensure that all individuals are treated equitably. To this end, the School’s Disability and Well-being Service provides free, confidential assistance to all LSE students and is a first point of contact for all disabled students, prospective and current. Specialist advisers are available to see students on a one-off or ongoing basis, and cover a range of conditions, including:

- physical/sensory impairments and long-term or chronic medical conditions
- dyslexia, dyspraxia, Asperger syndrome disorder and other neurodiverse conditions
- mental health concerns

**FACILITIES AT LSE INCLUDE:**

- assistance in the Library including specialist software, lockers, a book fetch service and photocopying assistance
- IT support and assistive technology
- a number of accessible and adapted rooms in most halls of residence
- infrared hearing support systems in all lecture theatres and some classrooms
- readers, note takers and support assistants, arranged as part of the LSE Circles Network of peer/staff support
- a Community Service Volunteer (CSV) who can provide practical assistance
- a rest room, with a bed and easy chairs
- an Individual Student Support Agreement (ISSA) that records agreed “reasonable adjustments” for individual students
- an Individual Examination Adjustment (IEA) that sets out any specific requirements for a student to undertake exams

Please contact the Disability and Well-being service at DISABILITY-DYSLEXIA@LSE.AC.UK

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**LSE STUDENT COUNSELLING SERVICE**

As an LSE student, you’re always our top priority. So we have a free and confidential service for all our students, which aims to help you cope more effectively with any personal or study-related difficulties. In short, we’re here if you need us.

More information and links to self-help websites can be found at LSE.AC.UK/STUDENTCOUNSELLING

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**CAREERS**

LSE Careers has an experienced team of careers consultants and information staff to provide assistance and advice to General Course students, both informally and in careers seminars and interviews. Whether you’re looking for internships, work experience, vacation work or part-time, term-time jobs to help finance your study, you can search for current job vacancies on LSE CareerHub.

For further information, please see the LSE, Careers website at LSE.AC.UK/CAREERS

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**CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT**

From 2015-18, LSE will be redeveloping the Centre Buildings on Houghton Street to create a stunning new facility that will replace four existing central campus buildings. While this will be an exciting time to be an LSE student, the project may also cause some disruption. Rest assured, we aim to keep this to an absolute minimum for everyone, with a view to unveiling an impressive new centre for the study of social sciences in the heart of campus in 2018.
Recall that the heat equation is

$$\partial u(\tau, x) - \frac{\partial^2 u(\tau, x)}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

with initial condition

$$A(\tau)$$
TEACHING METHODS

In each of the four courses you take over the year, teaching will consist of a mixture of lectures and linked classes (discussion groups), running in tandem. In these, you’ll work through questions, problem sets and issues raised in the lectures, as well as presenting and discussing your own papers or essays.

Lectures are attended by all the students taking the course. Which means, on a popular course, there could be several hundred students in a lecture. But for the classes, you’ll be in a much smaller group, usually consisting of no more than 15 students. In some advanced third-year courses, the two functions of lectures and classes may be combined in seminars or small-group tutorials. It really depends on the numbers taking the course, and on the subject being studied. The number of “formal” contact hours will also vary with the type of course you’re taking, but expect it to be between two to four hours per course per week.

While not compulsory, lectures are strongly recommended. Classes, however, are compulsory and you will usually be expected to submit two written pieces of work or a certain number of problem sets per course per term. Class teachers report each term on your attendance, work in class and written work submitted for the class. These reports are then sent to your academic adviser who will discuss them with you, as well as your overall progress. Your class teacher will also provide an overall grade at the end of the year. These will appear on your final LSE transcript, along with the grades for your final examinations, as a summary of your work at the School. The taught elements of our courses are intended only as a framework, providing you with a structure for your own research and reading. In addition to “formal” contact time, we expect our students to spend at least double the amount of hours pursuing “independent study” related to their four courses. The timetabled teaching might be just a few hours a week, but the associated reading and writing of essays, projects and other course work assignments make up a full working week. Remember, self-motivation and commitment are the keys to success!

EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT

For most courses, students are examined once – at the end of the year. This usually takes the form of a three-hour unseen paper, and all General Course students are required to take these exams. These results appear on the final transcript. A number of courses have an “assessed coursework” component that contributes towards the final exam mark. Typically, this usually consists of an independently produced piece of writing.
# The Library

The Library (The British Library of Political and Economic Science) is so much more than a book and journal collection. It's an invaluable resource boasting hundreds of study spaces and IT workstations, laptop points, rooms for group study, video viewing and photocopying facilities.

Of course, the Library’s Course Collection contains books on your reading lists. But in addition, the Electronic Library, accessible from workstations right around the School, provides access to an increasing range of publications, such as newspapers and journals.

The main stock of the Library covers the social sciences in the widest sense. Collections are particularly strong in economics, sociology, political science and the social, economic and international aspects of history. As an LSE student, you’ll also have access to the libraries of most other colleges of the University of London.

To discover more about the Library, visit [LSE.ac.uk/library](http://LSE.ac.uk/library).

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# Information Technology

We have around 1,000 PCs available for students to use on campus, half of which are located in the Library. All LSE residences are wired for direct connection to the School network.

**IT Services** provides information and help with connecting your personal laptop or computer to the LSE IT environment and accessing services and resources both on campus and off-site. IT support is also available 24 hours a day over the phone.

**In addition, LSE Mobile** is a really useful phone app that lets you access LSE information from your mobile device such as campus maps, PC availability, news and events, your course timetable, and your Library account.

For more information, visit [LSE.ac.uk/itservices](http://LSE.ac.uk/itservices).

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# LSE Language Centre

The LSE Language Centre is unique. No other centre specialises in creating courses targeted to the needs of students and practitioners in the social sciences field and related areas of study. All the Centre’s teachers are native speakers who combine extensive teaching experience with an educational background in one or more of the subject specialisms offered at LSE. So whether you’re going to study a modern foreign language or need to improve your English for Academic Purposes, their aim is to provide you with the highest level of language support throughout your studies.

Further information can be obtained from the Language Centre website at [LSE.ac.uk/depts/language](http://LSE.ac.uk/depts/language).
STUDY SKILLS SUPPORT
The LSE Teaching and Learning Centre offers a wide range of development opportunities to complement and strengthen your academic learning.

LEARNING AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENTS:
A series of open lectures and workshops, beginning with an “Introduction to Study at LSE” and continuing with topics including essay writing, effective reading, exam preparation and stress management.

LSE STUDY TOOLKIT: a web-based resource designed to help students tackle LSE-style study with confidence.

LEARNING WORLD: Providing online resources for a range of study-related skills, advice from LSE staff and links to other student-centred departments.

A LIMITED NUMBER of one-to-one appointments with study advisers (in both quantitative and qualitative subjects) or the Royal Literary Fund Fellow (for writing advice).

Further details are available at LSE.AC.UK/TLC

TEACHERS AND ACADEMIC ADVISERS
Individual class teachers can offer guidance about a particular class. There’s also a teacher responsible for each course (who guides the class teachers). In addition, you’ll be allocated an academic adviser, who meets with you several times over the course of the year, receives regular reports from class teachers, and is able to advise on your progress. Your academic adviser is also there to help with any academic, administrative or personal questions.

DEAN FOR THE GENERAL COURSE
In addition to your class teachers and an academic adviser, the Dean for the General Course is available to deal with any academic, administrative or pastoral support issues you might have. These can include advice on housing, particular course choices, and support for credit transfers to your home university (please note that each student’s home institution is responsible for determining how much credit is awarded). Rest assured, whenever you need assistance, the Dean will always be there for you.

“THE BLEND OF A COSMOPOLITAN CITY, RICH WITH HISTORY AND CULTURE, AND CHALLENGING AND THOUGHT PROVOKING ACADEMICS MAKES LSE THE PERFECT PLACE TO COMBINE REAL LIFE EXAMPLES AND EXPERIENCE WITH YOUR COURSE OF STUDY.”

SWATI BALAKRISHNAN
WHITTIER COLLEGE

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#JOIN THE GLOBAL DEBATE
Application for admission to the General Course may be made by students who will have completed at least two years of study in an overseas university by the time they register at the School. Students who have directly entered the second year of their university on the basis of A-levels or an International Baccalaureate Diploma will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Students who have directly entered their second year on the basis of “Advanced Placement” tests will not normally be considered for a place. We positively welcome good applicants from any university in any country, but students must register for the full academic year, i.e., from September to May. LSE has no “semester” or “single-term” programmes.

Students undertaking a University of London International Programmes degree with LSE as the lead college may be eligible for entry after just one year of study. Those interested in pursuing this opportunity should contact us at gc@lse.ac.uk before submitting an application.

Students must follow and abide by the specific requirements of their home university. Failure to do so may adversely affect the outcome of the selection process. Applications should comprise:

- A COMPLETED General Course application, available at lse.ac.uk/generalcourse
- A COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT showing grades up to and including the first semester of the applicant’s second year of university*. Transcripts must be written in, or translated into, English;
- TWO ACADEMIC REFERENCES, at least one of which must be written by a university teacher currently familiar with the applicant’s work, preferably in a field which he/she intends to pursue at LSE. References must be written in, or translated into, English.

*Students come to us from many different universities, using varied grading systems, so any transcript/record should be accompanied by a note on how to “translate” the grades. Once the completed application is received by the Student Recruitment Office, it normally takes less than seven working days for a decision to be issued. Both the applicant and their home university will be notified of whether or not a place on the programme has been offered. The applicant is under no obligation to accept an offer of admission, nor do they make any legal or financial undertaking before they arrive at the School.
How to apply

Application and induction dates
Completed applications can be submitted at any time and will be considered from January 2016. We operate a “rolling admissions” process until all the available places are filled, so applicants are recommended to apply early, ideally before June 2016. Students joining the General Course are advised to arrive in London a week prior to the start of the new academic year. That way, you can enjoy all the induction activities organised for new undergraduate students by the School and your department, as well as the induction specifically tailored for General Course students. You’ll find all the details in your Offer Pack.

Entry requirements
We judge each applicant individually and have no “agreements” that give advantage to students from particular countries or particular universities. We look in detail at each applicant’s recent university academic record, paying particular attention to the subjects studied and the grades obtained. For example, using university grade scales common in the USA, a student with a minimum 3.3 Grade Point Average (on a 4 point scale) will be positively considered. In the case of those students applying to departments, or predominantly listing courses, that are quantitatively based (ie, economics, maths and statistics), we are looking for a 3.5 or better in related courses, including higher level calculus and linear algebra. In practice, we are looking for students who are in the top 10-15 per cent of their class. We are primarily interested in your academic work in social science subjects and will be especially interested in the quality of your work in the fields you might wish to pursue at LSE. We are particularly interested in the comments of academic referees, especially if they are relevant to the courses you wish to follow at the School.

“Academically, culturally, and socially, LSE offers the best study abroad experience out there.”
Matthew Frisch
University of Pennsylvania

Applicants whose two years of university education prior to joining LSE haven’t been undertaken in English are required to provide evidence of proficiency in the English language. This is usually done through an International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) exam where a score of 7.0 in all four components is required.

Applications can be submitted directly to the School or via the Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University, or The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University (please see adjacent).
Those applying directly to LSE will incur no application fees and no tuition deposits. Most applicants will find that they are helped by initial contact with their home university’s Office of International Programs or Study Abroad Office. Such offices can advise you on their support for study abroad and its impact on your academic progress, financial aid, etc.

Students who are offered admission to the General Course will be notified by email and invited to complete an “Offer Response Form” online. This will be followed by an Offer Pack detailing information on our registration and orientation arrangements. We’re happy to deal with any enquiries you might have, preferably by email. Please feel free to contact the School to discuss any prospective application, by writing to GC@LSE.AC.UK

**THE COLLEGE OF GLOBAL STUDIES AT ARCADIA UNIVERSITY**

Students wishing to apply to the General Course through The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University (CGS-Arcadia) should visit the CGS-Arcadia website at ARCADIA.EDU/ABROAD for further information and details of the fees applicable.

**THE INSTITUTE FOR STUDY ABROAD, BUTLER UNIVERSITY**

Students wishing to apply to the General Course through the Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University (IfSA-Butler), should visit the IfSA-Butler website at IFSA-BUTLER.ORG for further information and details of the fees applicable.

**FEES**

The tuition fee for all students applying directly to the General Course (not through CGS-Arcadia or IfSA-Butler) in 2016/17 will be £18,240 for the full year. Please note, the tuition fee is the same for all General Course students, regardless of nationality or residence. The tuition fee covers registration and examination fees payable to the School, lectures, classes and individual supervision, and membership of the Students’ Union.

It does not cover accommodation or living costs which must be budgeted separately. We estimate that the cost of living in London for a year will total £12,000, however, savings can easily be made. For instance, walking to LSE can avoid local travel costs and students who cater for themselves or eat at LSE will significantly reduce their “household expenses”.

LSE is also a registered institution for most types of US and Canadian Student Loans. The LSE US Student Loans reference number is G06693.

**JOHN C PHELAN GENERAL COURSE SCHOLARSHIPS**

In the academic year 2016/17, LSE will offer four John C Phelan General Course Scholarships. Each award will be worth £15,000 and all students accepted on the programme will be eligible to apply. Applications will be considered primarily on the basis of need.

Further information is available at LSE.AC.UK/GCSCHOLARSHIPS
Our aim is to give you full access to those courses you wish to pursue. The Course List that follows represents what was taught in 2015/16. Although we cannot guarantee that everything offered in 2015/16 will be available in 2016/17 the vast majority will be. The LSE application form asks you to identify up to six courses of particular interest and, prior to your arrival, you will be asked to narrow this initial selection down to four courses, for the purposes of pre-registration. However, your final selection of four courses will only be confirmed after your arrival at LSE, and in consultation with your academic adviser.

A full Course Guide (naming the key academic responsible for each course, a description of its coverage, basic bibliographies and any prerequisites) is available on our website at lse.ac.uk/generalcourse and should be referred to when you complete the Course Preferences section of the application form. The three digit codes indicate whether the course is normally followed by our own three-year degree students in their first, second or third year of study, but access is not restricted for General Course students.
100 LEVEL COURSES are taught to LSE’s first year degree-seeking students. They are introductory level courses that have no specific prerequisites in their own subject but may require some mathematics or other related subjects. General Course students normally select these courses when they have no previous background in the subject, i.e., they want to gain experience of a new academic field.

200 LEVEL COURSES are taught to LSE’s second year degree-seeking students. They are intermediate level courses that have prerequisites in the form of university-level introductory courses in the same, or a closely related, subject. These courses are the equivalent of Junior year courses at four-year degree institutions and, as such, are usually the most appropriate for General Course students.

300 LEVEL COURSES are taught to LSE’s third year degree-seeking students. They are advanced and equivalent to either final year undergraduate or first year graduate courses. They have prerequisites of university level intermediate courses. General Course students should ordinarily only select one of these courses when they have a minimum of three semesters background and very high grades in the relevant field.

Please read the online course descriptions carefully as many courses assume a level of aptitude in the subject, and some are only available to General Course students with the permission of the teacher responsible. We also encourage new students to sample a range of courses in the first four weeks of the session and to discuss their own level of skill and the course expectations with lecturers and class teachers before confirming their course choices for the year.

The majority of General Course students find they are sufficiently stimulated by one (or at the very most, two) 300 level courses when combined with those offered at the 200 and 100 levels. The optimum combination for a serious student is usually one 300 level and three 200 level courses. Unless you have declared your major sometime ago and have a very strong background in the subject, it is unwise to take more than one 300 level course.

In the listing that follows, (H) designates a half-unit course and, therefore, one that counts for only half the “weight” of a full-year course. Typically, all of its teaching is contained in just one term and students would take two half-units instead of one full year course.
ACCOUNTING (AC)

Accounting and finance are concerned with more than just computational skills. Both subjects are central to the way in which management, shareholders and society at large perceive, understand and seek to change and control the nature of organisations, as well as to an understanding of how the market allocates finances to firms. LSE is known for pioneering new approaches to the study of the modern practice of financial management in organisations.

AC100 Elements of Accounting and Finance
AC211 Managerial Accounting
AC310 Management Accounting, Financial Management and Organisational Control
AC340 Auditing, Governance and Risk Management

ANTHROPOLOGY (AN)

Social anthropology studies human societies and cultures in a broad comparative perspective. Social anthropologists try to explain the causes of variation in social and cultural behaviour, and also to understand what it means to belong to a cultural group whose values and rules may be very different from those familiar to you. At LSE we are distinctive in our strengths in the fields of law, human rights, cognition, religious practice, kinship, gender, nationalism and everyday forms of the state. Our concern with the global south (or “third world”) leads to a serious engagement with issues of development, globalisation, industrialisation and the effects of neo-liberalism.

AN100 Introduction to Social Anthropology
AN101 Ethnography and Theory: Selected Texts
AN102 Reading Other Cultures: Anthropological Interpretation of Text and Film
AN200 The Anthropology of Kinship, Sex and Gender
AN205 The Anthropology of Melanesia (H)
AN216 Cognition and Anthropology (H)
AN221 The Anthropology of Christianity (H)
AN223 The Anthropology of South-East Asia (H)
AN226 Political and Legal Anthropology
AN230 The Anthropology of Industrialization and Industrial Life (H)
AN231 The Anthropology of China (H)
AN237 The Anthropology of Development (H)
AN238 Anthropology and Human Rights (H)
AN240 Investigating the Philippines: New Approaches and Ethnographic Contexts (H)
AN243 Children and Youth in Contemporary Ethnography (H)
AN244 Anthropology and Media (H)
AN250 The Anthropology of South Asia (H)
AN251 Cognition and Anthropology: Learning and Thinking in Relation to Social Institute
AN252 Anthropological Approaches to Value (H)
AN256 Economic Anthropology (I): Production and Exchange (H)
AN257 Research Methods in Social Anthropology (H)
AN268 The Anthropology of Schooling (H)
AN269 The Anthropology of Amazonia (H)
AN300 Advanced Theory of Social Anthropology
AN301 The Anthropology of Religion
ECONOMIC HISTORY (EH)

Economic and social history is concerned with understanding the process of change in the past. It uses the skills of the economist, the statistician and the sociologist, as well as those of the historian.

EH101 Internationalization of Economic Growth
EH204 Money and Finance: From the Middle Ages to Modernity
EH207 The Making of an Economic Superpower: China since 1850
EH238 The Industrial Revolution
EH240 Business and Economic Performance since 1945: Britain in International Context
EH307 The Economic History of South Asia, 1600-2000

ECONOMICS (EC)

Economics today tackles a broad range of problems, from barriers to economic development to international financial crises. An open-minded and scientific approach to these issues requires formal modelling of economic relationships, and testing hypotheses against data. The study of economics therefore involves developing problem-solving skills, including mathematical and statistical abilities, and applying these skills, without losing sight of the real world.

EC100 Economics A
EC102 Economics B
EC201 Microeconomic Principles I
EC202 Microeconomic Principles II
EC210 Macroeconomic Principles
EC220 Introduction to Econometrics
EC221 Principles of Econometrics
EC230 Economics in Public Policy
EC301 Advanced Economic Analysis
EC302 Political Economy
EC303 Economic Policy Analysis
EC307 Development Economics
EC309 Econometric Theory
EC311 History of Economics: How Theories Change
EC313 Industrial Economics
EC315 International Economics
EC317 Labour Economics
EC319 Economic Theory and its Applications
EC321 Monetary Economics
EC325 Public Economics
EC333 Problems of Applied Econometrics

FINANCE (FM)

Finance students examine the theory and practice of many aspects of the field that are key to understanding how financial institutions and markets operate around the world.

FM212 Principles of Finance
FM300 Corporate Finance, Investments and Financial Markets
FM320 Quantitative Finance

GENDER (GI)

The Gender Institute addresses the major intellectual challenges posed by contemporary changes in gender relations. It is unique in bringing together approaches from the social sciences and humanities to address key problems in gender studies transnationally.

GI200 Gender, Politics and Civil Society
GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT (GY)

One of the critical questions in modern society is how to manage processes of economic and social development so that we can make sustainable improvements in human welfare without destroying the environmental resource base on which all life depends. Our teaching emphasises the fact that the majority of environmental problems arise from human actions and decisions, and that all environmental management schemes seek to achieve objectives defined by humans within constraints imposed by political and economic systems.

GY100 Environment, Economy and Society
GY103 Contemporary Europe
GY120 Environmental Change: Past, Present and Future
GY121 Sustainable Development
GY140 Methods in Spatial and Social Analysis
GY200 Economy, Society and Space
GY201 Urban and Spatial Economic Analysis
GY202 Introduction to Development in the South
GY205 Political Geographies, Policy and Space
GY220 Environment: Science and Society
GY222 Applied Environmental Economics
GY244 London’s Geographies: An Introduction to Cultural and Historical Geography
GY300 Theories of Regional Development and Change
GY301 Political Geography of Development and the South
GY302 Urban Development: Politics, Policy and Planning
GY303 The Geography of Gender: Global Perspectives
GY306 Geographies of Race
GY324 Environmental Governance
GY325 Environment and Development

GOVERNMENT (GV)

Politics is about power, conflict and ideas. The study of politics involves analysis of the ways in which individuals and groups define and interpret political issues and seek to shape government decisions. It encompasses a broad spectrum of activities relating to public affairs, from elections and bureaucracies to wars and terrorism. Because it is at the junction of power and morality, politics has always attracted the attention of philosophers and historians, and its study, originating in Athens in the fourth century BC, is the seed bed of all the social sciences.

GV100 Introduction to Political Theory
GV101 Introduction to Political Science
GV225 Public Choice and Politics
GV227 The Politics of Economic Policy
GV245 Democracy and Democratisation
GV247 Theories and Problems of Nationalism
GV248 Power and Politics in the Modern World: Comparative Perspectives
GV251 Government, Politics and Public Policy in the European Union
GV262 Contemporary Political Theory
GV263 Public Policy Analysis
GV264 Politics and Institutions in Europe
GV303 From Empire to Globalization
GV306 Global Public Policy (H)
GV309 Politics of Money and Finance in Comparative Perspective
GV313 Politics of Trade in Comparative Perspective
INTERNATIONAL HISTORY (HY)

History is a wide-ranging and challenging subject to study. It seeks to understand the past and to make sense of the present, adding an important dimension to the understanding of many aspects of human society.

HY113 From Empire to Independence: the Extra-European World in the Twentieth Century
HY116 International History since 1890
HY118 Faith, Power and Revolution: Europe and the Wider World, c1500–c1800
HY203 The Arab-Israeli Conflict: Nationalism, Territory, Religion
HY206 The International History of the Cold War, 1945–1989
HY208 The History of the United States since 1783
HY216 Four Reichs: Austria, Prussia and the Contest for Germany since 1618
HY221 The History of Russia, 1682–1825
HY226 The Great War, 1914–1918
HY233 Empire and Nation: Britain and India since 1750
HY235 Modernity and the State in East Asia: China, Japan and Korea since 1840
HY238 The Cold War and European Integration, 1947–1992
HY240 From Empire to Commonwealth: War, Race and Imperialism in British History, 1780–1979
HY242 The Soviet Union: Domestic, International and Intellectual History
HY243 The Islamic World in the Era of the Ottoman, Safavid and Mughal Empires, c1400–c1800

HY311 The United States and the wars in Korea and Vietnam, 1941–1975
HY315 The European Enlightenment, c1680–c1799
HY320 The Cold War Endgame
HY321 The Struggle for the Persian Gulf, 1945–2003
HY322 Nazi Germany and the Second World War – Causes and Course, 1933–1945
HY323 Travel, Pleasure and Politics: The European Grand Tour, 1670–1825
HY324 Muslim-Jewish Relations: History and Memory in the Middle East and Europe, 1622–1945
“YOU DON’T JUST READ THE MOST CUTTING-EDGE AND INFLUENTIAL BOOKS AT LSE, YOU LEARN ABOUT THEM FROM THE AUTHORS WhOSE OPINIONS SHAPE THE WAY CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL LEADERS THINK.”

CHRIS BOSTOCK
TRINITY COLLEGE, HARTFORD, CT
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (IR)

International relations is the study of an international system composed of territorial states which acknowledge no superior authority over matters which they consider of vital interest. It deals with the nature of the changing relations between states and with non-state actors. It studies the functioning of the international system – the forces, factors, interests, customs, rules, institutions and organisations from which the theory and history of its development are formed.

IR100 The Structure of International Society
IR200 International Political Theory
IR202.1 Foreign Policy Analysis 1
IR202.2 Contemporary Foreign Policy in Practice
IR203 International Organisations
IR304 The Politics of International Economic Relations
IR305 Strategic Aspects of International Relations
IR306 Sovereignty, Rights and Justice: Problems in IPT
IR308 Systemic Change in the Twentieth Century: Theories of the Cold War
IR311 Europe's Institutional Order
IR312 Genocide
IR313 Managing China's Rise in East Asia
IR314 Southeast Asia: Intra-regional Politics and Security
IR315 The Middle East and International Relations Theory
IR316 United Nations
IR317 American Grand Strategy
IR319 Empire and Conflict in World Politics

LANGUAGE STUDIES (LN)

The study of language or literature is placed firmly within the context of society, economics and politics. All courses relate language study to the field of interest of social science students using a variety of written and audio sources.

LN100 Russian Language and Society 3 (Advanced)
LN101 Russian Language and Society 1 (Beginner)
LN102 Russian Language and Society 2 (Intermediate)
LN104 Mandarin Language and Society 1 (Beginner)
LN110 German Language and Society 3 (Advanced)
LN120 Spanish Language and Society 3 (Advanced)
LN121 Spanish Language and Society 1 (Beginner)
LN122 Spanish Language and Society 2 (Intermediate)
LN130 French Language and Society 3 (Advanced)
LN131 French Language and Society 1 (Beginner)
LN132 French Language and Society 2 (Intermediate)
LN140 Mandarin Language and Society 3 (Advanced)
LN142 Mandarin Language and Society 2 (Intermediate)
LN200 Russian Language and Society 4 (Proficiency)
LN210 German Language and Society 4 (Proficiency)
LN220 Spanish Language and Society 4 (Proficiency)
LN230 French Language and Society 4 (Proficiency)
### Mandarin Language and Society 4 (Proficiency)
### English Literature and Society
### Comparative Literature and Society
### Contemporary Literature and Global Society
### European Literature and Society
### Spanish Language and Society 5 (Mastery)
### French Language and Society (Mastery)
### Mandarin Language and Society 5 (Mastery)

### LAW (LL)
The study of law involves examining and analysing the rules and institutions that society establishes to promote justice and order.

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MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS
AND STRATEGY (MG)
To cope with the challenges of the 21st century, managers will require a deeper understanding of the global business environment and the social world, as well as a greater capacity for ongoing learning than provided by traditional business education. A feature of management at LSE is its emphasis on the social sciences – in particular, economics, psychology and sociology – as a lens for understanding organisations and management practice. Going beyond fads and catchphrases, students are encouraged to think about theory and evidence.

MG100 Leadership and Communication in Teams
MG103 Management, Labour and Work
MG202 Analytical Methods for Management
MG203 Organisational Theory and Behaviour
MG205 Learning from Quantitative Data
MG206 Firms, Management and Competitive Advantage
MG207 Economics for Management
MG208 Business Transformation and Project Management
MG209 E-business
MG210 Corporate Social Responsibility and International Labour Standards
MG211 Operational Research Methods
MG228 Evolutionary Approaches to Behaviour and Management
MG301 Strategy
MG302 Topics in Management Science
MG303 The Future of the Multinational Firm
MG304 Digital Platform Innovation
MG305 Innovation and Technology Management
MG306 Managing Diversity in Organisations
MG307 International Context of Management

MG308 Simulation Modelling and Analysis
MG309 International Human Resource Management
MG310 Risk and Decision Analysis for Management and Policy
MG311 Behavioural Decision Science for Management and Policy
MG312 Extreme Organisational Behaviour: Examining behaviour in non-normative organisational contexts
MG313 Practical Optimisation Modelling
MG314 Principles of Marketing
MG315 Marketing Action Learning Project
### Mathematics (MA)

The Mathematics Department at LSE is internationally renowned for its teaching and research in mathematics related to the social sciences, particularly the mathematics necessary for understanding economics.

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### Philosophy (PH)

Studying philosophy means engaging with some profound and fascinating questions; questions that any inquisitive and critical thinker will find themselves asking at some point in their life, but which many non-philosophers do not pursue in depth. In studying philosophy at LSE you will debate and investigate the issues and problems that have preoccupied philosophers since Greek times, as well as learning the skills and techniques of reasoning.

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SOCIAL POLICY (SA)
Social policy is a vibrant subject at LSE, taught by many leading experts in the field. People in the Department are broadly interested in what we should do to ensure the wellbeing of ourselves and others. How far do we have a responsibility as individuals to provide for ourselves? What should governments, employers, voluntary organisations and families do? Who gets what in our society and in other societies, why and what issues does it raise? You can study policies and measures at many different levels: local, national and international, and in many different kinds of organisation.

SA100 Foundations of Social Policy
SA101 Sociology and Social Policy
SA103 Population, Economy and Society
SA104 Social Economics and Policy
SA105 Crime and Society
SA201 Research Methods for Society Policy
SA217 Psychology of Crime and Criminal Justice
SA218 Criminological Perspectives
SA221 Poverty, Social Exclusion and Social Change
SA222 Principles of Social Policy
SA223 Health and Social Care Policy
SA250 Demographic Description and Analysis
SA302 Assessing Social Progress
SA309 Crime Control: Ideas and Controversies

SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (PS)
Social psychology is both an exciting area of research within psychology and a perspective on the whole of the discipline. Psychology at LSE looks at human behaviour in the contexts of evolution, health and development, society and culture and in relation to the economy, communications both interpersonal and mediated, politics, and social organisations.

PS102 Self, Others and Society: Perspectives on Social and Applied Psychology
PS203 Societal Psychology: Theory and Applications
**Sociology (SO)**

Sociology helps us to understand not only the unparalleled changes that are occurring throughout the world and the changing patterns of relationships between peoples, but also our own lives, predispositions, values and expectations in a way that no other academic subject can rival. LSE aims to be both a guardian of the discipline of sociology, and a leader in the development of the social sciences into new intellectual areas, addressing the social problems and ethical dilemmas that face a globalised post-modern society.

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**Statistics (ST)**

The Department offers expert teaching and supervision in time series, stochastic modelling, financial mathematics, actuarial statistics, latent variable modelling and sample survey theory and methods.

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Whilst you’ll be returning to your home university at the end of your time at LSE, the School recognises its ongoing commitment to current and former students, including those on the General Course. We operate a highly effective alumni relations programme that is administered by School staff and a network of volunteer alumni across the world.

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- intellectual freedom
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- collegiality
- sustainability

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