

Dear {!Contact.FirstName},

Welcome to our final Admissions newsletter! This newsletter is our opportunity to say goodbye to you, and to pass communications on to our colleagues in the Student Services Centre and your departments.

We will provide you some signposts to important Welcome information, offer some Top Tips, and share some wise words from the 2018 Education Officer in the LSESU.

If you have missed any of our previous newsletters, filled with information to prepare you for your arrival at LSE, you can find them <u>here</u>.

Kind regards,

Graduate Admissions Office

FINAL CHECKS BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Friday 21 September marks the beginning of Welcome. We look forward to welcoming everyone on campus! Before Welcome, you can prepare by checking for outstanding items to ensure your registration goes smoothly:

Make sure you have accepted your offer and submitted your Financial Undertaking Form before you get here! You can do this through your <u>LSE for You</u> account.

Your LSE network account and email are now available, so please log in to the <u>application tracker</u> and follow the link to activate your account.

While you are logged into your account, make sure to check that we have received all of your documents. If any are outstanding you will need to have submitted these before you can register, so make sure you do this as soon as possible. If you present your hard copy documents in person at registration instead of sending them, please bear in mind, this may result in short delays of up to three working days.

For those of you that registered early for pre-sessional

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News from around LSE

See the links below for some of our featured content from this month:

Video of the month:

Get LSE Ready: Campus Life



Event:

What next for International Climate Action?

Thursday 4 October 2018, 6.30pm-8.30pm

programmes there may be things that you haven't yet managed to do, such as activating your IT account, opening a bank account, or getting a UK mobile phone. Take a look at our guides to these tasks, and many more, <u>here</u>.

Don't forget to look at our '<u>Your First Weeks</u>' pages and the <u>Welcome Guide</u>, for lots of helpful information about what to expect from the first few weeks at LSE.

TOP TIPS

- Sign up to <u>clubs and societies</u> during your first couple of weeks, these are an excellent way to meet new people.
- Check out the Public Lectures and Events <u>schedule</u> sign up to attend those that interest you.
- Take part in social events in your Halls of Residence
- Remember that culture shock is a normal experience and should pass.
- Link up with a faith community, if appropriate. The <u>Faith</u>
 <u>Centre</u> may be able to help put you in touch with a local
 place of worship and there are several religious student
 societies on campus.
- If you feel unsettled talk to somebody. LSE has a range of <u>support services</u> available and exist to ensure you are enjoying your university experience.
- Check out the services offered by our <u>LSE Life</u> team.
- Get out and explore London! Check out one of our <u>student</u> <u>blog posts</u> on the London Social Scene.
- · Don't forget to enjoy yourself!

LATE ARRIVALS

We expect students to register on time, to ensure that your enrolment with LSE goes as smoothly as possible, and you do not have difficulty attending classes or entering the Library.

However, we do appreciate that there may be occasions when this is not possible and some late registration sessions are available; please see page 23 of your offer pack for details.

If you will be arriving late, you must inform your academic department as soon as possible. Your department will then be able to advise you on any vital information you have missed. Please see guidance and tips for late arrivals online.



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Goodbye from all of us in Graduate Admissions! We wish you all the best with your studies, and your time at LSE!

What I wish I'd known - 2018 LSESU Education Officer Esohe Uwadiae

Starting at LSE, I wish I knew I wasn't the only one who felt like an imposter. I was so sure that LSE had made a mistake with me and that I would be found out and kicked out.

My advice to anyone in that situation is that LSE doesn't make mistakes. When they decide who to make an offer to, they have a very rigorous process and they look at your capabilities and your potential to excel at LSE. Also when you start at Uni, everyone is at square one, your slate is clean and you have the chance to shine in this new environment. You are surrounded by, and are one of, the most intelligent and interesting people in the world. So do make the most of it and try your best to grow and learn as much as possible. Work hard on your degree: go to office hours, ask academics all the questions you have and never ever be afraid to ask for help. Academics are academics because they are experts in their fields, so don't worry about trying to impress them. But also try to learn about the world around you and the role you have to play in it. So join societies and learn a language and go to random public lectures. You have so much time and yet not much at all. In my time at Uni, I sat on six committees, I was a Peer Supporter, a Student Ambassador for Digital Literacy, an Off Campus Student Mentor. I got a First and got to spend a year working as the Union's Education Officer. Don't let how you came to be at LSE, and any perceived limitations you have of yourself, dictate what you think you can achieve. Your potential is limitless and you may just surprise yourself.



LSE LIFE

LSE LIFE is the place to come to develop the skills you'll need to reach your goals at LSE-whether it concerns your academic work or your personal and professional pursuits. At university, you'll be expected to learn independently and be proactive in your studies. We are here to help you figure out what this means.

Come to LSE LIFE—on the ground floor of the Library—to find your own ways to study and learn, think about where your studies might lead you, and make the most of your time at LSE. At LSE LIFE, you'll find

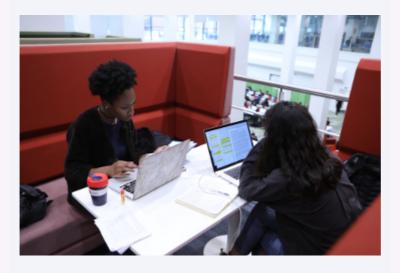
· Hands-on, small-group workshops where you can meet

other students and get advice on effective reading and note-making, academic writing, critical thinking, managing research, and organising your time, and more;

- · Online resources about these and other key skills;
- One-to-one appointments with our team of study advisers to discuss these skills or your questions or concerns about any other aspect of your life and work at LSE;
- Drop-in sessions with experts from around the School, covering areas like CV writing, English language advice, finding and referencing academic sources, and statistics support;
- Special events to take advantage of what LSE and London have to offer and to prepare for life after LSE;
- A space where you can meet and work together with students from other courses and departments.

Visit our website to find out more what you can do at LSE LIFE and how you can get ready for the new academic year by honing your skills for reading, writing, and managing your time at university. You can also check out our page on Moodle, LSE's online platform where many of the resources for your courses can be found. Even if you don't have an LSE username and password yet, you can consult them – just log in as a GUEST.

When you do arrive at LSE, come by to say hello and check out what's on offer! We're open Monday-Friday, from 10am – 6pm.



Changes to School Regulations for 2018/19

Academic policies and School regulations are revised and updated as necessary each year. The policies and regulations which have undergone change will be shortly available here.

For the most up to date versions of all academic policies and School regulations please refer to the LSE Calendar which will contain updated information from late-August. Please note that in the event that there is a discrepancy between the Regulations that were available at the time of your initial registration and those on the School's website, the Regulations in the online LSE Calendar shall prevail.

Changes to Summative Assessment for 2018/19

The Offer Holder News in July highlighted to students all of the courses which had undergone a change to their summative assessment tasks for 2018/19. These changes are intended to improve the quality of the overall student learning experience, as

a result of developments in the discipline, changes to course content, or on the basis of student feedback.

A full list of summative assessment changes for 2018/19 postgraduate students can be found here in the School's Calendar.

This information is provided to assist you when considering your course choices for 2018/19 and to keep you fully informed of any changes which may affect the courses available on your programme of study.

Courses not available in 2018/19

The Offer Holder News in May and July alerted students that some courses will not be running in 2018/19 due to temporary suspension or permanent withdrawal. These suspensions and withdrawals are due to a range of reasons including teaching allocations, new course offerings and student feedback. A full list of suspended and withdrawn courses for 2018/19 postgraduate students can be found here in the School's Calendar.

January Examinations 2019

The Offer Holder News in July provided students with a list of courses which will have a summative examination in the week of **7-11 January 2019**. It is important that you take this into consideration when planning your travel and accommodation needs. A full list of courses with January examinations can be found here in the School's Calendar.

With all the mentioned pages please note that they will be updated with additions and changes as necessary, so do check periodically for updates.

Finally, good luck with your travel preparations, we look forward to meeting you at Registration. Study hard, but remember to enjoy yourself!

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