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About the prospectus

This prospectus is for people interested in applying for graduate study at LSE. The first section provides a general introduction to the School and the programmes we offer, life at LSE, the student and academic support services, fee and financial support information, and tells you how to apply for admission. The next section contains information about our departments and institutes as well as more detailed descriptions of our master's, research and graduate diploma programmes.

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Dates of terms 2016/17

Michaelmas term

Thursday 22 September – Friday 9 December 2016

Lent term

Monday 9 January – Friday 24 March 2017

Summer term

Monday 24 April – Friday 9 June 2017

Equality and diversity

The School seeks to ensure that people are treated equitably, regardless of age, disability, race, nationality, ethnic or national origin, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or personal circumstances. Equality and diversity are integral to the School's priorities and objectives. We will support inter-faith and inter-cultural dialogue and understanding and engage all students in playing a full and active role in wider engagement with society.

The Ethics Code

The whole LSE community, including all staff, students and governors of LSE, are expected to act in accordance with the following principles which are set out in the School's Ethics Code:

- responsibility and accountability
- integrity
- intellectual freedom
- equality of respect and opportunity
- collegiality
- sustainability

The full code can be found at lse.ac.uk/ethics to view the full code.

Health and safety

LSE is generally a low risk environment. You can find information on our safety policy at lse.ac.uk/healthAndSafety, with details of the measures we take to ensure the health, safety and welfare of everyone involved with the School.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

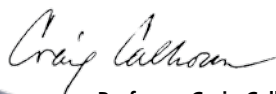

LSE is a wonderful institution. As one of the world's leading universities we attract extraordinarily talented students from over 145 countries. They study a range of programmes covering all the social sciences. All are taught by expert faculty, and link research-based knowledge to real-world issues.

LSE's identity and character are closely linked with our location in the heart of London, one of the world's most exciting cities. This benefits the School in many ways, not least through the School's close relationships with national government, foreign embassies and international organisations. The School is also closely engaged with cultural affairs, social issues, media, business and the financial institutions of the City of London. We provide a unique forum for public debate with heads of state, top global officials, corporate leaders, Nobel laureates and social activists visiting every week as part of LSE's Public Events programme.

LSE students are part of a vibrant and stimulating community, with societies representing hundreds of different interests and national groups available for you to join, making your student experience as diverse and exciting as you want it to be.

Over the next three years we are redeveloping part of our campus to further enhance the student experience with new teaching, learning and social spaces. You will find details of these developments in the following pages.

LSE's graduates continue to be in great demand and our alumni can be found in senior positions around the world. I'm confident that your time at LSE will be both enjoyable and rewarding, providing you with the knowledge and experience that will prove hugely beneficial in your future academic, personal and professional careers. If you would enjoy the challenge and opportunities that we offer, then we look forward to welcoming you to the School.



Professor Craig Calhoun
Director and President, LSE

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ABOUT LSE

LSE offers a unique opportunity to study the social sciences in a university with a worldwide academic reputation, while enjoying the cultural, social and recreational facilities of one of the world's greatest capital cities.

THE WORLD'S LEADING DEDICATED SOCIAL SCIENCE INSTITUTION

LSE is the only university in the UK specialising in the study of the social sciences. The School offers over 140 graduate programmes in a wide range of social science subjects taught within academic departments and interdisciplinary institutes; from Human Rights and Gender to Statistics, Law and Management.

LSE's academic departments achieve outstanding results in the HEFCE/QAA teaching quality assessments/subject review exercises; and a range of independent and authoritative assessments have judged the School to be among the world's leading institutions for the study of the social sciences.

Our research informs and constantly invigorates our teaching. Graduate students play an important role in the School's contribution to scholarship, through the research they undertake during their studies.

To understand the causes of things – *rerum cognoscere causas*

LSE was founded in 1895 by four leading members of the Fabian Society, with the aim of understanding the causes of things

for the "betterment of society". This ideal is still at the heart of LSE, and we seek to make our research and teaching practical and relevant to the real world.

At LSE, an individual student's opinion matters. We're looking for students who can study independently and who demonstrate rigorous intellectual skills.

Join the global debate at LSE

LSE is a place where ideas are developed, analysed, evaluated and disseminated across the world. LSE encourages active academic debate on current social, economic and political concerns, and there is an easy interchange of ideas between the School and the world outside.

Each year many influential outside speakers come to the School (politicians, business leaders, industrialists) as well as leading academics from all around the world who visit to participate in teaching.

Diversity of our staff and students

The total student population at LSE is around 9,700 full-time and 1,000 part-time, 56 per cent of whom are studying at graduate level. LSE students and staff come from a wide range of social, educational and ethnic backgrounds, with students from over 145 countries on campus,

and this makes for a stimulating and cosmopolitan environment for your studies.

£10.5 million in financial support for graduate study

LSE offers over £10.5 million in scholarships each year to its graduate students. Graduate students can apply for funding from the Graduate Support Scheme (for taught master's) and can be nominated for the LSE PhD Studentship scheme (for MRes and MPhil/PhD programmes).

There are also scholarships for students from specific regions of the world and awards for students studying specific subject areas.

As well as School funds, Research Councils and external organisations and governments around the world offer funding opportunities. LSE is an ESRC Doctorial Training Centre, with studentships available for all areas of economics and social science.

Our academics are experts in their fields

Many past and present members of staff act as expert advisers to political parties, the Civil service and policy pressure groups. For instance, Professor David Metcalf is chair of the independent UK Migration Advisory Committee, Emeritus Professor Lord Layard, founder of the Centre for Economic Performance, is a prominent expert on



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happiness and well-being and Dr Arjan Gjonca recently chaired the Commission for Reform on Higher Education in Albania.

The media often turns to LSE's academic staff for their response to topical issues or events. Professor Nicholas Stern (climate change), Professor Conor Gearty (human rights), Professor Tim Newburn (crime), Professor Anne Power (housing policy), Professor Tony Travers (London and local government) and Professor Danny Quah (the weightless economy) will all be familiar names to the average news addict.

Research quality

The Research Excellence Framework (formerly the Research Assessment Exercise – RAE) is a UK-wide assessment of research excellence at universities, undertaken by the Higher Education Funding Council every five to seven years. The most recent REF took place in 2013 and the results (released in December 2014) confirmed LSE's position as a world-leading research university, with the School topping or coming close to the top of a number of rankings of research excellence.

Individual subject areas at LSE also head national tables of excellence. LSE's Department of Media and Communications, European Institute and the combined entry of Management, Accounting and Finance all come top in the UK, based on a grade point average.

2014 REF rankings

| Rank | Institution | Total FTEs submitted | GPA | %4* for the institution | %4* or 3* for the institution |
|----------|---|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Imperial College London | 1,256.9 | 3.36 | 46% | 100% |
| 2 | The London School of Economics and Political Science | 532.2 | 3.35 | 50% | 87% |
| 3 | University of Oxford | 2,409.3 | 3.34 | 48% | 87% |
| 4 | University of Cambridge | 2,087.6 | 3.33 | 47% | 87% |
| 5 | Cardiff University | 737.7 | 3.27 | 40% | 87% |

LSE is the institution with the greatest percentage of 4* research attributed to the academics submitted to the REF. This table ranks universities by institutional GPA.

KEY:

FTEs – full-time equivalents

GPA – Grade Point Average, taking into account the relative size of Unit of Assessment submissions within an institution

4* – world-leading in terms of originality, significance and rigour

3* – internationally excellent in terms of originality, significance and rigour

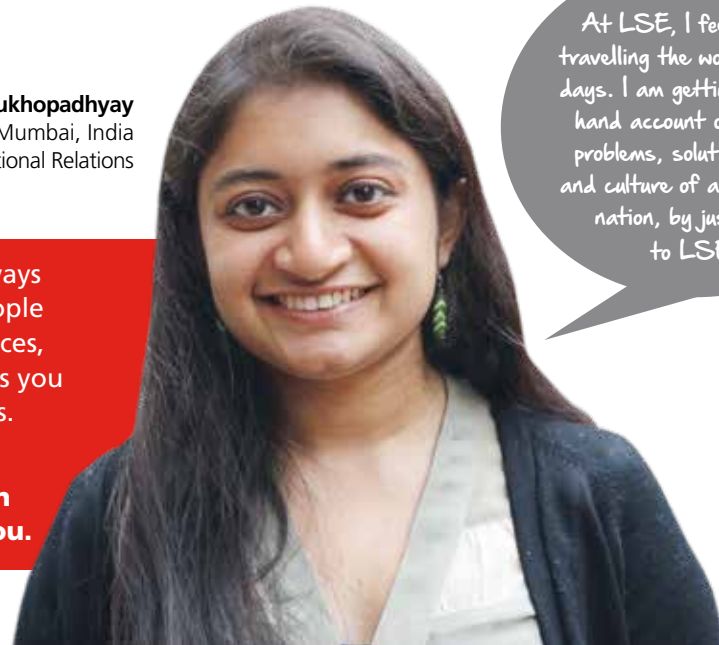
Ankita Mukhopadhyay

Mumbai, India
MSc History of International Relations

IS LSE FOR YOU?

LSE offers you the opportunity to study different ways of understanding human society together with people from all parts of the world, with differing experiences, view and beliefs, in an atmosphere that encourages you to question ideas and to seek solutions to problems.

If you enjoy being challenged – intellectually, socially, and personally – and are interested in living in a lively capital city, then LSE is for you.



At LSE, I feel like I'm travelling the world in 365 days. I am getting a first-hand account of political problems, solutions, laws and culture of almost every nation, by just going to LSE!

OVER 6,000
graduate students

140+ GRADUATE
academic programmes

£10.5
MILLION in financial
support for
graduate study

**HIGH
QUALITY
RESEARCH**

students from

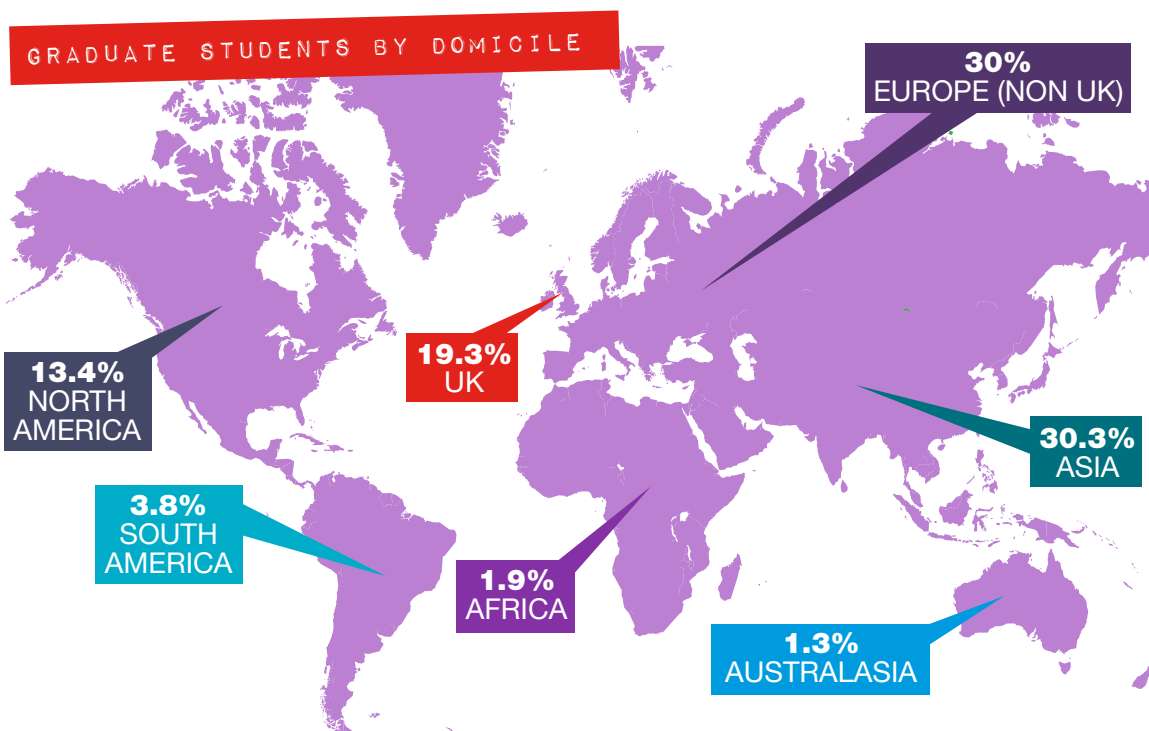
145+

different countries

Long history of
academic excellence
since 1895

ACADEMICS
consulted by the
MEDIA

**CENTRAL
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LOCATION



Heart of London

The School's location in central London is fundamental to its identity. LSE looks out over the London skyline, rather than green fields. It is stimulating, cosmopolitan and very much part of the real world.

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GRADUATE STUDY OPTIONS

LSE has developed graduate programmes to fulfil your needs whether you intend to pursue a career in industry, business, government, NGOs or academia, and whatever your background. It is also possible to join LSE for short periods as a visiting research student. Many programmes also offer a part-time option, allowing you to work alongside your studies and our executive programmes are designed with working professionals in mind. A unique feature of many LSE programmes is the opportunity to link your studies with other institutions around the world, giving you a truly international perspective.

Diploma

LSE offers diploma programmes in Accounting and Finance and as the first year of two-year MSc programmes in the Economics Department.

Diploma students attend specially arranged classes and tutorials; in most, but not all cases you would attend lectures from undergraduate courses. Most diplomas are assessed by formal written examinations, though a number have assessed work attached to certain courses.

If the level of your previous qualification or its subject content does not permit progression directly to a master's, you can use a diploma programme as a conversion or refresher course. A diploma is also a qualification in its own right, which extends the range and depth of your undergraduate studies.

Master's

LSE offers a wide range of taught master's programmes. A master's degree can serve different purposes and offers many benefits. You can study a subject in depth which you have taken and enjoyed at undergraduate

degree level and extend your analytical and critical capabilities; alternatively, a master's degree programme could serve as a conversion course from your first degree subject, so that you can acquire a different set of skills or knowledge at a much higher level. A master's degree can also act as research training to lay the foundations for more advanced work in a specialised field.

Many of the programmes we offer blend practical experience with rigorous academic analysis to help broaden the knowledge of practitioners in certain fields.

Taught programmes involve lectures and seminars each week in addition to your own self-study and preparation. The number of contact hours you have as a student varies from programme to programme.

On most taught master's programmes, students are assessed by a formal written examination at the end of the year, coursework and research assignments associated with each taught course and a long essay, report, project or dissertation.

Double and joint master's

LSE offers a range of programmes which give students the opportunity to study both at LSE and at partner institutions in London or overseas.

Double degree programmes are normally of two years' duration with students studying one year at LSE and one year at the partner institution. Upon successful completion of the programme, a student





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is awarded a master's degree or equivalent from both institutions.

Joint degree programmes are offered jointly with one or more partner institution(s) and may last one or more years. Upon successful completion of the programme, a student receives a single master's degree which is awarded jointly by LSE and the partner institution(s). Further information about these programmes can be found on page 206.

Executive master's

LSE offers a number of executive master's programmes for working professionals. Executive programmes are structured either as intensive short courses spaced through the year or as part-time evening courses. Further information about these programmes can be found on page 217.

MPA and dual MPA programmes

LSE's MPA programmes are interdisciplinary degrees designed to prepare students for professional careers related to public service. Further information about these programmes can be found on page 170.

Opportunities to link your LSE master's degree with study abroad

This section outlines opportunities for LSE students to link their LSE master's degree with graduate studies at another institution. These schemes typically involve the studying of two separate, existing programmes, which when combined together allow the student to obtain both qualifications in a shorter period.

LSE master's/HEC MBA scheme

This scheme offers students the opportunity to study an MBA at HEC School of Management in Paris in the reduced time frame of 12 months (usually 15 months) when combined with any master's degree at LSE. The application process to each degree is independent. Moreover, acceptance into one institution does not in any way guarantee entry into the other. The scheme allows applicants to study the HEC MBA or LSE master's in either order. However, applicants can only apply to the second programme once they have commenced studying for the first. For entry to LSE master's programmes, the standard application process and entry requirements apply. All accepted students will follow a standard master's programme at LSE and will be awarded the corresponding LSE master's degree upon successful completion. Please visit www.mba.hec.edu for information on the HEC MBA, including application details.

LSE master's/Master of International Studies at George Washington University

LSE master's graduates (who have completed within the last three years) are eligible to study the Master of International Studies (MIS) degree at George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs in the shortened time frame of one year (usually two years) after their LSE master's. Please visit elliott.gwu.edu/international-studies-masters for information on the MIS programme, including application details.

CEMS Master's in International Management

CEMS is a global alliance of leading business schools, multinational companies and NGOs that together offer the CEMS Master's in International Management (MIM) degree programme. LSE is the only UK member school in the CEMS alliance, and the LSE Master's in Management (MIM) is the only UK programme to offer the CEMS MIM. CEMS members work collectively to develop knowledge and provide education that is essential in the multilingual, multicultural and interconnected world. Students must submit an application to join the CEMS MIM programme in January of their first year in the (two-year) LSE MIM programme. Please visit cemis.org for more information about the CEMS global alliance and CEMS MIM programme.

LSE LLM/JD (Columbia)

This scheme consists of two years of study on a JD (Juris Doctor) programme at the Columbia University Law School followed by one year of study on the LLM (Master's of Law) at LSE. The exchange scheme is only open to JD (Juris Doctor) students already registered at Columbia. Upon the successful completion of all three years of study, participants will receive a JD from Columbia and an LLM from LSE. Please visit: law.columbia.edu/center_program/intl_progs/double_degree/JD_LLM_Program for more information.

Research

A PhD offers the chance to undertake a substantial piece of supervised work that

is worthy of publication and which makes an original contribution to knowledge in a particular field. Research programmes (leading to a PhD) are designed to produce professional social scientists well versed in a range of social science techniques and methods, in addition to having an in-depth knowledge of a particular area. At LSE, you will pursue either an MRes/PhD, which starts with master's level study in your chosen area, including methodology training, or MPhil/PhD, which follows on from previous master's level study, but may still include some taught elements.

Students studying for a PhD are required to carry out research (both from documents and in the field) and collect data from which they must write a thesis of approximately 100,000 words. Students in some departments may be permitted to submit a final thesis by a series of papers, with a linking introduction and conclusion. In addition, all students are normally required to attend certain taught courses. Although each student's method of research will be different, the amount of time spent on their studies will be broadly equivalent to that required to pursue an undergraduate programme or undertake full-time employment, ie, in excess of 30 hours per week. Should you be permitted to register as a part time student, the workload would be approximately half that of full-time students.

Duration of study

The time taken to complete any research degree depends on your progress and individual needs and you must remain registered with the School until your thesis has been submitted.

MPhil/PhD: You register for the MPhil in the first instance. An assessment of your work, which usually occurs between 12 and 18 months from your start date, will allow us to appraise your aptitude for original research at doctoral level. If you have progressed satisfactorily you will be retroactively upgraded to PhD status. The total duration of study is a maximum of four years full-time.

MRes/PhD: You register for the MRes, which lasts one or two years full-time, depending on which track you are admitted to. In order to progress to the PhD part

of the programme, you must satisfy the progression requirements for your department; usually a merit overall and a merit in the dissertation. Registration at PhD level is usually a maximum of four years full-time, meaning the total duration of the MRes/PhD is five or six years.

MRes/MPhil/PhD programmes normally start in late September each year but with the permission of the relevant department you may start in January (Lent term) or exceptionally in April (Summer term). This depends on the availability of taught courses that your department and academic supervisor decide that you must take. Most of those courses are held in the Michaelmas term, so most research programmes start in September.

You will be assigned a lead supervisor (and a second supervisor/adviser) who is

a specialist in your chosen research field, though not necessarily in your topic. Lead supervisors guide you through your studies. During your first year you will attend and contribute to departmental research seminars, workshops and research training courses. These are designed to strengthen your methodological skills, language skills or background knowledge of specific topics related to your research.

By the end of your first year you will be required to present a more detailed project proposal. The proposal, which should illustrate your command of the theoretical and empirical literature related to your topic, will be a clear statement of the theoretical and methodological approach you will take. It will include a draft outline and work plan, which should identify any periods of fieldwork necessary to your research. This should demonstrate the coherence and feasibility of the proposed research and thesis.

Students are invited to submit applications that complement the academic interests of members of staff at the School.

Opportunities to study abroad during your MRes/MPhil/PhD programme

Students may have the opportunity to link their LSE research degree with a short period of study at another institution during the PhD part of their study. These arrangements are usually in the form of a Research Exchange Programme with an overseas institution affiliated with the School. Exchanges or other similar opportunities are only available within

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certain academic departments and students must be registered within the appropriate department in order to be considered for an exchange arrangement.

These exchanges offer students an opportunity to visit another institution, to benefit from additional research resources (archival and advisory) and to become familiar with the academic culture and professional contacts of another country.

Current opportunities include:**Partnership PhD Mobility Bursaries**

Ten mobility bursaries are on offer each year to visit one of the School's five partner institutions: Columbia University (New York), the National University of Singapore (NUS), Peking University (Beijing), Sciences Po (Paris) or the University of Cape Town. For each partner institution, up to two bursaries are available for a visit of two to three months. Participants will work informally with an adviser on their PhD thesis, research and/or on related publications and presentations. Participants will be introduced to the academic culture, professional contacts and employment opportunities of another country/region. Students who have already been upgraded to full doctoral student status at any LSE department are eligible to apply. Calls for applications will be advertised internally at the end of Lent term for the following academic year.

Erasmus

Erasmus enables higher education students, teachers and institutions in



Being at LSE means that I'm working with experts within my field and I'm exposed to the latest research in my own field and in related fields. I also find it refreshing that the research taking place here is both academically important and of practical relevance.

Kamilla Buchter
Copenhagen, Denmark
MPhil/PhD in Philosophy



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/erasmus

THE BOLOGNA PROCESS

ehea.info

ec.europa.eu/education/tools/ects_en.htm

STUDENT VISAS

www.visas.gov.uk/visas-immigration

31 European countries to study for part of their degree in another country.

Other opportunities

There are a number of other arrangements in place in academic departments. Please visit the website for the most up-to-date information.

Part-time study

Many graduate programmes are available to study part-time. For master's degrees or diplomas, the usual arrangement is to take half the programme (in most cases two course units) in one year and half in the following year. Tuition takes place during the day, at the same time as for full-time students. The detailed timetable is available just before the start of the session.

Executive programmes are designed for people who intend to remain in employment, with teaching taking place

in the evenings or in intensive sessions spread across the academic year. For more information see page 217.

If you wish to be a part-time research student, you must discuss with us the nature and hours of your employment. Work commitments should amount to at least 15 hours per week, normally in the London area and during conventional working hours.

You should be aware that part-time study alone is insufficient to obtain entry clearance to the UK on a student visa.

Visiting students and staff

Visiting Research Student (VRS) status allows research students at other universities to spend up to one academic session at LSE. The application process is the same as for other graduate programmes.

A supervisor is assigned to every VRS, and you can take up to four full-unit taught courses. Examinations are optional, and grades do not contribute towards a degree or diploma. A full transcript of studies can be produced at the end of the period of study. Other graduate students may also seek registration as a VRS to take graduate level courses without the commitment of registering for a degree programme.

The Visiting Fellow Scheme is aimed at scholars (pre-Major Review equivalent/of post-doctoral status), persons/practitioners of equivalent standing in an appropriate profession/occupation, and researchers in the early stages of their career.

The status of Visiting Fellow is given to individuals from outside the School associated with School departments/institutes/centres. It recognises the contribution from those in government service, in professional practice, in the private sector, or in other appropriate fields, to research and other departmental/institute/centre activities. Enquiries about opportunities should be made to the relevant academic department or institute in the first instance.

Bologna process

The United Kingdom is signatory to the Bologna Declaration, which was designed to facilitate comparability and compatibility between higher education systems across a European Higher Education Area of some 55 countries. The action lines include developing easily readable and comparable degree systems and adopting a common three cycle system of degree levels. LSE has been monitoring developments in the Bologna Process closely, and has introduced the Diploma Supplements (enhanced transcripts) which form part of it.

Some of the School's master's programmes are nine or ten months in duration. If you wish to proceed from these programmes to higher study in EHEA countries other than the UK, you should be aware that their recognition for such purposes is not guaranteed, due to the way in which ECTS credits are calculated.



TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT

The academic year at LSE is made up of the Michaelmas (autumn) term, the Lent (spring) term and the Summer term.

Taught master's students

Most taught master's programmes span a full calendar year (September to September), though a few are nine or ten months long, finishing in July or August, and a few others span two years. Certain programmes, notably in the Departments of Economics, Finance and Management, require attendance at introductory courses before main teaching begins.

The majority of taught master's programmes comprise:

- taught courses, usually including substantial independent study, lectures, seminars, and other group activities. These may be examined through sit-down examinations, essays and other assignments
- a piece of independent research culminating in a dissertation

Teaching is usually spread over the Michaelmas and Lent terms, with the Summer term generally reserved for exams or other assessment, and/or the writing of a dissertation.

Independent study

Most LSE graduate programmes expect students to manage the majority of their study time themselves. This varies depending on the programme of study but students will certainly find themselves with plenty of opportunity to read and research those aspects of courses that most interest and excite them. Students should expect

to spend a significant amount of their time reading, note-taking, thinking and undertaking research.

Lectures

Most taught master's students can expect to have between three and eight hours of lectures each week. All students on a given course attend the same lecture, with anything from a handful to more than 50 students in attendance. Academic lecturing styles vary considerably – some will be highly interactive, others more didactic.

Seminars and classes

In addition to lectures, most courses will have an associated series of seminars or classes. A few courses opt to have a longer session incorporating more formal lecturing with group activities/discussions built in. Some seminars will be run by the lecturer responsible overall for the course, others may involve other teachers from the department. The purpose of seminars and classes is to give students the opportunity to discuss the reading or preparatory work done for the seminar and building on the lecture. It is very important therefore that you prepare for each seminar carefully and bring questions you would like to raise.

Course work, feedback and examinations

In all programmes of study, students will have some opportunity to get feedback on their work, prior to

undertaking any formal assessment/examination. This “formative” work can take different forms. It might involve presenting in a seminar, writing a short individual assignment, working on a set of problems, or undertaking a group project of some kind. All assignments should provide useful preparation for the examinations and formal assignments on which your degree classification is based. The vast majority of examinations take place in the Summer term and are usually two or three hours in length. For some courses, they account for 100 per cent of the final mark.

Dissertation or thesis

Many taught master's programmes include a specific research element, culminating in a dissertation or long essay (usually 8,000 – 15,000 words). In most cases, dissertation support will include a combination of some taught elements and individual support from a dissertation supervisor. The taught element often comprises a section in the student handbook, workshops on how to approach your research, along with some opportunity for students to present work in progress to their colleagues.

Course capping (master's and diploma courses)

To keep within School guidelines on graduate class size (a preferred maximum of 15) and/or in the event of demand exceeding departmental expectations, the School may limit the number of places on certain optional courses.



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/graduate

lse.ac.uk/calendar

Research students

Research students are expected to manage their own research with guidance from their supervisor. In addition, the majority of programmes require research students to take a number of taught courses in the first year, and some courses in the second and third years (see opposite for information about taught course teaching methods). Requirements will vary across programmes but will usually include methodology and skills training courses as well as subject-specific courses. All research students are also expected to attend, and usually present at regular doctoral workshops held in their department.

Requirements for progress reviews are set within each department but could include passing compulsory taught courses to a particular standard and/or producing particular pieces of work relating to the research topic.

The final award is determined by either a traditional thesis (60,000 words for an MPhil or 100,000 words for a PhD) or, for some programmes, a thesis containing a series of publishable papers, an introduction, critical discussion and conclusion (where a department does not permit submission by papers, this will be clearly indicated). A viva oral examination forms part of the final assessment for all students.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/calendar

www.lse.ac.uk/calendar/pg/updates15-16

LSE seeks to maintain the standards of its teaching and research by reference to the highest possible national and international comparators. We do this in a number of ways:

- A central committee reviews all proposals by departments for new graduate courses and programmes.
- The relationship between student and supervisor is shaped by School-wide Codes of Good Practice.
- Courses and programmes undergo monitoring and review by departments.
- Departments undergo regular review by the School.
- Students' views and experiences are an important part of the process of maintaining teaching quality. Reviews include confidential questionnaires, meetings to hear students' views, and each department also convenes a staff/student committee.
- The Dean of Graduate Studies chairs a forum of research students and a forum of master's students to discuss School-wide issues affecting them.

The School seeks to use these processes not just to maintain teaching quality but also to improve it.

Programme regulations

Detailed programme regulations and course guides are published online in the Calendar. You should visit the School's Calendar, or contact the relevant academic department, for information on the availability and/or content of courses and programmes of study. Certain substantive changes will be listed on the "Updated graduate course and programme information" page. Independent examiners and advisers

Independent examiners and advisers

As with all universities in the UK, experienced examiners from outside the School help set examinations for taught programmes, review results and decide on the award of degrees and diplomas. These examiners report to the School, and their comments and suggestions on examinations, course content and structure are taken very seriously. Similarly, external experts examine and report on theses for research degrees.



LIFE AT LSE

Studying at LSE, you'll be in the centre of London and ideally placed to make the most of all that London has to offer.

A cultural capital

At LSE museums, galleries, archives, theatres, libraries, music venues and an incredible variety of architecture are all on your doorstep. The British Library, the Royal Opera House, British Museum, and the West End are minutes away.

London has a number of green spaces too, with the nearby Royal Parks, and further out those of Greenwich, Hampstead Heath, and a variety of other open spaces with magnificent views.

As London is a global city, you will experience the influence of a mix of cultures and benefit from the mood of what is truly a cosmopolitan, multicultural place.

Whether you are into art, architecture, dance, film, music, theatre, sport, shopping or green spaces, London has something for everyone.

Working and employment opportunities

A major benefit of studying in London is that there are often more opportunities for part-time work, and salaries are higher than elsewhere in the UK. You'll also find plenty of chances to network with potential employers.

Living costs and student life in London

As a student, you will benefit from a range of discounts in shops, restaurants,

bars, gyms, cinemas, and concessions on travel. LSE students can also take advantage of a number of money-saving resources and tips, including the subsidised onsite gym, student societies, signing up for a National Union of Students card, and discounts for eating out, travel, leisure and culture.

The School itself offers a wide range of activities to its students. LSE's weekly Student News lists many public lectures, films and concerts. The Students' Union has its own newspaper, The Beaver, and supports a lively variety of affiliated social, political and ethnic clubs and societies; there are many social events and entertainments on campus throughout the year, at little or no cost.



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/lifeAtLSE

lse.ac.uk/financialSupport

lse.ac.uk/careers

It is possible to live economically in the capital by taking advantage of reduced price services and facilities on campus and beyond, making the most of student discounts and concessions in shops, restaurants and bars, and by avoiding touristy areas of the city. In fact the Student Living Index, a survey published by NatWest Bank, found that London is the most cost-effective place to study in the UK because of the range of part-time work opportunities available in the capital and the higher rates of pay on offer.

LSE makes broad estimates of the costs of living in the London area and these are available on the School's website. For 2016/17, the School estimates that students should allow about £1,000 – £1,200 per month for living costs, in addition to tuition fees.

How much you spend in addition to your tuition fees is your decision and these figures are only intended as a guide. The most important consideration is that you must satisfy yourself and the relevant authorities that you have sufficient funds to cover your entire period of study. Make sure you have accessed all of the financial support for which you are eligible.

LONDON AT A GLANCE



MUSEUMS, GALLERIES AND EXHIBITIONS are on your doorstep, and many are free



Enjoy **THEATRE, DANCE AND FILM** in London's West End



The **RIVER THAMES** is right next door, with **ROYAL PARKS** nearby

ACCESS TO financial and business districts and other **POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS**



OPPORTUNITIES for **PART-TIME WORK** during your studies



A **VIBRANT NIGHTLIFE** and **MUSIC SCENE**



Your London campus



Many eminent speakers have visited the School recently



ZAINAB HAWA BANGURA Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict for the UN



ERIC SCHMIDT executive chairman of Google



Leading American economist **LAWRENCE H SUMMERS** spoke about his report *New Approaches to Progressive Policy*



ANGELINA JOLIE PITT and **WILLIAM HAGUE** launched the UK's first Centre for Women, Peace and Security. The Centre opened in February 2015



CHRISTINE LAGARDE Managing Director of the IMF



JOYCE BANDA President of Malawi 2012-14



Nobel Peace Prize winner **MUHAMMAD YUNUS** the founder of Grameen Bank and author of *Banker to the Poor*



NICOLA STURGEON First Minister of Scotland



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/events



[@lsepublicevents](https://twitter.com/lsepublicevents)



facebook.com/lseps

Everyone is welcome to attend LSE's Public Events Programme, where some of the most influential figures in the social sciences can be heard.

Accommodation

LSE and University of London halls of residence

If we offer you admission, we will send you full details on how to apply for housing.

LSE offers a variety of styles of accommodation with a mix of students, British and international, men and women. Some halls provide a mix of undergraduate and graduate students, while others are graduate only. Each residence has an elected student committee that organises regular events, such as film evenings, quizzes and term parties.

The University of London also has intercollegiate halls which accommodate students from LSE and other University of London institutions. In addition

the “Garden” halls (Hughes Parry, Commonwealth and Canterbury Halls), currently closed for significant refurbishment, are scheduled to re-open in September 2016, and will be available for LSE students. Please refer to the website closer to the time for full details.

All LSE and intercollegiate halls have central heating, common rooms and launderettes.

Bankside House, Rosebery Hall and all intercollegiate halls provide some meals, with kosher, halal and vegetarian options. Meals are included in the accommodation fees with no opt-out and are available during term-time only.

Self-catered halls provide well-equipped kitchens.

The School offers a limited number of spaces for students accompanied by a spouse or partner and for families.

Rates and contract lengths quoted are for 2015/16, are subject to change and should be used as a guideline only. Please check closer to the time of 2016 entry for updated rates and contract lengths. Applicants will be required to specify their preference for contract length when making an accommodation application.

You can visit us in the Residential Services Office, room 3.02 Saw Swee Hock Centre.

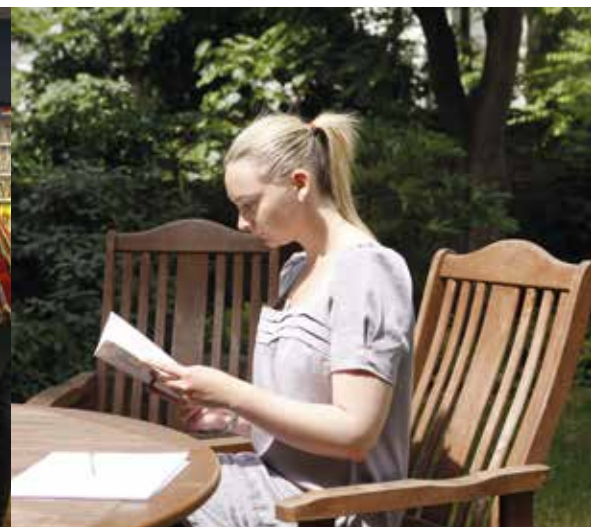
Private accommodation

Private housing can involve a range of options including a room in a family house, a studio/flat, or a share in a flat or house. The LSE Residential Services Office offers a comprehensive support service to students seeking housing in the private sector. This includes LSEStudentpad, where students can view lists of available properties, contact other LSE students

looking for housing, and receive updates from LSE on private housing news. Students will also have access to the University of London Housing Service which has a broad range of resources to assist students in their search.

**CHECK OUT THE
360°
TOUR
OF THE HALLS OF
RESIDENCE ONLINE**

[lse.ac.uk/accommodation/
residentialHalls](http://lse.ac.uk/accommodation/residentialHalls)



THERE ARE TEN LSE HALLS OF RESIDENCE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS:

BANKSIDE HOUSE
598 places
£199.50 – £220.15 /week single room
£127.05 – £141.05 /week shared room



Mainly single rooms, many with private bathroom facilities, on the South Bank, next door to the Tate Modern gallery.



NORTHUMBERLAND HOUSE
340 places
£218.40 – £250.95 /week single room
£124.24 – £137.55 /week shared room



Single and shared rooms with private bathrooms. Situated just off Trafalgar Square in the centre of London.



LILIAN KNOWLES HOUSE
366 places
£146.79 – £228.65 /week single room
£249.84 – £256.89 /week one bed flat

GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY



Located near Liverpool St Station and Spitalfields Market, this hall accommodates graduates only in single rooms within shared flats, single studios, and one-bedroom flats.



SIDNEY WEBB HOUSE
454 places
£144.90 – £161.35 /week single room
£182.70 – £196.70 /week shared room

GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY



Located near Borough Market and the South Bank area, this hall accommodates graduates mostly in single rooms, as part of shared flats.



HIGH HOLBORN
447 places
£217.70 – £269.50 /week single room
£135.80 – £148.75 /week shared room



Just a short walk from the School, in the heart of London's Theatreland. This hall accommodates both graduates and undergraduates, mostly in single rooms.



ROSEBERY HALL
140 places
£192.50 – £199.15 /week single room
£143.15 /week shared room
£243.95 /week double room

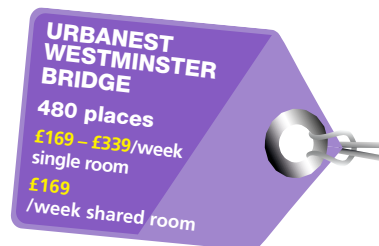


Graduate students are housed in the Myddleton Wing. Rosebery offers single, twin and double rooms close to Sadler's Wells Theatre in Islington.

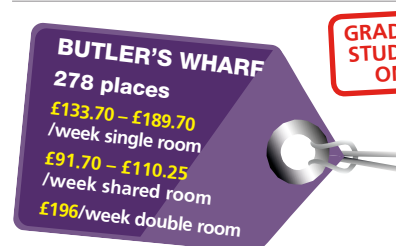




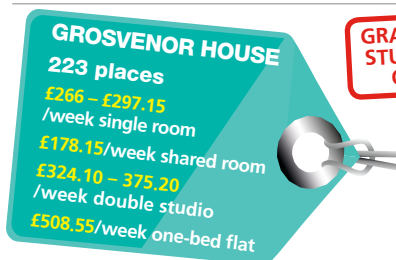
Studios, single ensuite and single rooms in shared flats. Students from various universities are accommodated with LSE students in a dedicated wing.



Self-contained studios, shared en-suite flats and two or three bed shared apartments. It is centrally located – near to the Houses of Parliament.



Located on the south side of the river Thames, this hall accommodates graduate students only in self-contained flats mainly shared by six people.



Located right next to LSE and Covent Garden, this hall accommodates graduate students only in single and twin studios and one-bed flats.



We are a mixed group, with many outgoing, highly sociable people as well as the quiet, more studious types. We are extremely diverse, and you are likely to find yourself living with people from five other countries. The common room is often busy with people relaxing in front of the television, playing pool or table football – and there's always someone around for a chat.

Harshita
Butler's Wharf

Strolling on Columbia Road where you can buy freshly cut flowers each Sunday, trying vintage clothes and eating food from all parts of the world on Brick Lane, going out in trendy bars in Shoreditch, passing by St Paul's Cathedral to go to LSE: Lilian Knowles is undoubtedly in the coolest area of London!

Estelle
Lilian Knowles House

THERE ARE FIVE INTERCOLLEGIATE HALLS OF RESIDENCE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS:

COLLEGE HALL
44 places
£207.90 – £240.10
/week single room
£277.90/week double room



Single and double ensuite rooms. College is a predominantly undergraduate hall and is centrally located near to Euston and King's Cross stations.



CONNAUGHT HALL
31 places
£166.95 – 232.40
/week single room
£138.25 – £149.10
/week shared room
£262.15/week double studio



Mostly single rooms. Connaught is a predominantly undergraduate hall and is centrally located near to Euston and King's Cross stations.



INTERNATIONAL HALL
91 places
£196 – £242.90/week
single room
£260.40/week double studio



Mostly single rooms. International Hall has a mix of undergraduate and graduate residents. It is centrally located near to Russell Square, King's Cross and Holborn stations.



NUTFORD HOUSE
35 places
£137.90 – 186.90
/week single room
£132.30/week shared room
£249.90/week double room



Mainly single rooms. Nutford House is a predominantly undergraduate hall and is centrally located near to Edgware Road or Marble Arch tube stations.



LILLIAN PENSON HALL
39 places
£175.35 – £225.75
/week single studio/room
£235.90 – £266
/week double room



Situated close to Paddington and Lancaster Gate stations, this hall accommodates graduate students only in single and double ensembles, studios and flats



lse.ac.uk/accommodation
lsestudentpad.co.uk
halls.london.ac.uk
housing.london.ac.uk





KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/centreBuildings

lse.ac.uk/newStudentsCentre

Campus developments

At LSE, we are always striving to improve the campus environment for our students. Two new buildings – 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields and the RIBA Stirling Prize short-listed Saw Swee Hock Student Centre – have opened on campus in the past two years, providing our community with fantastic new teaching, learning and social spaces. The Student Centre houses a number of student-facing services such as the Students' Union reception; the advice and representation centre; a learning space; a pub; large venue spaces; a media centre; a fitness centre, which includes a gym and dance studio; the interfaith prayer centre and the LSE Careers Service.

From 2015-18 LSE will continue to improve and develop its campus with the redevelopment of the Centre Buildings on Houghton Street. A new building will replace four existing central campus buildings: the East Building, Clare Market, The Anchorage and the eastern part of St Clements. While this will be an exciting time to be an LSE student the project may also cause some disruption in and around Houghton Street, as departments move home and then as the building phase progresses from 2015 onwards. Of course, we will aim to keep disruption 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. LSE will also be developing 44 Lincoln's Inn Fields, currently home to Cancer Research UK, from late 2016 for School purposes.



LSE Students' Union

LSE Students' Union (LSESU) is a charitable organisation, run by students for the benefit of students. With autonomy from the School, the Union has the power to improve life for all its members and is dedicated to providing an excellent student experience. Responsible not only for representing students, the Union is also home to over 200 societies and 40 sports clubs, an Advice and Support Service, a state-of-the-art gym, a number of bars and cafés serving quality food and drink at student prices, and a shop selling everything from snacks and stationery, to hoodies and birthday cards. In essence, LSESU is responsible for almost every aspect of the social experience at LSE.

All LSE students are automatically members, giving everyone access to all aspects of the Union. There are four full-time paid Sabbatical Officers who are elected to represent you on a range of issues and lead the direction of the Union; General

Secretary, Education Officer, Community and Welfare Officer and Activities and Development Officer. There is also a part-time paid Postgraduate Officer, and a team of eight additional part-time officers who represent the many different groups of students on campus on a range of issues which may affect them.

Getting involved in LSE Students' Union is a rewarding and enriching experience, and you'll be joining a long list of active political and social alumni from throughout LSE and LSESU's impressive past.

Student activities

Societies

With over 200 societies in the Students' Union, you can be sure that there will be something to cater to your interests. The variety of societies changes with each new group of students that comes and goes. From knitting to investment there is something for nearly everyone, but there's

always room for more. All societies are student run so it is a great chance to get involved, have a great time and leave your mark on the Students' Union.

Media

The Students' Union also has an active media group made up of four different outlets: the weekly newspaper *The Beaver*; *Pulse*, the radio station; *Loose TV*, the student film group; and the *Clare Market Review*, the termly journal. All give students a great opportunity to make themselves heard and get real experience of operating within different fields of the media.

Sports

Sports enthusiasts won't be disappointed by the activities on offer. For those who want to get involved in competitive sport, the Athletics Union is home to approximately 40 sports clubs, with teams competing in a variety of competitions including those hosted by the British Universities

and Colleges Sport (BUCS) and London University Sports Leagues (LUSL). Anyone who is at the top end of their sport can also apply to become an LSE Sports Ambassador. This scheme aims to support elite athletes at LSE through their studies whilst allowing them to compete at the highest level of their chosen sport.

For those wishing to be a little less competitive, LSESU has gained funding from Sport England to run a recreational sports programme, Active LifeStylE, which includes a range of intramural leagues, drop-in sessions, beginner courses and one-off events. These sessions take place throughout the year and are either held on campus or close by.

LSE sports facilities include a 25-acre sportsground at New Malden, Surrey, called Berrylands, which is a short train journey away from campus. At Berrylands you'll find space that caters to a variety of outdoor sports such as football, cricket, netball and rugby, as well as a bar and dining facilities. On-campus facilities include a state-of-the-art gym and a dance studio, as well as facilities for martial arts and table tennis.

Employability and development

LSESU offers an Employability and Development training programme designed to provide students with the opportunities to develop, learn and grow during their time at university. The programme is a series of free, skills-based workshops on topics such as managing conflict, public speaking, sponsorship, campaigns, event management and





KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk

lse.ac.uk/cateringServices

social media marketing, and is hosted in conjunction with LSE Careers.

Advice and support

The Students' Union Advice and Support Service offers all LSE students free, independent and confidential advice, support and representation on a range of issues that you may face during your time at the School. More information about this service can be found on page 25.

Student Central

Student Central is housed nearby in Malet Street, Bloomsbury (the former premises of University of London Union), and includes a number of facilities shared by University of London students, including a swimming pool, bars, cafés, shops and other recreation facilities.

Food and drink

Our catering facilities offer a wide range of food and drink together with the opportunity to socialise with friends and colleagues. There are numerous restaurants and cafés on the campus, which provide quality food at affordable prices, together with two student pubs: the George IV and the Three Tuns. LSE's Catering Services have been awarded Fairtrade status for our commitment to offering products and services from fairly traded sources.

VIDEOS



Why study at LSE

lse.ac.uk/whyLSEVideo



Saw Swee Hock Student Centre

lse.ac.uk/sawSweeHockVideo



Life in London

lse.ac.uk/lifeInLondonVideo



How to apply for graduate study

lse.ac.uk/pgVideo



Day in the life of an LSE student

lse.ac.uk/dayInTheLifeVideo



LSE in one word

lse.ac.uk/oneWordVideo

STUDENT SERVICES

LSE graduate students are of different ages and come from a wide range of backgrounds. To help students reach their full potential, the School has in place a range of student services to ensure your whole experience is as rewarding and enjoyable as possible.

Medical Centre

A Medical Centre located on the second floor of Tower 3 provides full NHS services to registered patients.

In April 2015, the UK government introduced a surcharge for use of the NHS for all visa applications of over six months. At the time of going to print, Tier 4 students are required to pay £150 per year based on their grant of leave. This is payable in full at the time they make their visa application. Students here for a shorter period are advised to obtain private insurance. Further details of healthcare in the UK can be found on the UKCISA web pages.

Please note that St Phillips Medical Centre is not linked with LSE; students must still register at this GP to be seen for appointments.

If you live outside the immediate area of the School, including halls of residence in the SE1 postcode, you should register with a local GP.

Visit the National Health Service online to find a list of practices in your area.

Dental service

Sardinia House Dental Practice has been providing dental services for the staff and students of LSE over the past 20 years.

The practice is located within the LSE campus and can be found on the 4th

floor of Sardinia House opposite the New Academic Building on Sardinia Street.

It provides discounted private dental services to LSE staff and students ranging from routine check-ups and cleans to more complex implant, orthodontic and cosmetic treatments.

Emergency appointments are readily available and students can usually be seen on the same day for pain relief.

For more information please visit our website.

Disability and Wellbeing Service

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 Wellbeing Service, part of the wider Student Wellbeing Service, provides a free, confidential service 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 the following:

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

Prospective students are encouraged to make early contact with the Service and, where possible, to make a preliminary visit to the School. The Service can be contacted by telephone on **+44 (0)20 7955 7767** or by emailing **disability-dyslexia@lse.ac.uk** and there is more information on our website.

Facilities and services 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
- infra-red 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
- a Disability Equality Research Network for researchers who are disabled and/or researching disability
- an Individual Student Support Agreement (ISSA) that records agreed "reasonable adjustments" for individual students and is circulated with the student's consent on a need to know basis



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/medicalCentre

nhs.uk

ukcisa.org.uk

sardiniaDental.com

lse.ac.uk/disability

direct.gov.uk/studentFinance

lse.ac.uk/equalityAndDiversity

lse.ac.uk/faithCentre

- an Individual Examination Adjustment (IEA) that sets out any specific requirements for a student to undertake exams
- help (for UK students) with accessing Disabled Students' Allowance (see below)

UK students may be eligible for a Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) to fund disability related costs of study. Further details are available on our website. It is advisable to start the process as early as possible. Please inform the Disability and Wellbeing Service if you are already in receipt of the DSA.

LSE's Equality and Diversity Action Plan, which sets out how the School will enhance its equality practices to reflect the requirements of the Equality Act 2010, can be viewed on our website.

Faith Centre

LSE opened a state-of-the-art Faith Centre as part of its new Student Centre in 2014. It is a suite of rooms, including a large room for events, a social space, a quiet area for prayer and meditation and male and female Muslim prayer rooms, as well as



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lse.ac.uk/lifeAtLSE

lse.ac.uk/counselling

lse.ac.uk/nursery

the Chaplain's office. All staff and students are welcome to use the Faith Centre as a space for prayer and religious worship, for interfaith dialogue and as a place for quiet reflection on a hectic campus.

Student counselling

The LSE Student Counselling Service is free of charge for all current students at LSE. It aims to enable students to cope more effectively with any personal or study difficulties that may be affecting them while at LSE. There are eight professionally qualified and experienced counsellors in the service, and we offer about 80 sessions of counselling each week. Each session lasts for 50 minutes. The service is part of the Student Wellbeing Service. All counselling sessions need to be booked in advance, and can be made in person, by phone or email. There is also a daily Drop-In Service where you can meet

with a counsellor for up to half an hour. The service is open throughout the year, apart from when the School is closed (bank holidays/School closure days). The website has detailed information about the service, together with a wide range of advice and self-help resources.

Students' Union Advice

The Students' Union Advice and Support Service offers all LSE students professional, free, independent and confidential advice, support and representation on a range of issues that you may face during your time at LSE. We have a range of resources to help you, and if we cannot advise you we can help you find someone who can.

Students can get information, support, advice and representation by:

- talking one-to-one, on the phone or by appointment with an adviser

- emailing or getting advice from the website
- getting information from our website

Our team has a wide range of expertise and skills. We can help students in the following areas:

- academic issues – academic misconduct, appeals, mitigating circumstances, progression, and complaints (including discrimination)
- housing – problems with halls of residence or private rented accommodation, including disrepair, tenancy checks, council tax and deposits
- general welfare enquiries should you be unsure of who to turn to

Hardship funds are also available to assist students with unexpected costs that they may face whilst studying.

All services are independent, impartial, confidential and free.

Adviser to women students

A member of the academic staff acts as the Adviser to Women Students. She is available to discuss in confidence all issues of concern to women students in the School, including sexual harassment, and to offer advice and support to women students with personal problems.

Adviser to male students

A member of the academic staff acts as the Adviser to Male Students. He is available to discuss all issues of personal or academic concern with male students in the School, including sexual harassment, and to offer advice and support to male students with personal problems.

Nursery

The School provides a nursery for children between the ages of six months and five years. There are places for 63 children of students and staff of the School. From year to year, there may be a waiting list.

The nursery is open for 50 weeks of the year including all term time. Further information is available on our website.



LSE Careers

LSE Careers offers a comprehensive range of careers and employment services to support you in securing part-time work, internships, voluntary positions, graduate employment and further study.

LSE Careers online

The LSE Careers' website provides extensive information and resources about CVs and application forms, interviews, employment sectors, career planning, internships and work experience, while the LSE Careers Blog provides the latest news, information, deadlines and job-hunting tips. Students also have access to a range of specialist careers libraries and CareerHub, LSE's exclusive careers website, to book events and careers appointments, and search for a wide variety of voluntary opportunities.

Events

LSE Careers offers a diverse programme of events designed to help students

develop new skills and prepare for their future career. We run seminars covering topics from career planning in specific sectors and effective networking to writing CVs and performing well in interviews and assessment centres.

We also host a range of careers fairs and employer presentations which cover sectors including advertising, banking, media, entrepreneurship, international development, law, policy and consultancy. These events provide the opportunity to learn about different career options from the experts, network with potential employers, find out more about individual organisations and develop specific skills that are crucial to success both during the graduate recruitment process and in the workplace.

One-to-one career discussions

LSE students can book one-to-one appointments with a careers consultant to help decide which career path to take or gain advice about CVs, application

forms, further study and other topics. We also offer one-to-one practice interviews.

PhD students

LSE Careers provides specific advice to PhD students on a wide range of issues relating to careers both inside and outside of academia. Our dedicated PhD careers consultant provides one-to-one appointments tailored to students' career circumstances and we also run a comprehensive programme of PhD seminars throughout the year.

LSE Volunteer Centre

The LSE Volunteer Centre's mission is to embed a culture of volunteering within the LSE community. If you would like to develop new skills, make new friends and have an impact on society, the Volunteer Centre advertises a huge range of volunteering opportunities and also offers advice on finding a suitable volunteering position.



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lse.ac.uk/careers

lse.ac.uk/volunteerCentre

lse.ac.uk/generate

Entrepreneurship support

Generate, LSE Careers' entrepreneurship programme, inspires entrepreneurial potential and provides a platform for learning and developing relationships. Generate is open to students who are interested in becoming self-employed, starting their own business or working in an organisation that promotes entrepreneurship as one of its core values. The programme includes interactive skills development sessions, mentoring, networking events and a funding competition.

After you graduate

Alumni are able to use LSE Careers' services, including events, one-to-one appointments and online jobs and opportunities listings, for up to two years after the end of their programme.



ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

LSE provides a range of resources and services to help you make the most of your studies, from support for IT and learning technology to the Library, the Language Centre and your academic adviser; all these will help you in your chosen degree.

Advice and support

At LSE, every graduate teaching and research programme is managed within the framework of a Code of Good Practice, which is designed to ensure that staff and students clearly understand their obligations to each other.

You will have an academic adviser who can advise and help you on any academic, administrative or personal issues that may arise during your time at LSE.

The Dean of Graduate Studies is available to any graduate student who wishes to raise any problem, academic or otherwise. In particular he is available for the counselling of individual students who experience difficulties.

LSE Library

LSE Library was founded in 1896 as the British Library of Political and Economic Science and is the major international library of the social sciences. Its national and international importance has been recognised by the Higher Education Funding Council and the Arts Council England.

The Library's collections cover the social sciences in the widest sense; being particularly strong in economics, sociology, political science and the social, economic and international aspects of history. The collections include The Women's Library, Europe's largest collection of material on the history of women's lives, with a particular emphasis on the great political, economic and social changes of the past 150 years.

The Library has over four million separate printed items and a vast array of electronic resources including 60,000 ebooks and 108,000 ejournals. The Library has long opening hours and offers a superb study environment for students, with 2,022 seats, including 510 networked PCs, wireless internet access, 36 iRoam MacBooks available for loan, several group study rooms and different zones available for group, quiet and silent work.

As well as online and printed guides, the Library staff provide online tutorials and run training sessions on finding and using various resources. Academic Support Librarians for each academic department are available and can provide individual subject support.



lse.ac.uk/library/academicSupport

lse.ac.uk/schoolRegulations

lse.ac.uk/library

LSE students also have access to most libraries of other colleges of the University of London, as well as many other academic libraries in the Greater London area and nationwide.

IT at LSE

Information Management and Technology (IMT) provides a wide range of IT services, facilities and support, including high-speed network access, high-specification PCs and quality help, advice and training.

IT support

Hardware and software support for taught graduate students is provided by the IT Help Desk. There is also a Laptop Surgery, a walk-in centre and 24 hour



over-the-phone help. Research graduates receive IT support and specialist advice and assistance for research and teaching software from the IT Service Desk.

Guides and FAQs

There is an extensive range of online guidance on the IMT website, including FAQs and step-by-step instructions.

Training

Students can enhance and improve their IT skills through practical workshops, self-study resources and over 900 online video tutorials

Campus IT facilities

IMT provides IT facilities on campus, including a number of PCs, WiFi and printing.

Campus PCs

There are around 1,000 PCs available for students to use in open access areas around the School and in computer classrooms, with 24-hour PC availability on campus during term time. Over 450 PCs are in the library, which also offers laptops for loan. Research students have PC access in their departments, providing at least one PC per three research students. All student computer areas have laser printing facilities with colour printers and scanners available on campus. All networked PCs on campus have common desktop applications and specialised software installed including Microsoft Office, geographical and mapping software (ArcGIS, Google Earth), quantitative and qualitative analysis software (SPSS, SAS, STATA, NVivo).

Accessibility and assistive technologies

Specialist assistive technologies and software are available for students with disabilities, including dedicated, height-adjustable desks, screen-reading software, braille printers and voice-recognition software. Students can also book a one-to-one appointment to discuss requirements and support with an adviser.

Using your own computer

If you have your own computer you can connect it to the LSE environment and access services and resources both on campus and off-site. There is an extensive wireless network for internet and email access. Off-campus, students can access their email and personal network storage via Remote Access.

Residence bedrooms are wired for direct connection via network cable. WiFi is also available throughout most buildings in the halls of residence.

Other services

IMT offer a number of other services, some of which are highlighted below.

Software discounts and purchases

Students are eligible for free copies of Microsoft Office and Sophos Antivirus software and can purchase copies of certain software at a reduced rate.

Moodle

Moodle is the School's virtual learning environment, providing web-based support for courses and programmes. Tutors may use Moodle to deliver reading

lists and course information, support online communication and collaboration, and provide access to online exercises.

Lecture capture

A fully automated lecture recording system is installed in all of the main lecture theatres, and in many of the classrooms and smaller lecture rooms. If a lecturer has opted-in to use this service, the system records audio, video (where cameras are installed) and material displayed on the projector. Content is synchronised into a web page, which is then distributed via Moodle, email or online.

LSE Mobile

Free to download on Google Play and the App Store, LSE Mobile provides access to a wealth of useful information. Check your timetable, view your library account, look up maps and find out about the other facilities available on campus.

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 field of social science and related areas of study. All our teachers are native speakers who combine extensive teaching experience with an educational background in one or more of the subject specialisms offered at LSE.

Whether you are going to study a modern foreign language or need to improve your English for Academic Purposes (EAP), our



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lse.ac.uk/imt

lse.ac.uk/language

aim is to provide you with the highest level of language support throughout your studies.

All our language courses utilise the specialist talents of our lecturers who relate their own expertise to the teaching of languages for specific purposes. No other language centre can match our experience in this developing field.

The LSE Language Centre is constantly reviewing its provision and delivery, so the best way of finding out how we can support you is to contact us directly.

Before your programme

Students can take advantage of the following English for Academic Purposes (EAP) courses:

- an EAP Language Foundation Year for students looking to improve their English language skills consists of three modules which can be booked together or separately
- an intensive pre-sessional EAP programme at LSE for students who need to develop their English language skills before starting their degree programme
- a short online electronic pre-sessional course which will give participants a taste of the academic English required to succeed during their studies at LSE



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lse.ac.uk/tlc

lse.ac.uk/studyToolkit

lse.ac.uk/tlc/dissertation

lse.ac.uk/PhDAcademy

During your studies

Support and courses are available for both foreign languages and English for academic purposes:

- Our institution-wide language programme gives students who do not have a language component on their programme, the chance to learn or improve a modern foreign language.
- Languages currently offered: Arabic, Catalan, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish.
- If English is not your first language we will be on hand to give you advice and support throughout your time at LSE. This support is free and starts as soon as your programme does.
- Study skills support in liaison with the LSE Careers Service and the Teaching and Learning Centre.

Additional services

- proofreading, translation and document authentication
- one-to-one tuition
- language learning support

LSE Teaching and Learning Centre

The School's Teaching and Learning Centre offers a range of development opportunities across the year for taught master's students.

- Workshops and lectures designed to complement students' academic studies,

including how to write essays at LSE and how to manage your time effectively.

- LSE Study Toolkit: short films and guidance on developing skills in four areas that current LSE students identified as vital to success here: justifying your arguments; studying independently; communicating your ideas; and honing your quantitative skills.
- MSc Dissertation Week: a series of free activities dedicated to helping students plan, write and make the most of their dissertation.

PhD Academy

LSE's new bespoke PhD Academy, located on the Library's 4th floor, is designed as a space where PhD students can meet, access centralised services and take part in interdisciplinary workshops and other

development activities. Among the many things on offer are:

- places for informal meeting, a specially designed workshop space
- an adjacent suite of quiet study spaces
- an open door service
- a programme of workshops and other activities that support thesis writing and help strengthen research impact
- access to LSE's Research Degrees Unit, Professional development service, PhD careers advice, methodology surgeries, financial support and other key PhD student services.



MEET, VISIT AND DISCOVER LSE

Helping you choose

To help all potential students make an informed choice about coming to LSE, we hold a Graduate Open Evening, organise visits by academic and administrative members of staff to UK and overseas events and arrange campus tours.

Open Evening

To find out more about studying at LSE, please come along to the LSE Graduate Open Evening:

Wednesday, 4 November 2015

This is your opportunity to:

- find out more about LSE
- discover the wide range of taught and research degrees available at LSE
- attend subject-specific talks
- meet LSE academics and current graduate students
- meet admissions, financial support and careers staff

LSE visits you

In the UK, LSE representatives attend a number of postgraduate fairs and public presentations all over the country.

We also regularly visit a range of countries in North and South America, Asia, Africa, the Middle East and in Europe. During these visits we attend education fairs and conventions, visit colleges and universities, and meet students for presentations, receptions and counselling sessions.



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lse.ac.uk/meetLSE

lse.ac.uk/lseVisitsYou

lse.ac.uk/campusTours

Campus tours

If you cannot attend the Open Evening, you can come along to a campus tour. The tours last approximately 30 minutes and are led by a student guide. Please visit our website for full and up-to-date information about when campus tours are taking place.

Alternatively you are welcome to conduct a self-guided tour of LSE on any weekday between 9.30am and 5pm. Visitors can pick up a copy of LSE Explorer from the Student Services Centre (ground floor, Old Building) and explore the campus themselves.

Visit the Student Recruitment Office

You can visit the Student Recruitment Office (sixth floor, Tower One) on weekdays between 9.30am and 5.30pm to ask about our programmes, the application process and life at LSE.

Follow us on:



Experience LSE from home

Hear from current students, alumni and staff, and experience what it's like to study at LSE:



Study at LSE videos

lse.ac.uk/sroVideos



Student blogs

lse.ac.uk/studentBlogs



LSE Virtual Open Day

lse.ac.uk/virtualOpenDay



Email an alum

lse.ac.uk/emailAnAlum

GRADUATE CAREERS

An LSE education is valued by employers because of the intellectual rigour of its courses, the breadth of the student experience and the global focus of the School. According to the Destinations of Leavers of Higher Education Survey (2013/14), the average starting salary for LSE graduates six months after graduation is £31,410.

Graduate destinations

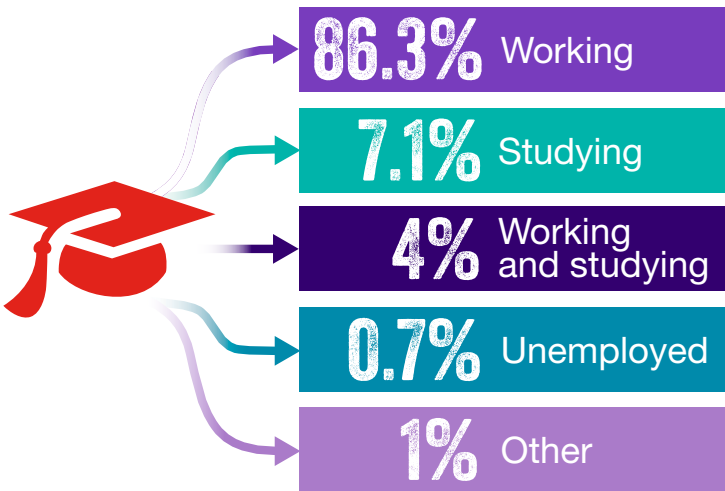
The School is heavily targeted by employers, and graduates from LSE are in great demand. LSE graduates take up a range of occupations in areas including finance, consultancy, management and NGOs. A large number of graduates also go on to undertake further study or academic research, enter the

teaching profession, find expert posts as economists, lawyers or statisticians; join central or local government or enter media and journalism.

View graduate destinations by degree programme and department and case studies written by graduates at the start of their careers on our website.

LSE graduates three years after graduation

3 YEARS AFTER



Working in the UK after graduation

International students who wish to work in the UK post-graduation are able to do so via a number of routes. The main route for students when they complete their studies in the UK under Tier 4 is to switch into Tier 2 General. To switch into this route, you will need to find a job with an employer who holds Tier 2 sponsor licence and is at “graduate level” with a minimum starting salary of £20,800. If you are applying to switch from Tier 4 to



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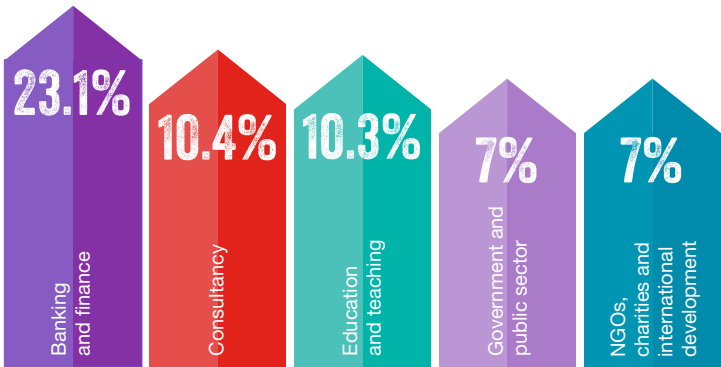
lse.ac.uk/graduateDestinations

lse.ac.uk/isis/workingAfter

Tier 2 from inside the UK, your employer will not have to pass the resident labour market test (this is where they must demonstrate that no other settled worker can do the job) and you will be issued with an unrestricted certificate of sponsorship.

LSE graduates with business ideas may also be able to apply to remain in the UK under the Tier 1 Graduate Entrepreneur route to set up their business. PhD students can apply to remain in the UK for 12 months after graduation under the Doctorate Extension Scheme.

Top five employment sectors for LSE graduates after six months



WHAT DO EMPLOYERS THINK ABOUT LSE GRADUATES?



"The Civil Service Fast Stream greatly values the quality, diversity and analytical aptitude of LSE graduates – which is why LSE continues to be a great source of talent."



"We are always on the lookout for high calibre students and the LSE Volunteer Centre certainly provides these. They make a significant impact on our work."



"We have had a number of excellent volunteers from LSE who have been really committed to helping COIN Street meet its aims."



"We work closely with LSE Careers to attract bright, motivated and commercially-minded individuals to Norton Rose Fulbright LLP. We know that LSE provides its students with an excellent quality of education, which also helps – and encourages – them to develop highly transferable skills which will benefit our business long-term."



"At PwC we've recruited a number of students from LSE. These students come from a wide variety of degree backgrounds and demonstrate key skills and competencies that PwC look for. As a major employer of graduate trainees, PwC recognises the important role played by the university in producing high-calibre, motivated individuals, who are ready to enter the world of financial services."



"At BCG, we're always interested in diverse educational, professional and cultural backgrounds. We know we can find those things at LSE; we have done in the past and will continue to in the future."



"LSE Careers is a great partner in helping us reach top talent. Career fairs and skills sessions are always very well organised and have great attendance. The key qualities that we are seeking in our candidates and find in LSE graduates are leadership, problem solving and communication skills."



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alumni.lse.ac.uk/newGraduates

AFTER LSE

Your global alumni network

After you graduate you will automatically join the LSE alumni community, a free worldwide network of over 130,000 alumni in over 190 countries. As an LSE student you will already be able to make use of this powerful network of contacts, expertise and talent.

The Alumni Relations team works closely with academic departments and student societies to ensure that current students have access to the alumni community during their studies. With over 90 regional and special interest groups worldwide, the LSE alumni network is one to be proud of and a fantastic resource for current students as they're preparing for a career in the field of their choice.

A number of services have been specifically developed to support students and recent graduates, including the Alumni Professional Mentoring Network. It provides students and graduates with access to alumni who have elected to offer their professional knowledge and expertise.

Following graduation you can stay connected with your former classmates and the School through the LSE Alumni online community.



Prominent LSE alumni



PAUL VOLCKER former chairman of the Federal Reserve



SHAMI CHAKRABARTI director of Liberty



MICHAEL LEWIS financial journalist and author of *Liar's Poker*, *Moneyball* and *The Blind Side*



LYKKE FRIIS former Danish minister for climate and energy and equal rights



STELIOS HAJI-IOANNOU founder of Easyjet



CLARA FURSE first female chief executive of the London Stock Exchange



CHERIE BOOTH QC



NITIN DESAI former undersecretary general for economic and social affairs of the United Nations



RAJAT M NAG former managing director general of the Asian Development Bank



MINOUCHE SHAFIK deputy governor for markets and banking, the Bank of England



NORA GAUSEL

OSLO, NORWAY

MSC MANAGEMENT AND STRATEGY

YEAR OF GRADUATION: 2013

In my previous degree, I had only taken basic courses within economics and management, with more advanced mathematics, and I found that the MSc Management and Strategy offered a good combination of courses to fit with my background. I took strategy courses with a quantitative focus and there was a good selection of electives within finance, accounting and economics.

After completing this programme, I went on to complete an MSc in Industrial Economics and Technology Management, an integrated degree combining engineering and economics. I now work at PwC within financial due diligence.

One of the most important experiences I gained from LSE was meeting and interacting with people from different cultures. LSE has a wide range of activities to participate in, such as sports and student societies, which enabled me to stay active and social and maintain a good study-life balance.

London is a great city with many different neighbourhoods, beautiful parks and outdoor areas perfect for walking and running. It's very vibrant and there's always something going on.



FEES AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The School recognises that living and studying in London can be expensive. The information here provides prospective students with details of scholarships and awards that are available both from LSE and from external sources.

LSE makes available over £10.5 million annually in financial support for its graduate students. The Financial Support Office offers help and advice on financial support and scholarships to applicants and existing students. While the information here is correct at the time of going to press, circumstances occasionally require us to

change the terms of awards, and new awards may also become available.

Tuition fees

Fees cover registration, teaching, first entry to examinations, the use of the Library and membership of the Students' Union. They also normally cover teaching

and the use of student common rooms at other colleges of the University of London, if your programme has intercollegiate arrangements.

Fees are fixed annually, normally in the spring prior to the start of the programme. Students are informed of the relevant fee level in the offer letter.

| | Master's – UK students | Master's – EU students | Master's – overseas students | Research – UK and EU students | Research – overseas students |
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| LSE Graduate Support Scheme | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| Leverhulme Trust Doctoral Scholarships | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| LSE Anniversary Scholarships | ✓ | | | | |
| LSE Master's awards | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| LSE country based awards | | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| LSE subject based awards | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| LSE PhD Studentships | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| LSE ESRC DTC Studentships | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| External funding | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Other sources of funding | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/financialSupport

lse.ac.uk/tableOfFees

Fee reductions and rewards

LSE undergraduates starting taught graduate study at the School are eligible for a fee reduction in the region of ten per cent of the fee. These reductions are available for UK, EU and non-EU students.

The School offers a range of early payment rewards for all self-financed students based on when payments are received by the School. Please refer to the website for the latest information.

Tuition fees for taught master's and diploma programmes

The fees for each taught master's and diploma programme are listed in the individual programme entries.

Tuition fees for MRes and MPhil/PhD programmes and visiting students

The likely fee for 2016/17 is listed below. Please check online for fees for following years:

| | UK and other EU students | Overseas students |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| MRes, MPhil and PhD | £4,153* | £16,536 |
| Visiting students | Please refer to the website | |

*Please note that this fee is provisional. We advise you to check the fees website from January 2016 onwards.



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/tableOfFees

ukcisa.org.uk

lse.ac.uk/financialSupport

Fee status

If you are offered admission to the School you will be advised of your fee status.

On receipt of your application the School carries out an assessment of your fee status determining the amount you are likely to pay at Registration. This decision is based on guidelines provided by the Department of Education: Education (Fees and Awards) England Regulations 2007.

These regulations state that to be considered for “Home/EU” fee status, a student must demonstrate:

- a)** that s/he was settled in the UK/EU within the meaning of the Immigration Act 1971 on the first date of the academic year – 1 September of the year the applicant wishes to apply for (settled meaning ordinarily resident in the UK/EU without restriction); AND
- b)** that s/he has been ordinarily resident in the EEA/Switzerland for a specified three years preceding the commencement of their course (ordinarily resident, meaning habitually resident in the EEA/ Switzerland); AND
- c)** that no part of this period of residence in (b) above was wholly or mainly for the purpose of receiving full-time education.

You may be asked to provide documentary evidence of your status/residence.

Once a student has registered at LSE, the student can only appeal against his/her fee status assessment in highly exceptional circumstances (either a change in law or if a student

becomes an EU national or child of an EU national or if an asylum seeking student is granted refugee status or Humanitarian Protection).

If you would like guidance on your status for fees, independent advice is available from UKCISA.

Financial help from LSE

LSE makes available over £10.5 million annually in financial support for its graduate students via a range of awards.

LSE Graduate Support Scheme

Around £2.8 million is available annually in the form of awards from the Graduate Support Scheme (GSS). This scheme is designed to help students (from the UK, the rest of the EU and overseas) who do not have the necessary funds to meet all their costs of study. It is available only for study of taught graduate programmes at LSE. Once you apply for admission for a diploma/master's programme, you will be emailed with a link to the LSE Graduate Financial Support Application form online, which you can use to apply to the Graduate Support Scheme. You are encouraged to complete this application as soon as possible after you receive the link in order to have the best chance of securing funding and at the latest by **5pm (UK time) on 27 April 2016**. Note that you do not need to wait for an offer of admission to be

made. GSS awards range in value from £5,000 to a maximum of £15,000.

The information provided on this form will also be used to put you forward for any other LSE scholarships and awards for which you are eligible.

Your financial information will not be considered as part of your application for a place at the School.

LSE Anniversary Scholarships

For 2016 entry, LSE will be offering 80 scholarships for taught master's students from the UK to help with fees and living costs. The awards will vary in value, based on financial need. The minimum award will be £5,000 and the maximum award will be worth £25,000.

Priority will be given to UK students applying for their first master's programme and to recent graduates who were eligible for a maintenance grant during their undergraduate studies.

Please note that LSE graduates are also eligible for a ten per cent discount on their master's tuition fee.

Other awards

From time to time, new awards become available or existing scholarships are discontinued, so applicants are encouraged to look at the website for the most up-to-date information. However, at the time of going to press, the following awards are available for LSE applicants.

- Departmental awards: awards made to applicants intending to follow particular programmes of study. The value of

the awards range from £2,000 to full scholarships covering fees and expenses.

- Regional and country based scholarship awards, made to applicants from particular countries or regions. In 2015, scholarships were available for students from Europe, North America, South America, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia.

Application for any awards for taught master's programmes will be via the LSE Graduate Financial Support Application form. You must have an offer of admission by the end of April 2016 to be put forward for these awards.

LSE PhD Studentships

LSE has 63 of its prestigious PhD Studentships to award. Each studentship is tenable for four years, subject to satisfactory academic performance, and covers full fees and an annual stipend of £18,000.

The awards are made on the basis of academic merit and research potential, and include a requirement that scholars contribute to their academic department as part of their research training, in the form of providing some teaching or other work usually from year two onwards. When you submit your application for an MRes or MPhil/PhD programme, your academic department will decide whether to nominate you for an LSE PhD Studentship.

Academic departments are able to nominate a limited number of candidates only. Departmental nominations will be considered by a panel.

Early application is strongly advised. There will be two rounds of selection for all PhD awards, and to be nominated by your academic department for these awards you should note the information they give on funding and application deadlines, as these vary, and some departments will only nominate for one round of funding. For nomination you must have submitted your complete application for admission to the School, including references, transcripts, research proposal etc, by the deadline referred to.

The funding deadlines are:

14 December 2015

(Department of Economics only)

11 January 2016

27 April 2016

Other LSE scholarships and awards

LSE offers a wide range of scholarships awarded on the basis of academic merit and financial need, country of domicile and subjects studied. We offer scholarships for UK, other EU and overseas students. The terms and value of the awards vary; please visit the website for the eligibility criteria.

Leverhulme Trust Doctoral Scholarships

For 2016 entry, LSE is offering six prestigious Leverhulme Trust Doctoral Scholarships for PhD study in any department whose research addresses "The Challenge of Escalating Inequalities". Applicants will apply in the normal way for an MRes/PhD or MPhil/PhD, ensuring that their research proposal details their interest in this area of

research. Scholars will be affiliated to LSE's International Inequalities Institute.

The scholarships cover a full fee at UK/EU level plus a stipend at Research Council rates which are published in early 2016 (£16,057 for 2015). They are three year awards, renewable each year subject to satisfactory progress.

Other LSE based financial support for UK and EU students

LSE Economic and Social Research Council Doctoral Training Centre (ESRC DTC)

Funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), the LSE Doctoral Training Centre is housed in the new PhD Academy in LSE's prestigious Library building.

The LSE DTC has funding to support a minimum of 36 studentships a year, selected within LSE and awarded under the terms set by the ESRC. Each studentship is tenable for three or four years, depending on the programme of study and subject to satisfactory academic performance. It covers full fees (UK and EU level) and an annual stipend, which for 2015 was £16,057. LSE provides a separate stipend award for any EU students selected who do not meet the ESRC eligibility criteria for a full award. This is assessed and set up automatically as part of the award process.

There are over 50 accredited programmes, which are grouped into seven themes in line with ESRC's strategy. This includes an emphasis on economics related subjects and on research programmes involving advanced



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quantitative methods. In the case of awards within these subject areas, limited eligibility can be extended to students from overseas, and EU students receive a full award from the ESRC.

DTC students are based within their departments following their research programme, but there are additional opportunities (and funding) for them within the DTC, including ESRC internship opportunities, interdisciplinary workshops, additional training, and overseas institutional visits.

LSE DTC studentships are selected by the School awards panel, from nominations made by the academic departments. The department will look at applications for MRes/PhD and MPhil/PhD programmes and also at applications for taught master's programmes where the applicant makes clear the intention to continue directly on to MPhil/PhD study. You need only make your application for a place to LSE – there are no further forms to be completed to be considered for nomination. Decisions over whether to nominate overseas students for steered awards rest with the academic department making the nomination. This process runs alongside selection for LSE PhD Studentships.

The deadline for submission of your application to be considered for Leverhulme Trust and Research Council funding will vary according to your department, but the major round of funding will require application by the January funding deadline. The early funding deadlines

I received an LSE PhD studentship, and without this funding, I would simply not have been able to embark on doctoral studies. After I complete my PhD, I intend to pursue an academic career in philosophy.

Aron Vallinder

MPhil/PhD in Philosophy
LSE PhD Studentship
Lund, Sweden



are **14 December 2015** (Department of Economics only) and **11 January 2016**.

Other Research Council awards for UK and EU students

LSE does receive some other Research Council funded studentships, often associated with a particular discipline – for example “NERC: Science of the Environment”.

In the case of any Research Council funded awards (LSE DTC or other), the fees covered by the award are up to the level stipulated by the government. If the award includes a funded Master's year in preparation for research study, then LSE charges graduate fees above the agreed level. Therefore if you are awarded a Research Council studentship, the School will provide a second award to make up the difference between the published fee and the amount awarded via the Research Council. There is no application procedure for the top up awards as the School will be aware of who has obtained a Research Council award and top up awards will be allocated accordingly. All Research Council awards are open to UK and EU students.

Other sources of financial support for UK and EU students

Professional and Career development loans

If you live or intend to train in the UK you can apply for a loan to improve your employment prospects. The maximum loan available is £10,000. Details are available from banks or online. The UK Government



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has indicated that a further loan scheme may become available for 2016 administered by Student Finance. At the time of going to press, details of eligibility have not been finalised. Please check the Student Finance Section of gov.uk for updates.

Disabled student's allowance

A disabled student's allowance, available for UK students, may help with costs you incur for the duration of your programme as a direct result of your disability. Information and a copy of the booklet Bridging the Gap: a guide to the disabled students' allowances (DSAs) in higher education 2014/15 can be accessed online. As yet 2016 detail is not published but refer to Student Finance at the contact details above.

Other sources of financial support for overseas students

External organisations, agencies and government bodies also offer scholarships for students planning to study in the UK.

A selection of these external organisations can be found below.

- British Marshall Scholarships marshallscholarship.org
- Chevening Scholarships www.chevening.org
- Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the UK cscuk.dfid.gov.uk
- Joint Japan Graduate Scholarship Programme/ World Bank Graduate Scholarship worldbank.org/wbi/scholarships
- COLFUTURO (Colombia) colfuturo.org
- CONACYT (Mexico) conacyt.mx
- CONICYT (Chile) conicyt.cl
- Fulbright (USA) fulbright.org.uk
- HESPAL (Gaza and the West Bank) britishcouncil.ps/en/study-uk/scholarships/hespal
- Jean Monnet (Turkey) jeanmonnet.org.tr
- Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships rotary.org
- Said Foundation (Jordan, Lebanon, Gaza, Syria, West Bank) saidfoundation.org
- UNESCO Fellowships unesco.org/new/en/fellowships

Useful resources

The brief list below contains details of resources for those seeking financial help from education trusts, charities or foundations. Copies of paper publications may usually be found in British reference libraries or British Council offices.

- Association of Commonwealth Universities Database. For more information, refer to acu.ac.uk/publications
- For information about international scholarships and scholarships to British universities, refer to unesco.org/education/studyingabroad/networking/studyabroad.shtml
- The Guide to Educational Grants. Lists educational charities in England and Wales giving support to students in need. For further information please refer to dsc.org.uk/Publications
- The Grants Register 2015. Lists worldwide graduate funding opportunities. Published by Palgrave Macmillan. For further information refer to www.palgrave.com/reference

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Each level of graduate study (diploma, master's, MRes/MPhil/PhD) has minimum entry requirements. These consist of your degree(s) and your proficiency in the English language. Please consult individual programme entries as well as reading the information below.

Your application will be considered on its academic merits, your potential and motivation to pursue the programme. An offer of a place may be conditional on attending additional courses and/or passing qualifying examinations at a suitable standard in addition to your degree. That there are always many more applications than places available at LSE and meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee that you will be offered admission. It is in your interests to apply as early as possible.

Applications open on 19 October 2015.

Most graduate programmes assume that you have prior knowledge to degree level in particular disciplines. Competition varies

between programmes and the level of grades/marks required will vary. Popular programmes will often look for a first class honours degree or its equivalent.

The minimum entrance requirements for each type of programme are normally as follows:

Diploma

A degree or equivalent qualification and experience.

Master's degree

A first or upper second-class honours (2:1) degree from a UK university or a non-UK equivalent in a subject appropriate to the programme to be followed.

MRes/PhD

A first or upper second-class honours degree, or equivalent, in a closely related discipline. Applicants who have already completed an MA or MSc in a relevant discipline may be exempted from the first year of taught courses. If this is agreed in your case, we will inform you in your offer letter. Upgrade to the PhD depends on successful completion of the MRes.

MPhil/PhD

Normally a UK taught master's degree with merit or a non-UK equivalent in a subject appropriate to the research to be undertaken. The most appropriate supervisor(s) for your work will be allocated with particular reference to your research proposal.

Any offer of a place would depend on:

- the quality and feasibility of your research proposal
- your academic qualifications, and relevant professional or other experience, if appropriate
- the ability of the department to provide adequate and appropriate supervision
- an interview with the department, unless there are exceptional circumstances which prevent this

Research council funded programmes

A number of LSE's graduate master's programmes comply with the requirements for financial support from the research councils. These programmes consist of a linked MSc and MRes or MPhil/PhD degree (either 1+3 or 2+2). For information on research council studentships, please see page 38.





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If you wish to be considered for nomination for a research council studentship, you must include an outline research proposal with your application. This proposal should be a brief description of the research topic you are considering pursuing during your PhD and should explain why you are interested in this area of research. As your research interests will develop further over the year of your master's training your proposal need only be indicative. You must meet the same entry requirement as for all MSc programmes. Please be aware of the funding deadline (**11 January 2016**) in order to be considered for research council funding and don't leave it to the last minute to apply.

Visiting research students

Visiting research students attend for one or more terms and study up to four graduate or undergraduate courses. Examinations are optional, but students wanting to sit the examination in a course must have attended the course for the full year.

Equivalence of non-UK qualifications

Simply having a first degree from your country may not be sufficient for admission to LSE.

Below is a summary of LSE's minimum entry requirements for taught master's programmes for countries where we receive many applications each year. More detailed information is available online.

Argentina: Licenciado or Professional Title with average marks of 8 from a prestigious institution, otherwise 9

Armenia: Bakalavri Astichen with 80 per cent or CGPA 3.5 on a 4 scale

Australia: Upper second class honours bachelor's degree

Austria: Diplomstudium, bachelor's degree or Magister with 2.2 or better

Azerbaijan: Post-2005 Bakalaur Diplomu with grades of 9 or above

Bangladesh: Master's degree with 75 per cent and first class honours

Belarus: Specialist Diploma or master's degree with overall marks of 4

Belgium: Bachelor's degree/Licence/Licenciaat with 70 per cent or avec distinction

Brazil: Bacharel, Licenciado or Professional Title from a prestigious institution with 8 or "muito bom"

Bulgaria: Bachelor's degree with grades of 5 or above

Cameroon: Diplôme d'Ingénieur or Maîtrise with overall mark of 16/20 or très bien

Canada: Bachelor's degree with Honours (except from French-speaking institutions where we require a bachelor's degree). Our minimum requirement is 77 per cent or B+

Chile: Licenciado with a minimum overall mark of 5.0 or 70 per cent overall

China: Bachelor's degree from a prestigious university with an overall mark of 85 per cent

Colombia: Licenciado or Professional Title with overall mark of 4.0

Cyprus: Bachelor's degree with 7.5/10

Ecuador: Licenciado or Professional Title or Maestria with 80 per cent or 8.0

Egypt: Bachelor's degree with 85 per cent in science disciplines or 90 per cent in others. From the AUC we require a minimum GPA of 3.5

France: Licence with 13/20 or 12/20 from Grandes Écoles

Germany: The Zwischenprüfung/Vordiplom with a third year of substantive study or the bachelor's degree (when started after 2002) from a recognised Universität or Fachhochschule. We require grades of 2.2/gut

Ghana: Bachelor's honours degree from public institution with grades of 65 per cent, B+

Greece: Ptychion awarded by an AEI, with at least 7/10

Hong Kong: Upper second class honours bachelor's degree

India: Bachelor's degree with high first class honours from a top-ranked institution. Overall grade of 65 per cent or a GPA of above 5.5/7, 6.5/8, 7.5/9, or 8.5/10

Indonesia: Sarjana (SI), with an overall grade of A- or GPA 3.70

Ireland: Upper second class honours bachelor's degree

Israel: Bachelor's degree with overall marks of 85 per cent

Italy: Laurea with 106/110

Japan: Bachelor's (gakushi) degree with a GPA of 3.3, B+, 76 per cent or above from a prestigious institution

Kazakhstan: Post-2007, the five-year Specialist Diploma with an overall grade of 4

Kenya: Upper second class honours bachelor's degree with 65 per cent or above

Malaysia: Bachelor's degree from a public university with grades of 2:1, B+ or 3.5 GPA

Mauritius: Bachelor's degree from a recognised higher education institute with a 2:1

Mexico: Licenciado or Professional Title with 9.0 out of 10/Muy Bien

Netherlands: Bachelor's degree with grades of 7.5, good or goed or CGPA 3.5 on a 4.0 scale

Nigeria: Bachelor's degree from a prestigious institution with first class or CGPA 5.0

Norway: Bachelor's degree with B/Very Good

Pakistan: Four-year bachelor's degree with overall marks of 75 per cent, CGPA 3.5 on a 4.0 scale





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gmac.com

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Peru: Licenciado or professional title with grades of 15 out of 20

Poland: Post-2006 bachelor's degree with overall grade of A/5/Very Good

Qatar: Bachelor's degree with grades of Excellent/CGPA 3.6 on a 4.0 scale or 4.40 on a 5.0 scale

Romania: Post-2005 Diploma de Licenta with grades of 9/10

Russian Federation: Four year bachelor's degree (Bakalavr) or five year Specialist Diploma with overall grade of 4/Good

Singapore: Bachelor's degree with 2:1 from a public university

South Africa: Bachelor's degree with upper second class honours and 70 per cent

South Korea: Bachelor's degree (Haksa) from a prestigious institution. We require 85 per cent or B+

Spain: Second cycle Licenciado or post-Bologna Grado, with an overall grade of 7.5/10 or 2.5/4

Sri Lanka: Four-year Bachelor's Special Degree/Professional degree with A, first class or 70 per cent

Sweden: Kandidatexamen/bachelor's with 150 out of 180 credits at VG (väl godkänd) or an average of B

Switzerland: Bachelor's degree, Diplom or Lizentiat or Staatsdiplom/Diplôme d'Etat with grades of 5/6, 2.2/5, 8/10 or gut, bien, bene, good

Taiwan: Four year bachelor's degree with overall marks of 80 per cent or a GPA of 3.7 from a "National" or "Municipal" university

Thailand: Bachelor's degree from a prestigious institution with grades of B+, CGPA 3.5/4 or 75 per cent

Turkey: Lisans Diplomasi with 70 per cent or a CGPA of 3.4

United Arab Emirates: Four year bachelor's degree with 85 per cent or a CGPA of 3.5

USA: Bachelor's degree with a CGPA of 3.5 or 85 per cent.

Vietnam: Master's degree/Thac Si with an overall mark of 7.0

English language requirements

You can meet our language requirements in the following ways:

- Your first language is English, or
- Your current or previous degree is taught/assessed entirely in English (we will need official confirmation of this if it is not stated on your transcript), or

- You have passed a recognised Standardised English Language Test (SELT) at an appropriate level.

English tests must be less than two years old on 1 October 2016.

Include your test scores, if available, in the relevant section of the application form.

If you have not yet taken the test, your application can be considered without it, but any offer will be conditional the required score. We recommend that you take the IELTS

Any offer of admission will be subject to proof of your score.

Each programme in the prospectus lists the level of English test required for admission – see below for details:

Standard

- IELTS (International English Language Testing System) – a minimum score of 7.0 overall, with at least 6.0 in speaking and writing and 6.5 in reading and listening

Law programmes

- IELTS – a minimum score of 7.5 overall and at least 7.0 in both listening and writing elements, 6.5 in reading and 6.0 in speaking

Research programmes

- IELTS – a minimum score of 7.0 overall with at least 7.0 in the writing element and at least 6.5 in all other sections

Other test scores may be acceptable if you have already obtained them. For example, the TOEFL (Test of English as a

Foreign Language) or PTEA (Pearson Test of English (Academic)). You should supply evidence of your English test with your application and if you are made an offer we will indicate whether we will accept your score.

These are minimum requirements. You may be required to achieve a higher score at the discretion of the selectors. You may need additional language instruction before you register to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially.

GRE and GMAT

Several programmes require GRE (Graduate Record Examination) or GMAT (Graduate Management Admissions Test) scores. The "key facts" box at the start of each programme entry indicates if a score is required. You should complete all sections of the test and submit your scores on the application form. Your score should be less than five years old on 1 October 2016. You should arrange for an official certificate of your score to be sent to LSE from the Educational Testing Service (ETS) as well as entering your scores in the relevant section of the application form. The LSE institution code for the GRE is 0972; no department code is required as the scores are processed centrally. The LSE institution code for the GMAT is HMT 86-56.

APPLYING TO LSE

We understand that the application process can be an anxious time, but if you follow the instructions on our website and the online application the process should run smoothly. You will be able to track the progress of your application online.

You must apply early, as competition for programmes at LSE is intense. Applications open on **19 October 2015**. In addition to the School's minimum entry requirements some programmes require the submission of additional test scores or written materials. See individual programme entries for details.

How to apply

Please consult our website for up-to-date and comprehensive information on all aspects of the application process. We divide the information chronologically – follow the process through from Prospective applicants, Applicants in progress, and Applicants under consideration through to Offer holders. To be considered for admission, all applicants must supply the documents A to F below, and G to K where applicable. Programmes administered jointly by LSE and other institutions may have specific requirements; please consult individual programme entries. All documents are treated as confidential and are non-returnable.

The most frequent delays to applications are caused by applicants not uploading the correct documents. The tips highlighted below will help you to get it right first time. LSE's Students' Union also offers some excellent advice from a student's perspective on their website.

Please note: Unlike other universities, LSE does not work with recruitment agencies. You should apply directly to LSE yourself.

A. Application form

You must apply online. You will set up a user account using your email address, and you should use this account for all enquiries and applications (including if you are also applying for Summer School or Language Centre courses). If you are unable to use the online system, a PDF of the form is available on request.

- Type your email address carefully when setting up your account
- Choose a memorable password (or write it down)
- Don't attempt to submit more than one application for graduate programmes online. Instead use the "How do I add or amend my programme choices?" form

Read and follow the application guide as you go through the application – it is there to help you.

B. Application assessment fee

The application assessment fee is £50. You must pay online (credit or debit card) in order to submit your application and supporting documents.

C. Two academic references

You should arrange to supply two academic references (from tutors who have taught

you at university) as part of the online process. This is a secure and confidential service for referees and helps speed up the decision-making process. You should use your referee's academic (university) email address when requesting a reference. Your referee will then receive a reference request email from us.

If you or your referees prefer, you/they may send references by post. A template for references is available online. We will upload them to your application on your behalf. Posted references must be signed documents on headed university/institution paper, and should be typed in English. We discourage the submission of handwritten and photocopied references. We will accept a translation, but only if it has an official stamp from your university or a translation service and if the original document is also supplied. We will not accept an unofficial translation. The LSE Language Centre offers a translation service.

Current students and applicants who graduated after January 2013

must supply two academic references. References should be from a teaching member of your current (or, if you have graduated, from your most recent) university department.

Applicants who graduated before January 2013

may supply one professional reference in place of one of your academic references. This should



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lse.ac.uk/gradRef

lse.ac.uk/experts

lesu.tumblr.com

normally be a reference from your current/most recent employer.

Applicants who graduated before January 2011 may supply two professional references if they are unable to provide academic references. However, it is in your interests to supply academic references wherever possible. Some departments and executive programmes have specific requirements.

- Contact your referees beforehand to make sure that they are willing to write a reference for you
- Nominate just two referees
- Take care when typing your referees' email addresses. If you make a mistake they will not receive our email

D. Transcripts/mark sheets and proof of existing qualifications

The online application will prompt you to upload a scanned transcript for each qualification you mention in the education tab. If your documents are not in English, we must receive a translation carried out by an accredited translator (eg, the British Council). Please ensure that scanned documents are clear and legible. Failure to do so will result in delays to the processing of your application. You should also include the reverse of your transcript if the mark

scheme is explained there. You may choose to supply these documents by post, in which case we will upload them to your application on your behalf. Please remember that your application cannot be submitted until we have received and processed them so this is slower than submitting online.

If your application is successful, we will request original or certified signed documents prior to registration.

Qualifications pending: The transcript or mark sheet must include a list of subjects studied and the grades obtained to date. If you are at a university that does not supply transcripts or mark sheets, please ask your academic referees to comment in detail on your progress, including your marks obtained in all years of study. You may apply if you are awaiting any examination results. **You must have fully graduated by the time you register at LSE.** Please list the title and credit value of each in-progress course that you are currently studying on the application.

Qualifications held: The transcript should include the information above, plus your final overall grade and the date on which your qualification was awarded. You should supply this information for all university level study. If your transcript does not include your final mark and date of award, we will request either a certified copy of your degree certificate or a completed proof of degree form if we make you an offer. Do not send your original degree certificate, as documents cannot be returned.

- PDF is the best format for scanned attachments
- Make sure that you scan documents at a sensible resolution. 300dpi is fine. Much lower and printed versions may be blurred, much higher and the file size will be too large.
- Scan documents so that each page is the same way up
- If your file size is very large (>2MB), use a service such as smallpdf.com
- Check that your scanned document is legible before you upload it

E. Personal statement

You must upload a personal statement of between 1,000 and 1,500 words. It should describe your academic interests and your purpose and objectives in undertaking graduate study. If you are applying for two programmes please ensure that your personal statement addresses why you are applying for each programme.

Individual programmes may have specific requirements regarding the personal statement; please check before you apply.

- Make sure that each page has your name in the header or footer
- Make sure that you proof read your statement before you upload it, and make sure that you upload the final corrected version
- If your programme choices are in different subjects, submit two clearly headed personal statements as a single document

F. CV

Upload your CV/resume, including your employment history or other professional experience, including internships.

G. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) general test and Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT)

If GRE or GMAT scores are required by your chosen programme(s) you must supply them at the time you apply. There is a widget from this part of the application which will help you determine if you need to submit a score. Please include your test scores in the relevant section of the application, stating the percentile and marks obtained for **all sections** of the test. The test scores should be less than five years old on 1 October 2016. The GRE/GMAT is often a vital deciding factor so you will not be able to submit your application without it if your programme requires it. You should also arrange to send official scores to us. The institution code is 0972 for the GRE and HMT 86-56 for the GMAT.

H. Research proposal MPhil/PhD

Your research proposal should address the following questions:

1. What is your general topic?
2. What questions do you want to answer?
3. What is the key literature and its limitations?
4. What are the main hypotheses of the work?
5. What methodology do you intend to use?

6. What are your case studies, if any, and what are your case selection criteria?

MPhil/PhD applications that are received without a research proposal that addresses these questions will not be considered. Your proposal should be approximately 1,500 words in length (outline proposals for MRes programmes can be shorter). You should ensure before applying that your area of research can be supervised in your chosen department by referring to staff research interests on the website.

You should also indicate if you have discussed your proposed research with any member of the LSE academic staff and the name of that person. Please make sure that each page of your research proposal bears your name in a header or footer.

Individual programmes may have specific requirements regarding the research proposal; please check before you apply.

- Make sure that each page has your name in the header or footer
- Make sure that you proof read your proposal before you upload it, and make sure that you upload the final corrected version
- Stick to our recommended word limit

MSc (Research) and MRes/PhD Programmes

You must include an outline research proposal with your application.

I. Sample of written work MRes/MPhil programmes

You should provide a scanned copy of a marked assignment that fulfils the following criteria. These are ideal requirements. If you are unable to fulfil them exactly, please submit a writing sample that fits as closely to them as possible.

1. Maximum 3,000 words – you may send an extract of a longer work, but you should not send large publications in their entirety.
2. Typed in English. If not originally written in English, you should translate the essay yourself.
3. From your most recent programme of study. Ideally related to your proposed topic of research or more broadly to the discipline/area for which you are applying.
4. If possible, the copy should show comments from the marker/s and/or the mark given for the assignment.

- PDF is the best format for scanned attachments
- Make sure that you scan documents at a sensible resolution. 300dpi is fine. Much lower and printed versions may be blurred, much higher and the file size will be too large.
- Scan documents so that each page is the same way up
- If your file size is very large (>2MB), use a service such as **smallpdf.com**

- Check that your scanned document is legible before you upload it
- Make sure that each page has your name in the header or footer
- Stick to our recommended word limit

J. English test scores

If you have already taken an English test at the time you apply, you should include your most recent test scores and score report form number in the relevant section of the application form.

English tests must be less than two years old on 1 October 2016.

K. Miscellaneous supporting document

If you are applying for a programme in a different field from that of your major degree subject, you may supply an additional document supporting your application; for example if you hold a degree in engineering and are applying for MSc Human Rights on the basis of your current employment, a supplementary professional reference would be helpful.

- Make sure that the documents you send are relevant to your application
- Do not send lots of additional certificates as we will not consider them. Relevant personal achievements should be mentioned in your personal statement instead

- Do not send non-documentary materials such as DVDs, CDs or large publications, as we do not have the facilities to include these with your application file and they will be discarded

Submitting your application form

You should submit your application and supporting documents online. If you are unable to upload your documents you may send them by post to:

Graduate Admissions Office
The London School of Economics
and Political Science
PO Box 13420
Houghton Street
London WC2A 2AE

If you are sending your documents by courier service, omit PO Box 13420 from the above address. All post is received by our central post room. Please do not send supporting documents directly to the academic department as this will delay your application.

Wherever possible, please send all supporting documents in a single package. If this is not possible (for example where your referee is sending a reference to us directly) please ensure that all documents bear your full name as it appears on the application form and your date of birth or programme choice(s).

Please note that we will acknowledge documents when they are processed rather than when they are received. Please check



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the current processing date online before contacting us regarding your documents.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your application is complete, including all references, the transcript and the fee, and where applicable GRE/ GMAT scores and research proposal. You should also be aware that all documents are **non-returnable**.

Programme selectors will not consider incomplete applications. We will not download and process your application until all necessary documents have been submitted.

Once your application is under consideration you should not send any further documents unless we ask for them. Any documents we receive will be matched to your file after it returns from the selectors.

Additional programme choices

You may apply for up to two programmes, which will be considered sequentially in the order of preference on the application form. It is not possible to hold more than one offer of a place at LSE. If you are made an offer for your first choice, your second choice will not be considered unless you specifically request it.

If you are unsuccessful for both choices, then you may apply for additional choices using our online "How do I?" form. You will be required to pay an additional



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ONLINE TRACKER

lse.ac.uk/graduateTrackYourApplication

REINSTATE FORM

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LSE ONLINE STORE

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application assessment fee. You must not submit a new application using the online application form.

Joint programmes

LSE has developed a number of programmes that are administered jointly with other institutions such as Peking University in China and the University of Southern California in the USA.

Any additional requirements for these programmes will be listed under their individual entries in the prospectus. Selectors from both institutions consider applications, and this means that it may take much longer for a decision to be made on these programmes than on the single centre programmes. We will advise you of the decision as soon as possible.

Fraud prevention

We take active steps to scrutinise and verify documents received during the

application process. If we are unable to verify independently the accuracy of information supplied, your application may be cancelled and any offer withdrawn.

When to apply/deadlines

You must apply early. Applications open on 19 October 2015. Departments will consider these applications from 2 November 2015 and the first decisions will be released from January 2016

onwards. There is intense competition for admission; early applications have a greater chance of being successful and of meeting financial support/scholarship and visa deadlines.

Only a few programmes have deadlines by which you should apply – applications are mostly considered on a rolling basis and programmes close once all places are filled. Many scholarships, however, especially for research programmes, have early deadlines. See individual programme entries and the fees and financial support section for details of particular deadlines.

If you applied for the 2015/16 session, we will be able to re-use your application documents as long as you contact the Graduate Admissions Office using the reinstate form online before 13 November 2015 and submit a new application assessment fee of £50 using the LSE

eShop. All old application documents will be destroyed immediately after this date.

Our main taught master's (LLM/MSc/MPA) programmes start in the Michaelmas term (September 2016). Some programmes, particularly those in the Departments of Economics, Accounting, Finance and Management, require attendance at Summer School or introductory courses in July-September before the main programme begins.

Executive master's programmes start at different times of the year depending on their mode of teaching. Please see individual programme pages for details.

Research (MPhil/PhD) programmes usually start in September, but may additionally start in the Lent (January) and Summer (April) terms at the discretion of your department. Please visit lse.ac.uk/graduateStartOptions for full details.



Tracking your application and contacting us

Once your application is complete, we allocate a unique application number to you and you can check the progress of your application online:

- Make a note of your application number and use it when checking your status and in all correspondence with the Graduate Admissions Office, including by telephone.

- The status of your application displayed on the online tracker is linked directly to our computer system.

What you see here is the same information we hold centrally.

- You should use the tracker to inform us immediately of any changes to your permanent or contact address.
- Other changes to your application, including new information, should be sent using our “How do I?” forms

- The tracker also provides you with links for you to apply for financial support, accommodation and, later in the cycle, to choose courses and pay your tuition fees online.
- The website and online enquiries system are the quickest and most comprehensive ways of answering any questions you may have.
- To email us with a question, you should use the admissions enquiries system. We always try to respond within one working week. Please do not repeat any enquiry until after this time has elapsed as this diverts staff from other work and delays the admissions process.
- We process all documents and emails in the order they are received. Please check our current processing times online before contacting us to enquire whether your documents have been received. As soon

as your documents are processed they will appear on your record on the website.

- If you are unable to access the information you need online, you may telephone +44 (0)20 7955 7160 to speak to a member of the Graduate Admissions Team during our opening hours or to access automated summary information about your application status at any time. Our telephone service operating hours vary at different times of year.
- All of your personal data is kept confidential, and we are therefore not able to discuss your application with any other person unless specifically nominated by you on your application form.
- The Graduate Admissions Office is closed for ten days over Christmas and New Year and for a week over the Easter period. This results in a backlog of correspondence and increased

processing times during January and April especially. We publish our closure dates on the website, as well as any other factors affecting our processing times.

The selection process

Once you submit your complete application and we have checked your supporting documents, your file is passed to the selectors for your first choice. Your application will only be considered for your second choice if your first choice application is unsuccessful or if the first choice programme has already closed.

Master's and diploma applications

We operate a rolling application system throughout the year. The first offers will be released from January 2016 onwards. We aim to release decisions within eight weeks of our acknowledgement of your complete application, but at busy times the decision time increases. Our busiest times are following the Christmas and Easter vacations, and in the days/weeks following PhD funding deadlines.

We publish our current processing times online, and you can also check your application status using our online tracker. You should always check these before contacting us to ask for information.

Research programmes

Panels of selectors make decisions at meetings throughout the year. You should apply at least six months before the start of the term in which you wish to begin your study and take note of funding deadlines. You should not wait until the last moment to apply; applications submitted on the day





KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/graduate

lse.ac.uk/admissionsEnquiries

lse.ac.uk/yourFirstWeeks

STUDENT VISA INFORMATION

lse.ac.uk/isis

SUPPLYING REFERENCES

lse.ac.uk/gradref

PROCESSING TIMES

lse.ac.uk/graduateNews

of the deadline are always caught up in a large backlog. Plan ahead and get your application in as early as you can.

It may take time to allocate a suitable supervisor. Shortlisted applicants are normally interviewed via telephone or Skype. The department will contact you if an interview is necessary.

The decision

A decision is authoritative and official only if it has been sent in writing from the Graduate Admissions Office. Decisions on admissions are made on the basis of academic merit, potential and motivation and limited by the availability of places on specific programmes.

The decision sent to you will be one of these:

- An unconditional offer. You satisfy all of the academic conditions required before entry and we are offering you a place. You may still need to supply originals or certified copies of some documents.
- A conditional offer. You do not yet satisfy the academic conditions required before entry but you plan to do so. The conditions are given in the offer letter and may include tests such as English language as well as degree results, or attendance at introductory or Summer School courses.
- You are on a waiting list. In this case we need more time before making a full decision. We will make that decision by the end of April 2016. At that stage we may be able to offer you admission, a place on the reserve list, or, depending on the level of competition, we may be unable to offer you a place.

- We are unable to offer you a place. This decision is final and not open to appeal. It may be that the programme is already full – in this case, you may request that your application is considered for an alternative choice(s) or that your application is reinstated for the following year.
- You are on a reserve list. Your application is considered to be of a high enough standard, but no places remain on your chosen programme. If a place becomes available, you may be sent an offer later in the year. Final offers to reserve listed applicants will be sent out by the end of August 2016.

Applying for financial support

Taught programmes: Once you have submitted your application, we give you access to the Graduate Financial Support Application (GFSA) on LSE for You. We consider the information you submit both for the needs based Graduate Support Scheme and, later in the admissions cycle, named scholarships

and awards. In order to receive funds from the Graduate Support Scheme, you must have received an offer of a place and completed the GFSA by 5pm on 27 April 2016. You must therefore ensure that your complete application is submitted in good time for the department to consider you in advance of this date. You are advised to apply and to complete the GFSA as soon as possible.

Research programmes: Complete applications received in time for the funding panels will be considered for LSE and, where applicable, Research Council studentships. See individual programme entries for deadline information.

There is considerable additional financial support available.

Further action

If your offer is conditional you need to provide proof that you satisfy the stated conditions as soon as you can. The latest date for this is when you register at the start of your study. Registration will be withheld if you cannot satisfy us, by reference to original documentation, that you have obtained the qualifications required. We publish full information about fulfilling conditions, fees, accommodation and registration online and in the booklet accompanying your offer letter.

If you wish to receive a reading list etc, for your programme, you should contact your department after receiving your offer.

Deferring your offer

If you are unable to take up a 2016/17 offer of a place, it may be possible to defer

your offer to 2017/18. To do this you must complete the online deferral request form on the website by 31 October 2016. If the request is granted you must submit a deposit of £1,000 by 31 January 2017. Failure to pay the deposit will result in your offer being withdrawn. If your deferral request is denied, or if you are unable to pay the deposit, you should reinstate your application to be considered for the new cycle. It may take up to four weeks to make a decision regarding your deferral request.

Reinstating your application

If you are unable to take up your offer of a place and the department is not willing to defer your offer, or if your application is not successful, you may wish to reinstate your application from 2016/17 to 2017/18. This allows us to retain your application and supporting documents. You must complete the online reinstate request form by 12 November 2016. You will have to submit a reinstatement fee via the LSE Online Store. After 12 November 2016 all unsuccessful 2016/17 application files will be destroyed.

Applying for a student visa

If you are an international student from outside the EEA, you need to apply for permission to come to the UK as a student once you have accepted an unconditional offer. It is advisable to apply for a visa as early as you can (a maximum of three months before the start of your programme). We provide more detailed and specific information to offer holders as it becomes available.

OTHER LSE PROGRAMMES OF STUDY

Summer schools

LSE runs a range of summer schools in the UK and overseas.

LSE Summer School

The LSE Summer School, based on the LSE campus in London, is one of the largest in Europe, welcoming over 4,500 students from all over the world onto over 70 intensively taught top-level three week courses in accounting, finance, law, economics, management and international relations.

Based on regular undergraduate courses taught at LSE and instructed by leading international faculty, the programme provides a unique learning experience and is the perfect enhancement to a degree or professional development.

LSE Executive Summer School

The Executive Summer School offers a distinctive programme of executive education, designed for

professionals who are looking for rigorous, challenging and in-depth courses across a range of disciplines.

LSE-PKU Summer School

LSE also runs a two-week Summer School with Peking University in August, based at the PKU campus in Beijing. Courses are delivered in English by faculty from both institutions, in subjects including economics, management, international relations, media and law, all with a focus on China and Asia.

LSE-UCT July School

LSE-UCT July School is a two-week summer school programme at the University of Cape Town campus. Courses in disciplines across the social sciences are taught by faculty from the two institutions and have a focus on, and relevance to, Africa today.

Methods Summer Programme

This programme is designed to provide a range of quantitative and qualitative methods to students, academics and professionals to enhance their research capabilities.

Courses are offered in key areas of social science research methods, as well as courses in mathematics, statistics, econometrics and macroeconomics.

Summer Languages

Our Summer Languages Programme offers a range of courses in the languages the LSE Language Centre specialises in:

- “Absolute Beginner” courses will give someone who has no knowledge of a language an introduction and some survival level skills.
- “Restarters”, “Beginners II” and “Intermediate” courses will restore or improve your confidence.
- “Intensive” options will give you a thorough start or revision.

Courses run at various times throughout July and August each year.

LSE Custom Programmes

LSE Custom Programmes offer a range of training and educational programmes for executives and managers in both private and public sectors based upon the latest thinking and research from LSE.

Options include:

- tailor-made training programmes



KEY CONTACTS

lse.ac.uk/summerSchool

lse.ac.uk/executiveSummerSchool

lse.ac.uk/LSEPKUProgramme

lse.ac.uk/LSE-UCTJulySchool

lse.ac.uk/methods

lse.ac.uk/languageSummerSchool

lse.ac.uk/customProgrammes

lse.ac.uk/study/UOLIP

- open enrolment courses
- fully customised learning solutions

University of London International Programmes

The University of London International Programmes allow students from anywhere in the world to complete qualifications through independent study.

The programmes of study are subject to the same rigorous academic standards that shape LSE's internal qualifications. LSE academics write syllabuses, create learning materials, and set and mark examinations to the same standards applied internally.

There are two programmes for students with a first degree: a BSc Graduate Entry Route and a Diploma for Graduates.



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Research centres and groups

LSE is home to a large number of interdisciplinary research centres concentrating expertise on a wide range of subjects. Each has its own programme of events which can be found at lse.ac.uk/researchCentres

Asia Research Centre

Centre for Analysis of Social Exclusion (CASE)

Centre for the Analysis of Time Series (CATS)

Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy (CCCEP)

Centre for Economic Performance (CEP)

Centre for Macroeconomics

Centre for Philosophy of Natural and Social Science (CPNSS)

Centre for the Study of Human Rights

Centre for Women, Peace and Security

Financial Markets Group (FMG)

The Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment (GRI)

IDEAS: International Affairs, Diplomacy and Strategy

International Growth Centre (IGC)

LSE Cities

LSE Health and Social Care

Local Economic Growth

Middle East Centre

South Asia

South East Asia

Spatial Economics Research Centre (SERC)

Suntory and Toyota International Centres for Economics and Related Disciplines (STICERD)

Systemic Risk Centre (SRC)

ACCOUNTING

lse.ac.uk/accounting

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 268

Research: 11

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 27

REF: 86 per cent of the Department's research was rated as world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Old Building

The Department of Accounting is widely recognised for its excellence in accounting and financial management research and teaching. In the 2001 review of university research by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE), the Department was awarded 5* – the highest possible rating and one of only two departments in its category to receive this award. The Department was similarly successful in the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), as well as in HEFCE's 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF), on both occasions as part of the "Business and Management Studies" Unit of Assessment, where the combined entry came top in the UK in the most recent REF 2014.

The Department of Accounting provides an outstanding research environment based on a mix of departmental activities, close links with other departments, as

well as strong connections with research centres, such as the Centre for the Analysis of Risk and Regulation (CARR). Each year, over 265 graduate students from over 40 countries and representing a wide range of backgrounds are admitted into our taught graduate programmes. Our research seminars and workshops, visitors and visiting research students, together with our links with professional and practitioner communities ensure that our faculty continue to work at the cutting-edge of their fields and that their output is widely disseminated.

Our faculty contribute to knowledge and debate in the academic, professional and public domains. We have close links with the major accounting journals through either editor or referee roles. Faculty also have close associations with several research and professional institutions, including the European Accounting Association (EAA) and the American Accounting Association (AAA).

Faculty also have strong links with a range of professional and regulatory bodies, such as the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA); the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW); the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA); and the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), just to name some.

MPhil/PhD Accounting Visiting Research Students

Application code: N4ZB, N4EA (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016 (Track 2 students are required to take parts of pre-session course – Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics which begins in late August 2016)

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3 to 4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in relevant area

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE Studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Accounting is part of the Global Economic Performance Policy and Management group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). Some other awards (eg, from the Worshipful Company of Chartered Accountants) may be available for MPhil/PhD Accounting students. Departmental doctoral scholarships may also be available

Application deadline: 1 July 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place earlier. The funding deadlines for the relevant nomination rounds are 11 January and

27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The PhD in Accounting has received research training recognition from the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC). The programme aims to produce students whose research is of the highest standard and is designed to provide a comprehensive training in the chosen approach to research in accounting for which there are two tracks of study on the PhD programme. Track 1 is devoted to the study of interrelationships between accounting, organisations and institutions. Track 2 primarily examines accounting and financial reporting issues from an economics perspective. When making an application, students in Accounting will choose to follow either Track 1 or Track 2. To be considered for admission, you should have a substantial academic background in accounting or cognate area (for example sociology and economic history in Track 1 or economics and quantitative methods in Track 2).

In the first year, research students on both tracks normally attend a main research seminar in accounting, in addition to taught graduate courses in areas related to their field of research. The aim is to both broaden and deepen students' understanding of their area. Some further coursework may be taken in the second year. By the end of year two students on both tracks should have

completed at least two and a half examined graduate-level course units.

To progress at the end of each year, students in both tracks must pass their examined courses at grades specified by the Department and make satisfactory progress in their research. Progress is regularly monitored by the Department's MPhil/PhD Assessment Review Committee.

Students are required to make a seminar presentation each year, and to attend the Department's Accounting Research Forums and specialised workshops which provide exposure to the work of leading academics worldwide. Students are also encouraged to attend any relevant seminars in related areas elsewhere in the School as appropriate.

The Department of Accounting covers a wide range of areas and approaches to research in accounting. Prospective students should get a sense of this diversity from perusing the faculty profiles available on the Department's website and see who is closest to their own research interests and which types of research we cover across the two tracks of the PhD programme.

Taught programmes

Diploma in Accounting and Finance (see page 53)

MSc Accounting and Finance (see page 54)

MSc Accounting, Organisations and Institutions (see page 56)

MSc Law and Accounting (with the Department of Law (see page 133))

MSc Risk and Finance (with the Department of Finance (see page 89))

Diploma in Accounting and Finance

lse.ac.uk/grad/dipAF

Application code: N4ED

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 9 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 42/110

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £22,128

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Reforming auditing and risk management to improve governance

Professor Michael Power's research has influenced organisations ranging from financial institutions to the United Nations.

To be eligible to apply for the Diploma programme, you should have obtained at least an upper second class honours degree from a UK university, or have reached a similar standard with an overseas degree.

The Diploma in Accounting and Finance is a qualification in its own right. It acts as a conversion course for students with little or no background in accounting or finance, such as students with undergraduate degrees in arts, economics, law, business, science, or engineering. It also provides students with some background in accounting and finance the opportunity to extend their knowledge and understanding in areas of special interest within a flexible programme.

Programme details

The programme is deliberately kept small to facilitate the learning experience. The average number of contact hours per week is 12 hours, which includes lectures and seminars. Office hours with teachers and academic advisers are available in addition to this.

For students studying on the Diploma programme there is a clear route towards MSc level study within the Department, subject to satisfactory performance. Those Diploma students who wish to apply for the MSc Accounting and Finance in the following year will not ordinarily be required to submit a GMAT test with their application.

Given the high competition for places on this programme, applicants who indicate an interest in the Diploma in Accounting and Finance specifically as their first choice

will maximise their prospect of admission to the programme. Equally, candidates should note the differentiated nature of the graduate programmes in the Department of Accounting, and are advised to identify their first choice accordingly.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Principles of Finance, which examines the theory of financial decision-making by firms and examines the behaviour of the capital markets in which these decisions are taken or **Corporate Finance, Investments and Financial Markets**†, which covers topics in corporate finance, investments and performance evaluation and international finance or **Quantitative Finance**†, which looks at financial risk analysis and financial risk management.

Either **Managerial Accounting**, which analyses the roles and applications of management accounting practices and concepts in contemporary organisations and enterprises or **Financial Accounting, Analysis and Valuation**, which addresses the theory and practice of financial reporting or both **Management Accounting, Decisions and Control***, which provides an introduction to issues of accounting information and cost management, managerial decision-making and performance management, and **Financial Accounting, Reporting and Disclosure***, which delivers an introduction to financial accounting, and highlights aspects of reporting that are important to users of financial information.

† By special permission

Students will be expected to choose any courses available from departments around the School to a total of two full units, subject to the approval of the Programme Director and, where applicable, permission from the course leader.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates pursue careers across a wide range of sectors, in accounting, corporate finance, equity research, fund management and management consultancy. Companies who have employed recent graduates from the Diploma in Accounting and Finance programme include Barclays Capital, Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein, HSBC, Mazars, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, PayPal, Simon-Kucher & Partners and Société Générale. Many leading organisations make careers presentations at the School during the year.

MSc Accounting and Finance

lse.ac.uk/grad/af

Application code: N4U1

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 9 months full-time, 21 months part-time (9 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 179/1,185

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in accounting and finance or related subject (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: GMAT is required for all students without a UK undergraduate degree. The GMAT is recommended for all students with UK undergraduate degrees, particularly those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; Overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, but prospective candidates are recommended to apply early

The programme is based in the Department of Accounting and has an established reputation for excellence extending over five decades. This programme is appropriate for those interested in careers across a wide range of sectors and organisations in accounting, finance, management and management consultancy, academia, or the public sector.

Students admitted to this MSc cannot retrospectively transfer to the MSc Accounting, Organisations and Institutions programme because of the differing admission requirements.

Programme details

The programme allows specialisation through the appropriate choice of courses along designated pathways in finance, international accounting and finance, or accounting and financial management.

The MSc assumes an academic background in the following subjects prior to entry: financial reporting, management accounting, finance, economics and quantitative methods. Admission to the programme may be conditional upon taking one or more courses in these areas to strengthen your background. This may be a course undertaken at the LSE Summer School or an approved distance learning or web-based equivalent. Given the high competition for places on this programme, applicants who indicate an interest in the MSc Accounting and Finance specifically as their first choice

will maximise their prospect of admission to the programme.

A short, focused, introductory course on quantitative methods and technical accounting will be held at the beginning of the programme. Thereafter you take examined courses up to a total of four full units. The average number of contact hours per week is 12 hours, which includes lectures and seminars. Office hours with faculty and academic advisers provide further support to students on the programme.

You should ordinarily possess at least an upper second class honours degree in accounting and finance or a related subject from a UK university, or have reached a similar standard in an overseas degree. All applicants without a UK undergraduate degree must submit GMAT test scores with their application. The overall GMAT score should normally be in excess of 650 points. Applicants with UK undergraduate degrees, particularly those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies, may be asked to submit GMAT scores. Students currently studying on the Diploma in Accounting and Finance programme at LSE are not required to submit GMAT scores.

In exceptional circumstances, applicants without a UK degree may be exempted from submitting GMAT scores. This may include cases where the requirement proves difficult for the individual to meet (eg, the test not being offered in the applicant's home country, or where

test centres only have limited spaces available for testing). When this is the case, applicants should complete and submit the online GMAT waiver form. Candidates are advised that approvals of such requests for a waiver are stringent and seldom granted.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Either **Corporate Finance and Asset Markets** which examines the fundamental concepts and tools underlying modern finance, both in the asset markets and the corporate finance side, or both **Asset Markets A*** which equips students with the fundamental concepts and tools underlying the assets markets side of modern finance and **Corporate Finance A*** (or another course with permission) which covers a range of topics in corporate finance including capital budgeting techniques, capital structure decisions, dividend policy, decision to go public and mergers and acquisitions.

Either **Financial Reporting in Capital Markets** which seeks to relate economic events to financial statements and disclosures, or **Financial Reporting, Capital Markets and Business Combinations*** which examines accounting in relation to value creation with special emphasis on cash flows and revenues, business combinations, corporate disclosure, capital markets efficiency and corporate governance and **Management Accounting for Decision**

Making* which focuses on cost and other accounting and non-accounting information systems that aid managerial decision-making, or **Financial Reporting, Capital Markets and Business Combinations* and Accounting, Strategy and Control*** which provides an advanced overview of current theoretical and practical developments in the area of organisational control, or **Management Accounting for Decision Making* and Accounting, Strategy and Control***.

Students will be expected to choose a total of two further units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates pursue careers across a wide range of sectors worldwide. Graduates have been employed by the major financial services, accountancy and advisory firms, as well as corporations, think tanks and government and public sector organisations around the world. Each year, some graduates from the programme also become entrepreneurs or join start-ups, while others pursue doctoral studies in accounting at LSE or other leading universities.



AHMED SALEH

GAZA, PALESTINE

MSc ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

HESPAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

With the MSc Accounting and Finance, I like the variety of courses on offer and the fact you can do a dissertation as part of the programme. This has really helped me discover where my interests lie.

The topics we discuss in our courses are relevant to what's going on in the industry today. You know that you're learning something that you will use in your daily work after graduation.

Before coming here, I didn't really know what my options were for employment, but thanks to LSE Careers, I've now experienced a couple of different work environments, and have learned more about the fields I can specialise in.

I really enjoy being in the centre of London, which has helped grow my network of connections and enabled me to become familiar with the industry.

LSE is really diverse. I have friends from almost every corner of the world, which I think will be a particularly valuable asset.

After I complete my master's study I would like to work in the industry for a few years before going on to further studies.



MSc Accounting, Organisations and Institutions

lse.ac.uk/grad/aoi

Application code: N4U4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time only (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 46/610

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 honours degree or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; Overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme provides the opportunity to study at the interface between accounting, organisations and institutions from a rigorous interdisciplinary social science perspective. The programme does not require a background in accounting, and students with an initial training in the humanities or the social or natural sciences are encouraged to apply. The programme is aimed at those aspiring to careers in accounting, auditing and assurance, financial management, risk management, management consultancy, and regulation, in a variety of for-profit and non-profit organisations globally. The degree also provides preparation for those aspiring to embark on academic research in the field of accounting.

You should possess at least an upper second class honours undergraduate degree from a UK university, or the international equivalent. Given the high competition for places on this programme, applicants who indicate an interest in this programme specifically as their first choice will maximise their prospect of admission to the programme. Thus, candidates should note the differentiated nature of the graduate programmes in the Department, and are advised to identify their first choice accordingly. Students admitted to this MSc cannot retrospectively switch to the MSc Accounting and Finance programme due to differing admission requirements.

Programme details

A short, focused, introductory course on accounting practices and techniques will be held at the beginning of the programme. Thereafter, you take examined courses up to a total of four full units. The average number of contact hours per week is 12 hours, which includes lectures and seminars. Office hours with teachers and academic advisers are available in addition to this.

Key features of the programme:

- Provides a stimulating and intellectually demanding approach to analysing how accounting is implicated in a range of organisational and institutional processes of calculation, reporting and evaluation.
- Introduces students to the different ways in which accounting shapes organisations and institutions across a range of different contexts.
- Explores the interface between accounting, risk management systems and accountability.
- Introduces students to key design issues for accounting and management control systems and their operation and regulation in both the for-profit and non-profit sectors.
- Provides the opportunity to study accounting and its organisational and institutional significance in one of the world's leading social science institutions.

- Blends LSE's tradition of developing the highest level of analytical skills with a focus on practice.
- Is aimed at individuals aspiring to the highest levels of seniority, whether in accounting firms, management consultancies, or government and regulatory institutions.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Accounting, Organisations and Institutions provides students with an advanced understanding of the changing role and position of accounting practices in organisations, both public and private, and societies more generally.

Management Accounting, Decisions and Control* provides an introduction to issues of accounting information and cost management, managerial decision making and performance management and **Financial Accounting, Reporting and Disclosure*** which delivers an introduction to financial accounting and highlights aspects of reporting that are important to users of financial information.

Students will be expected to choose additional courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students who successfully complete the MSc Accounting, Organisations and Institutions programme pursue careers across a wide range of sectors, in financial institutions, accounting firms, management consulting, industry, government and academia. Companies who have employed recent graduates from this programme include Bain & Company, Bank of New York Mellon, Barclays Capital, BlackRock, Credit Agricole, Crowe Horwath, General Electric, JP Morgan, Deloitte, Ernst & Young, PwC, KPMG, Proctor & Gamble, Merrill Lynch, Mondelez, EMI Music, Nordea Bank, Royal Dutch Shell, Schroders and Strategic Asset Partners LLP.



ANTHROPOLOGY

lse.ac.uk/anthropology

**Number of graduate students
(full-time equivalent)**

Taught: 91

Research: 23

**Number of faculty (full-time
equivalent):** 20

REF: 73 per cent of the Department's research was rated as world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Old Building

The Department of Anthropology has a strong international reputation and a long and distinguished history of leadership in the discipline. It is characterised by a dynamic research culture and by a strong commitment to teaching and to promoting an inclusive intellectual environment. We engage in innovative research in the unfolding contemporary world while maintaining core anthropological traditions: long-term empirical research, a commitment to a broad comparative enquiry on the nature of human sociality and human nature, and a constructive but critical engagement with social theory. In the 2014 REF, LSE's Anthropology Department was ranked first in the UK for research quality.

The Department has extensive international links and leading scholars in the discipline often come to LSE as academic visitors. These links bring a special quality to the Department's research culture, and are of great educational and professional benefit to students.

The Department has a long and distinguished history. It originated with the work of Bronislaw Malinowski who arrived in 1910 and developed the distinctive features of British social anthropology. Many of the most famous figures in this tradition have been students and teachers in the Department. You can hear from some of the current members of staff and students by watching our video Anthropology at LSE.

MRes/PhD Anthropology Visiting Research Students

Application code: L6ZB (MRes/PhD), L6EA (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MRes/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), (VRS) up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in taught master's in social anthropology from a British university. If you do not have these qualifications you should apply for an MSc in the first instance. In exceptional circumstances the Department will consider students with a BA/BSc in Social Anthropology (at least an upper second) from a UK university.



(Please note that for students currently registered on the Department's MSc Anthropology and Development, MSc Anthropology and Development Management, MSc Religion in the Contemporary World, or MSc China in Comparative Perspective programmes, specific additional conditions apply)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36), LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MRes/PhD Anthropology is part of the Social Science group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place earlier. The funding deadline is 11 January 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

Our graduate research programme, which is central to the life of the Department, is built around long-term participant observation fieldwork. In

recent years, doctoral students have conducted fieldwork – related to a broad range of contemporary themes in social anthropology – in many different countries, especially in Asia, Africa, Europe, the Middle East, South America and the Pacific. We invite applications for research, particularly on topics which are linked to the interests and expertise of our members of staff.

In order to be considered for direct admission to the MRes/PhD programme, you must normally have completed an MA or MSc in social anthropology at a British university to a high standard (students with a UK-based BA/BSc in anthropology should contact us to discuss possible exemptions to this requirement). If you do not have these qualifications, but have equivalent training in social anthropology in another national context, the Department may, in exceptional circumstances, consider admission. If you do not have the appropriate taught-degree background in anthropology you should apply first for one of our MSc programmes. While studying for the MSc, you may apply for admission to the MRes/PhD programme in the following year, although admission is still competitive and is not guaranteed. However, if you will be supported by a scholarship which can be held only for a research degree and not for the MSc degree, you should write directly to the Department's Doctoral Programme Director to discuss this in relation to your individual circumstances.



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MPhil/PhD ANTHROPOLOGY

LSE PhD STUDENTSHIP

The Anthropology Department is not only well established with a long and impressive history, but also has a friendly, informal atmosphere with great relationships between staff and students.

The PhD community is very social and I enjoy the mix of students, from different countries and walks of life. It is an intellectually stimulating environment, with lots of interesting speakers coming to our seminars. My thesis supervisors are also great; they are always encouraging and give me lots of useful feedback on my work.

I like that the city has so many different parts with different characters. I like the diversity of people and the tolerant atmosphere, where nobody will ask you about your accent because almost everybody has one. There is also an endless amount of gigs and food from all over the world!

After I complete my PhD, I will either continue into a career in academia or go back to the international development field, to work on social protection and policy in Cambodia and Nepal.



The first year of our graduate research programme focuses on fieldwork preparation and training in research methodologies. Students take courses and seminars based in the Department of Anthropology. Depending on your qualifications and background, you will also be asked to take additional coursework in social anthropology by attending lecture courses in, for example, kinship or religion. Throughout the pre-fieldwork year, your main task is to prepare – in close consultation with your two supervisors – a formal research proposal (with a 10,000 word limit). This is formally assessed by the Department. Students are normally upgraded from MRes to PhD registration if their proposals have been approved, and if they have achieved the required marks in their coursework. They are then allowed to proceed to fieldwork.

During fieldwork – depending on the practicalities of communication – students are expected to maintain close contact with their supervisors about the progress of their work. Most of our students carry out fieldwork for approximately 18 months.

After fieldwork, doctoral candidates begin writing their PhD dissertations under the close guidance of their supervisors. During this period of their studies, they attend weekly thesis-writing seminars, and seminars on recent developments in

anthropology and their professionalisation as well as departmental seminars on anthropological theory. Most students complete their dissertations between one and two years after their fieldwork has ended.

The research interests of our staff span nearly all the major theoretical spheres of modern social anthropology. Our range of regional interests is equally wide. Please see the staff profiles to get a better sense of the particular areas of expertise. Applicants to the MRes/PhD are strongly advised to consider how their interests match those of the staff.

Taught programmes

MSc Anthropology and Development (see page 60)

MSc Anthropology and Development Management (see page 61)

MSc China in Comparative Perspective (see page 63)

MSc Religion in the Contemporary World (see page 63)

MSc Social Anthropology (see page 64)

MSc Anthropology and Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/ad

Application code: Y2UB

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 9/84

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, with a genuine interest in anthropology and development, and in possible areas of overlap between the two (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme is offered by the Department of Anthropology with the assistance of the Department of International Development and offers the following benefits:

- The programme offers an excellent and intensive introduction to the disciplines of social anthropology and international development.

- Both the Department of Anthropology and the Department of International Development have a strongly international character, and are situated in the only institution devoted solely to the social sciences in the UK.
- The strong tradition of empirical research within both departments directly informs and enhances the teaching on the programme.

The programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class honours degree, or international equivalent in any discipline who can demonstrate a genuine interest in anthropology and development.

Programme details

The programme will help you to develop a good understanding of classical social theory and modern anthropological theory, with reference to a range of theoretical issues, including those of development and social change, and in relation to appropriate ethnography. You will gain a thorough understanding of the history of development policy and practice and their theoretical underpinnings, and of the ways in which these are illuminated by anthropology. Though the programme is not a course in “applied anthropology”, it will be invaluable if you are planning a career in development work. The programme also provides a good foundation for anthropological research on problems connected with development.

Scheduled teaching normally includes three hours of lectures and three hours of seminars per week (depending on options

selected), supplemented by regular academic tutorials.

You take compulsory core courses to the value of two units, one each in anthropology and in international development. You take further courses to the value of one full unit, and complete a dissertation to be submitted in late August.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Anthropology of Development*, which explores how anthropologists have evaluated, criticised and contributed to development. Covering a range of key topics in fine-grained ethnographic detail, it assesses how far the work of practitioners/insiders working on practical projects can be reconciled with critiques of development theory and practice by anthropologists.

Either **Anthropology of Economy (1): Production and Exchange***, which examines “the economy” as an object of social scientific analysis and a domain of human action. It explores the form economic institutions take cross-culturally and economic institutions are transformed as a result of their incorporation into a wider capitalist markets, state systems, and development initiatives. Students become familiar with core concepts such as production, consumption, exchange, the household, property, alienation, scarcity, and value, and with recent anthropological theories on the place of nature in capitalism, and on economic crises, or **Anthropology of Economy**

(2): Development, Transformation and Globalisation*, which addresses topics in the anthropology of globalisation, exploring how scholars have understood new forms of production, consumption, exchange and financial circulation. Some emphasise post-Fordist methods of flexible production and neo-liberal elite projects; some focus on trans-state processes of globalisation; some analyse shifts in state policies such as austerity, decentralised planning, public-private partnerships and the deregulation of financial markets; while others address new forms of consumer society, popular desires for social mobility and transnational migration.

Either **Development: History, Theory and Policy**, which focuses on the major trends of development and change in modern history and interpretations of them in the social sciences; and contemporary economic and social theory and their bearing on the policy and practice of development, or **Key Issues in Development Studies***, which provides an overview of the key issues and debates in international development. It features lectures from leading LSE experts on subjects such as climate change, conflict, poverty, the financial crisis, demography, democratisation, health, migration, human rights and trade and a half unit in development.

Dissertation

Students will choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses

may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides ideal preparation for research work in anthropology, international development and related fields.

MSc Anthropology and Development Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/adm

Application code: L6U7

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 10/60

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, with a genuine interest in anthropology and development, and in possible areas of overlap between the two (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme is offered by the Department of Anthropology with the assistance of the Department of International Development. The programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class degree in any discipline who can demonstrate a genuine interest in anthropology and development.

The programme offers the following benefits:

- This programme offers an excellent and intensive introduction to the disciplines of social anthropology and international development.
- The strong tradition of empirical research within both departments directly informs and enhances the teaching on the programmes.
- A combination of theoretical and practical teaching on international development issues. The core course in development for this programme includes an introduction to organisational and institutional theory. This knowledge is then applied to a live consulting exercise with a development agency in the UK or abroad. Practical and theoretical issues are therefore fully integrated in a professional project.
- Both the Department of Anthropology and the Department of International Development have a strongly international character, and are situated in the only institution devoted solely to the social sciences in the UK.

Programme details

This programme will help you to understand how social theory and modern

anthropological theory can be applied to the analysis of development and social change. You will explore theories about the emergence of states, how institutions impact on development and how these processes can be illuminated by anthropology. You will gain understanding of how political economy can be used to explain the causes of development and non-development. You will also examine the practical effects of different kinds of authority, incentives and accountability mechanisms. You will gain insight into best practice in designing state agencies, private firms and NGOs and/or implementing changes in these organisations. Though the programme is not a course in “applied anthropology”, it will be invaluable if you are planning a career in development work because of its consultancy project element. The programme also provides a good foundation for anthropological research on problems connected with development.

Scheduled teaching normally includes three hours of lectures and three hours of seminars per week (depending on options selected), supplemented by regular academic tutorials. In addition, as part of the course Development Management, students will take part in and be assessed on the Development Management Project, a live consultancy exercise in consultation with International Development staff.

You take two compulsory core courses (one in anthropology and one in development), an optional course to the value of one unit, and complete a dissertation to be submitted in late August.

Compulsory courses

(*half unit)

Anthropology of Development*

which explores how anthropologists have evaluated, criticised and contributed to development. Covering a range of key topics in fine-grained ethnographic detail, it assesses how far the work of practitioners/insiders working on practical projects can be reconciled with critiques of development theory and practice by anthropologists.

Development Management which employs a political economy approach to examine the causes of development and non-development. It focuses on the different kinds of authority, incentives and accountability mechanisms that govern the relationships between managers and recipients in the institutions and organisations that people use to meet their political, economic and social needs; and reviews debates about the design of state agencies and private firms, showing how centralised bureaucracies, markets, participatory and solidaristic agencies operate to provide essential services. It explores deep theories about the emergence of the state and the different social, political and economic actors that

work within it and vie to control it; and examines how those forces interact to drive processes of change in different kinds of society.

Either **Anthropology of Economy (1): Production and Exchange*** which

examines “the economy” as an object of social scientific analysis and a domain of human action. It explores the form economic institutions take cross-culturally and economic institutions are transformed as a result of their incorporation into wider capitalist markets, state systems, and development initiatives. Students become familiar with core concepts such as production, consumption, exchange, the household, property, alienation, scarcity, and value, and with recent anthropological theories on the place of nature in capitalism, and on economic crises or **Anthropology of Economy (2): Development, Transformation and Globalisation*** which addresses topics in the anthropology of globalisation, exploring how scholars have understood new forms of production, consumption, exchange

and financial circulation. Some emphasise post-Fordist methods of flexible production and neo-liberal elite projects; some focus on trans-state processes of globalisation; some analyse shifts in state policies such as austerity, decentralised planning, public-private partnerships and the deregulation of financial markets; while others address new forms of consumer society, popular desires for social mobility and transnational margins.

Dissertation

Students choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides ideal preparation for research work in anthropology, international development and related fields.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Providing critical evidence to fight unsupportable cutbacks in legal funding

Professor Deborah James’ research helped document the serious social and economic consequences of reducing public access to legal aid.

MSc China in Comparative Perspective

lse.ac.uk/grad/ccp

Application code: L6U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in social science (see page 40)

Intake/applications in 2014: 30/174

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme is based in the Department of Anthropology, however teaching contributions come from staff in a range of departments within LSE. The programme provides an introduction to the study of China, drawing on a range of social science disciplines including anthropology, economic history, international history, sociology, government and international relations.

This programme is aimed at students with a background in the social sciences and a strong interest in China.

It offers the following benefits:

- Students are taught about China from a comparative social science perspective.
- Students benefit from LSE's considerable expertise in studies of China and of Asia more generally.

Programme details

A key feature of the MSc is that China is always considered in a comparative and historical framework. So, for example, Chinese economic history might be contrasted with European or Indian economic history or Chinese governmental powers with those found in Europe.

The programme is built around a compulsory course on China in Comparative Perspective, combining lectures, seminars and tutorial supervision. Additionally you take optional courses to the value of two units and complete a dissertation to be submitted in late August.

Scheduled teaching normally includes three hours of lectures and three hours of seminars per week (depending on options selected), supplemented by fortnightly academic tutorials in groups of two or three students. During the Lent and Summer terms there are additional one-hour seminars to prepare students for dissertation writing.

Compulsory courses

China in Comparative Perspective puts the politics, economy and social life of China into a framework in which to compare and juxtapose it with other major examples.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a list of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is a good preparation for research work in an academic discipline, but is also appropriate for those with career interests related to China and East Asia, for example, in business, culture, or government. Graduates of this programme have chosen a variety of careers, including as analysts, consultants, journalists, and government officials.

MSc Religion in the Contemporary World

lse.ac.uk/grad/rcw

Application code: L6U3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 6/27

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, with genuine interest in the social sciences and religion (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme provides an interdisciplinary, broad social science perspective on the study of religion, in contrast to courses which take a religious studies or theology-based perspective.

This programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class degree in the humanities and social sciences, including those who may have studied anthropology within the context of a more general degree. The programme will also be of interest and value to those with a traditional background in religious studies or theology, or with a pastoral or vocational training, or with careers in writing, teaching, development and caring professions as well as those who would like to consider religion from an alternative and complementary perspective. The programme also produces a high proportion of successful candidates for PhD programmes.

Key features of the programme include:

- It covers topics of key importance, such as secularisation, religion and public policy, religion in the developing world, religion in the West and its historical development, and the understanding of Western models of religion and secularisation through comparison with the rest of the world.
- Teaching is directly informed and enhanced by the strong tradition of fieldwork-based research within the Department. The distinctive compulsory course allows students to work closely on extended case studies in the second term; these are based on their lecturers' own expert primary research on religion.
- The course relates material on religion and secularism in the West to studies of religions from many different parts of the world. Recent special topics include work on China, India, post-Soviet Central Asia, the United States, and the United Kingdom.
- The programme permits students to combine a strong anthropological training with a range of interdisciplinary courses on religion based in other LSE Departments including International History, Government, International Relations and the European Institute.

- All students write a 10,000 word dissertation which permits them to develop their own interests in the light of the programme.

Programme details

Scheduled teaching normally includes three hours of lectures and three hours of seminars per week (depending on options selected), supplemented by regular academic tutorials, which means that students on this MSc benefit from direct and sustained contact with members of staff.

You take a compulsory core course, a choice of options and complete an essay (dissertation) to be submitted in late August.

Compulsory courses

Understanding Religion in the Contemporary World considers the distinctive definition and understanding of "religion" within the social sciences.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

MSc Social Anthropology

lse.ac.uk/grad/sa

Application code: L6U5

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 31/167

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

The programme is an excellent and intensive introduction to the discipline of social anthropology.

This programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class degree in any discipline, including those who may have studied anthropology within the context of a more general degree.

The programme offers the following benefits:

- Teaching is directly informed and enhanced by the very strong tradition of fieldwork-based research within the LSE Department of Anthropology.

- We offer a full academic tutorial system, which means that students on this MSc benefit from direct and sustained contact with members of staff.

Programme details

Students take a compulsory core course, a choice of options to the value of two full units, and complete an essay (dissertation) to be submitted in late August.

Scheduled teaching normally includes three hours of lectures and three hours of seminars per week (depending on options selected), supplemented by regular academic tutorials.

Compulsory courses

Anthropology: Theory and Ethnography examines the relationship between theory and ethnography in modern social and cultural anthropology.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is an ideal preparation for research work in the study of religion. Many graduates from the Department go on to complete PhDs. It will also provide a foundation for those wishing to find employment in the civil service, policy and diplomacy, education, social work, journalism and NGOs.

Graduate destinations

The programme is an ideal preparation for research work in anthropology and related fields.

CITIES PROGRAMME

lse.ac.uk/cities

The Cities Programme is an innovative and interdisciplinary graduate programme that addresses the challenges of urban development and design in their social, economic, environmental and political contexts. Its central objective is to relate the physical and social organisation of cities and urban spaces. The Cities Programme takes a multidisciplinary approach to these issues, drawing on expertise and insights from the social and economic sciences, architecture and urban design, planning and environmental studies, and other fields. The Programme is the graduate education branch of the LSE Cities research centre, hosted by the Department of Sociology, and offers degree courses at MSc and PhD level.

PhD students researching in the fields of cities, space, architecture and urban studies are an important part of the Cities Programme culture. Our faculty and students come from a range of national as well as disciplinary contexts, enhancing the Programme's vibrant research and teaching environment. The LSE Cities Research Centre sponsors numerous public lectures, seminars and events on urban issues, hosts international scholars and speakers, and is linked into national and international urban networks.

MPhil/PhD Cities

Application code: L4ZB

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 3/4 years (minimum 2)

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in a related discipline

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36)

Application deadline: None, however, the first full round of applications will be considered in March, and potential candidates are encouraged to submit their applications in advance of this period. If you wish to be considered for LSE studentships and scholarships you should apply by 11 January 2016

Opportunities for research

The MPhil/PhD Cities Programme offers an excellent environment for interdisciplinary graduate research on cities, space and urbanism. Students come to the programme from a range of academic and professional backgrounds, sharing an interest in linking the social and physical study of urban issues. The doctoral programme includes training in research design, practice and presentation in the first

year, access to relevant graduate taught courses to enhance general and project-specific skills, a range of student-led and international collaborations and initiatives, and opportunities for exchange and networking through other international partnerships. Research focuses on the academic expertise of staff within the Cities Programme, Department of Sociology, and LSE in general, addressing the spatial, social, economic and environmental aspects of cities and urban life.

You should have a merit or higher in a master's degree from a British university or its equivalent in another country, in a relevant discipline within the social sciences, architecture and urban design, or related fields in the humanities. When you apply for an MPhil/PhD, you will need to develop a research proposal that sets out clearly the research problem you wish to investigate, potential research contexts or case studies, and describe the methods of research you propose to use. This will help us to evaluate your potential to embark on a research degree, and to identify a supervisor with similar interests and appropriate expertise. In considering your application, we may request submission of one or two pieces of written work that reflect your academic interests and abilities, and invite you for interview (including telephone interview where appropriate). If accepted onto the programme, you will be initially registered for the MPhil. You may transfer to PhD registration when you have completed preliminary written work of sufficient

quality and quantity, usually within two years of full-time registration.

In the first year, you will be expected to take a range of methodology and specialist courses. These are selected in discussion with your supervisor, dependent on your research needs and interests, and may include courses from other institutes or departments at LSE. You must attend the first year research classes for MPhil students taught within the Sociology Department and, unless you have already successfully studied research methods at master's level, you will normally be expected to complete graduate course units in methodology, on the advice of your supervisor.

At the end of your first year, you will produce for assessment a 5,000 word research proposal, outlining the aims and methods of your thesis. Successful completion of this assessment is the condition for progress to the second year.

After the first year you will spend more time on independent study under the guidance of your personal supervisor/s. This will involve the collection, organisation, analysis and writing up of data and ideas. You will also attend regular workshops and seminars related to your interests. You will be expected to make an active contribution to these by presenting papers and/or taking part in general discussions.

Taught programme

MSc City Design and Social Science (see page 191)

GRANTHAM RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ENVIRONMENT

lse.ac.uk/granthamInstitute

The Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment is home to climate change and environment research at LSE.

The Institute, funded by the Grantham Foundation for the Protection of the Environment, is chaired by Lord Stern of Brentford, author of the 2006 Stern Review, and brings together high quality research on climate change and environmental issues from across the social sciences, supporting policy development, raising public awareness, and contributing to business strategy.

The Institute also hosts the ESRC Centre for Climate Change Economics and

Policy. This is a research partnership between LSE and the University of Leeds to advance climate-change policy by improving both the evidence and the tools available to decision makers. The Research agenda of the Institute and Centre covers nine broad themes:

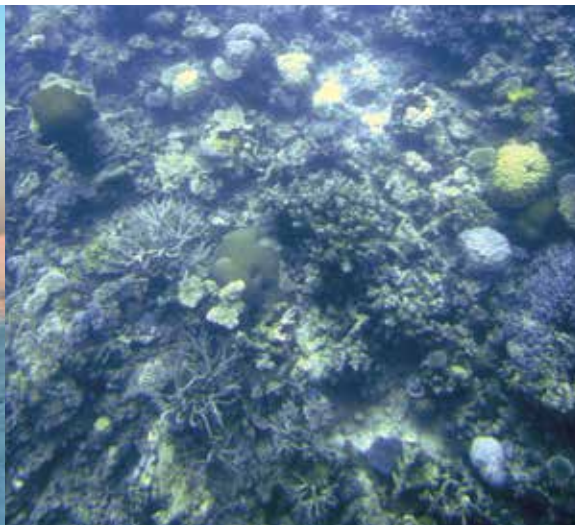
- adaptation and development
- carbon trading and finance
- ecosystems, resources and the natural environment
- energy, technology and trade
- future generations and social justice
- growth and the economy

- international environmental negotiations
- modelling and decisionmaking
- private sector adaptation, risk and insurance

Opportunities for research

There are opportunities across many departments at LSE for research on the social science aspects of climate and environmental change, and the Institute houses a growing number of research students working in these areas. Cutting edge research in this area requires interaction and collaboration across the disciplines and the Institute is working in partnership with departments and other research centres, including the Departments of Geography and

Environment, Economics, Statistics, International Relations, Philosophy and centres such as CEP, Financial Markets, CATS and Human Rights. Students receive research training in the relevant departments and where appropriate are affiliated to the Institute.



ECONOMIC HISTORY

lse.ac.uk/economicHistory

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent): 112

Taught: 112

Research: 28

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 21

REF: 78 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Sardinia House

Following in a long and distinguished tradition, research in the Department of Economic History uses concepts and theories from the social sciences as a starting point for studying the development of real economies and understanding them in their social, political and cultural context.

The Department is home to by far the largest group of researchers in economic

history in the UK and probably the world. The composition and international diversity of its staff, academic visitors and research students mean that its interests range from the medieval period to the current century, from Latin America to China via Africa and Europe, from questions about the institutions of economic change to ones on technology and finance, and from the history of economic ideas and policy to the measurement of past human well-being and explanations for global trade patterns. Research and teaching are particularly vigorous in the international economic history of the 19th and 20th centuries; the economic history of the less developed world; and global economic history.

We particularly value a comparative outlook on research, and the fruits of our research have been used by international agencies, such as the World Bank and International Monetary Fund, government departments and local communities. Our faculty have included among their research commitments the editorship of *The Economic History Review*, *The Journal of African History* and *The European Review of Economic History*.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Supporting the development and success of the creative industries

Associate Professor Gerben Bakker helped policymakers understand how to bolster the economic impact of film, music, news and other media.

MPhil/PhD Economic History Visiting Research Students

Application code: V3ZE (MPhil/PhD) V3EE (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in economic history, or a related subject in social science. Other students should apply for MSc Economic History (Research)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (see page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Economic History is part of the Global Economic Performance Policy and Management group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place earlier. The funding deadline is 11 January 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

To undertake research you should have completed a taught master's degree in economic history, economics or a closely related subject. Other students will be expected to take the MSc Economic History (Research) as the first year of their programme. Incoming students may also be required during the first year of the MPhil/PhD to take one or more examined MSc options related to the provision of core knowledge and individual research interests. Those entering from the master's degrees in the Department are required to achieve a merit overall and 65 per cent in the dissertation to qualify for entry to the MPhil/PhD programme.

All research students who have not already taken the MSc in Economic History in the Department are expected to attend the MSc (Research) core courses, Historical Analysis of Economic Change and Research Design and Quantitative Methods in Economic History. These courses provide a basic awareness of historical methodology and central themes in economic history; introduce important analytical tools used by economic historians and consider how these have been and can be applied in research; and examine how statistical techniques and inference procedures can be used in the study of economic history. In addition, all first year research students attend a compulsory course, which provides a forum for the discussion of general issues and problems relating to PhD research, as well as assisting students to clarify their topics and research strategies through the examination of texts related to their proposed thesis areas. Supervisors may

also require students to take additional taught courses in the first year of study.

A thesis workshop for all graduate research students is held weekly during term, and all students are expected to attend. This provides a forum for students to chair seminars, present papers, and act as discussants, and as such constitutes a central part of the graduate training programme.

The main goal of research students in the Department is the researching and writing of a thesis. Students are, however, expected to do much more than just thesis research. Most doctoral students go on to academic or academic related jobs which require a broader knowledge of the subject than can be gained from intense but narrow thesis research. Research students are therefore regularly expected to attend and participate in departmental workshops and seminars, as well as other seminars in the University of London. Advanced research students are expected to present research papers at conferences and seminars, and many also act as teaching assistants on undergraduate courses.

All students have one main supervisor, and in most cases a second supervisor. The supervisor is the student's most important academic link with the Department. The research student tutor is responsible for the overall research programme, and chairs the Graduate Review Committee which oversees the progress of research students. All students are reviewed at the end of their first year of research, and registration for the second year depends on a satisfactory outcome. Students are reviewed again when they

upgrade from MPhil to PhD status, normally at the end of their second year of study, when they are expected to have produced around half the thesis in draft.

The Department has a large body of research students drawn from every continent, who join with staff members to form a vigorous research community. Students leave the Department equipped for any profession that requires intellectual judgement, the ability to assess and analyse evidence and ideas, and good communication skills. Graduates of the programme have gone on to university teaching or research posts, into jobs in international economic agencies, such as the Asian Development Bank and the World Bank, and to a variety of other positions, from museum directors to pig farmers!

Taught programmes

MSc Economic History (see page 68)

MSc Economic History (Research) (see page 69)

MSc Global History (see page 70)

MA Global Studies: A European Perspective (see page 210). A two year (full-time) Erasmus Mundus programme. Students spend a year at each of two participating universities. EU financial support is available

MSc Political Economy of Late Development (see page 71)

MSc Quantitative Economic History /MRes Quantitative Economic History (see page 71)

MSc Economic History

lse.ac.uk/grad/eh

Application code: V3U1

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 70/289 (with research track)

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

The MSc Economic History offers a flexible programme to those who have already studied economic history at first degree level, or for those who have studied a related discipline and whose interests have moved towards economic history. Applicants for our MSc programmes should have at least an upper second class honours degree, or its equivalent, in the social sciences.

Programme details

The wide range of courses in economic history available enables candidates to compile a programme that meets their

particular requirements. The degree is a twelve month programme, consisting of one compulsory half unit, a compulsory dissertation (half or full unit), and optional courses to the value of two and a half or three units selected from the prescribed list, which must include at least one of our advanced survey courses on modern or pre-modern economic history over the last millennium.

Students leave the Department equipped for any profession that requires intellectual judgement, the ability to assess and analyse evidence and ideas, and good communication skills.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Historical Analysis of Economic Change* covers the central themes and key methodological and theoretical issues in economic history.

One from:

Essay/Dissertation (6,000 words).*

Dissertation (10,000 words).

And:

Either **The Development and Integration of the World Economy in the 19th and 20th Centuries** provides an overview of the development and integration of the world economy since the First Industrial Revolution or **Pre-modern Paths of Growth: East and West Compared, c1000-1800** surveys long-term processes of growth and development in pre-modern Europe, China and Japan.

Depending on the type of essay/dissertation chosen, students are expected to select a total of one and a half units or two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Economic history graduates can be found in management and administration in the public and private sectors; banking; journalism; economic consultancy; and library and museum services, to mention just a few.

MSc Economic History (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/ehres

Application code: V3U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 70/289 (with non-Research track)

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Economic History (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38). Your complete application must be submitted before 11 January 2016 to be considered for nomination

Application deadline: None

Notes: This research track can be taken as a stand alone qualification or as the first year of a research degree, followed by 3-4 years of MPhil/PhD. You should indicate in your personal statement if you wish to be considered for the 1+3 programme and submit an outline research proposal

The MSc Economic History (Research) provides training in methods including the role of theory, evaluation, analysis and explanation, quantitative techniques and computing, the use of sources and presentational skills, all of which give a foundation for more advanced research work in the subject. Applicants for our MSc programmes should have at least an upper second class honours degree, or its equivalent, in the social sciences. Students considering further graduate work and/or students who have received an ESRC 1+3 grant, must successfully complete the MSc Economic History (Research) degree.

Programme details

The programme comprises two compulsory half units, a dissertation and optional courses selected from a prescribed list. Please note that some options have prerequisites and some have a restricted intake.

Students leave the Department equipped for any profession that requires intellectual judgement, the ability to assess and analyse evidence and ideas, and good communication skills.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Historical Analysis of Economic Change* covers the central themes and key methodological and theoretical issues in economic history.

Research Dissertation of 15,000 words (counts as two units).



One of the following research training courses:

Research Design and Quantitative Methods in Economic History* is concerned with how economic historians have used quantitative methods and with how researchers design and structure a research project.

Quantitative Topics in Economic History I: Cross-Section and Panel Data* provides an overview of quantitative approaches in economic history using primarily cross-section and panel data.

Quantitative Topics in Economic History II: Time Series and Economic Dynamics* provides an overview of quantitative approaches in economic history using primarily time series and dynamic techniques.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Economic history graduates can be found in management and administration in the public and private sectors; banking; journalism; economic consultancy; and library and museum services, to mention just a few.

MSc Global History

lse.ac.uk/grad/gh

Application code: V3U6

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 10/54

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in humanities or social science. Prior knowledge of economic theory is not essential (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

This programme is intended for graduates in history, geography, anthropology and other humanities degrees as well as related social sciences, such as economics, politics and sociology (prior knowledge of economic theory is not essential).

Applicants should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science or humanities subject and a desire to explore change in a global perspective over the long term.

The programme was developed in response to the maturation of global history as a field; by the contribution of economic history and social science based approaches to the framing and content of the field; and by the increasing involvement of members of the Department in this area. To achieve coherence and rigour, the focus is specifically on economic change considered in its cultural, social and political contexts.

Programme details

The MSc comprises compulsory courses to the value of two and a half units, and either optional courses to the value of one unit and a half unit dissertation, or optional courses to the value of a half unit and a dissertation to the value of one unit. The compulsory half unit course introduces central debates and key analytical tools and the full unit courses provide a general grounding in major processes in global history over the last millennium.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Economic Change in Global History: Approaches and Analysis* introduces central themes and analytical tools in global history, focussing on the history of material progress and stasis, and considering the comparisons and connections between the histories of different regions of the world.

One from:

Essay/Dissertation* (6,000 words).

Dissertation (10,000 words).

Two from:

Pre-modern Paths of Growth: East and West Compared, c1000-1800 surveys long-term processes of growth and development in pre-modern Europe, China and Japan.

The Development and Integration of the World Economy in the 19th and 20th Centuries provides an overview of the development and integration of the world economy.

Empire, Colonialism and Globalisation examines the political and cultural history of empires and their legacy in the contemporary world.

Depending on the type of essay/dissertation chosen, students will be expected to choose a total of half or one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Global Studies provides essential training for those who wish to develop professional research expertise in global history. Graduates of the programme have gone on to study for a PhD, into jobs in international economic agencies and development, as well as journalism, economic consultancy and management and administration in the public and private sectors.

MSc Political Economy of Late Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/peld

Application code: V3UC

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 27/141

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 in social science or humanities
(see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

This programme is based in the Department of Economic History and the Department of International Development.

The MSc Political Economy of Late Development offers students an opportunity to integrate two related fields of study that draw on the breadth of research expertise and practical experience in the Department of Economic History and the Department of International Development. It provides a unique set of courses that combine conceptual approaches to development, empirical analyses of patterns of growth in Africa, Asia and Latin America, and key themes in development.

The intellectual objectives of the degree derive from increasing interest in the recent economic history of late developing economies and their differing growth trajectories.

Programme details

The programme uses techniques of long-run growth analysis to inform modern approaches to development policy and practice. It provides a comparative assessment of current development debates, and locates them in appropriate historical and theoretical contexts. Courses consider the origin and outcomes of patterns of growth in various parts of the world, policy responses to differing growth outcomes, and assumptions underpinning policy interventions. The programme also seeks to explain how and when some developing economies “converged” with industrialised countries, while the growth performance of others was more erratic, and why problems of poverty, inequality, instability and violence still characterise large parts of the world.

The degree is a twelve month programme, consisting of two compulsory units, a dissertation, and optional courses to the value of two full units selected from the prescribed list. The compulsory elements are Development: Theory, History and Policy and Theories, Paths and Patterns of Late Development, to which the dissertation is linked. In choosing options, students must select an equivalent of one full Department of International Development unit and one full Department of Economic History unit.

Please note that some options have prerequisites and some have a restricted

intake. The range of options available in any one year may vary.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Theories, Paths and Patterns of Late Development* examines the central themes and key methodological and theoretical issues in economic history.

Development: History, Theory and Policy integrates the concepts and perspectives of a range of disciplines to consider: major trends of development and change in modern history and interpretations of them in the social sciences; contemporary economic and social theory and their bearing on the policy and practice of development.

Dissertation*

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units, to consist of one full unit from the Department of Economic History and one unit from the Department of International Development.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is primarily intended for students planning a career in development work, and provides a good foundation for social science research in development.

MSc Quantitative Economic History MRes Quantitative Economic History PhD Quantitative Economic History

lse.ac.uk/grad/qeh

Application code: V3UF

Start date: 22 September 2016. Introductory course in Mathematics and Statistics begins in late August 2016

Duration: 5-6 years full-time of which: 1 year MSc, 1 year MRes, 3-4 years PhD

Minimum entry requirement: First class honours with concentration on economics and quantitative subjects and at least a year of calculus, linear algebra and statistics, but will consider an upper second class where there is strength in relevant areas (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All students who do not have an undergraduate economics degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test. GRE scores must be no more than five years old

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

Applicants for this programme should have a first class honours degree, or equivalent, but we will consider an upper second class degree with exceptional strength in appropriate subject areas. The MSc Quantitative Economic History is especially designed to meet the requirements of those with a strong grounding in undergraduate economics who wish to take the first steps towards a PhD in Quantitative Economic History, and we expect students to have very good grades in intermediate macro and microeconomics and econometrics. You should have a solid quantitative background with at least a year of calculus, linear algebra and statistics and should, for instance, know how to handle maximisation of a function of several variables subject to constraint, and be able to explain what is meant by an efficient estimator.

All students who do not have an undergraduate economics degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before applying, and must include full and percentile test scores for all three sections with their application. Please see page 40. We do not require a specific mark but the test gives us an indication of aptitude for economics. Typically

we expect candidates to score at least 161/770 in the quantitative section of the test. A higher score will count in your favour, but other information, such as grades and references will matter more in the overall evaluation. We recognise that if your first language is not English, the verbal test will present special difficulties and we view your score on that basis.

Programme details

The MSc degree runs over twelve months and consists of one and a half compulsory courses in economic history and two full unit compulsory courses in economics, plus an essay in quantitative economic history, counting as a half unit. The training provided through the delivery of these courses aims to increase students' methodological competencies and to assist and inform their dissertation work. Students are required to attend the Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics before the main teaching programme starts in October. Unconditional progression to the second part of the programme, the MRes Quantitative Economic History, is contingent upon gaining a Pass overall at MSc level, with at least 50 per cent in the essay.

The MRes Quantitative Economic History is the second stage of the programme and also runs for twelve months, building on the foundations laid with the successful completion of the MSc. Study for the MRes includes substantive economic history courses to the value of

two full units, complemented by one full unit compulsory course in economics and a full unit 10,000 word research paper in quantitative economic history. You must also provide a research prospectus of approximately 5,000 words, which is not examined, but is subject to approval by a departmental board. To progress unconditionally to the final stage of the programme, you must achieve at least a Merit overall in the MRes, with at least 65 per cent in the research paper.

The PhD Quantitative Economic History is the final stage of the programme and is expected to be completed in 3-4 years. You will be expected to produce a paper-based PhD thesis that is comprised of three publishable research papers. You will be assigned two supervisors who will oversee the formulation and completion of your research. During this period you will build on the formal training provided through the MRes and develop your research skills and scholarly abilities, in part by attending weekly seminars with other students taking the course. You will also gain professional experience in how to present your work at graduate workshops held regularly in the Department.

Part I: MSc Quantitative Economic History

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Historical Analysis of Economic Change* provides a basic awareness of

central themes and key methodological and theoretical issues in economic history

Topics in Quantitative Economic History topics are chosen to illustrate particular theoretical, quantitative or methodological issues.

Either **Microeconomics** develops the basic tools for analysing problems of resource allocation used by economists working in research, government and business or **Macroeconomics** provides a wide-ranging survey of modern macroeconomics.

Econometrics illustrates the techniques of empirical investigation in economics.

Essay in Quantitative Economic History (6,000 words)*.

Part II: MRes Quantitative Economic History

Compulsory courses

Either **Microeconomics** develops the basic tools for analysing problems of resource allocation used by economists working in research, government and business or **Macroeconomics** provides a wide-ranging survey of modern macroeconomics.

Research Paper in Quantitative Economic History (10,000 words).

Research prospectus

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options.

Part III: PhD Quantitative Economic History

Thesis

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students leave the Department equipped for any profession that requires intellectual judgement, the ability to assess and analyse evidence and ideas, and good communication skills. Economic history graduates can be found in management and administration in the public and private sectors; academia; banking; journalism; economic consultancy; and library and museum services, to mention just a few.

ECONOMICS

lse.ac.uk/economics

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 175

Research: 115

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 73

REF: 89 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields

The Department is one of the largest in the world, and offers an unusually rich choice of courses. It is also one of the leading research departments. This is reflected in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework which recognised the Department's outstanding contribution to the field. According to the REF 2014 results, 56 per cent of the Department's research output was graded 4 star (the highest category), indicating that it is "world-leading". A further 33 per cent was designated "internationally excellent" (3 star).

Ten past and present members of staff and students have been awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics including the 2010 prize winner Christopher Pissarides. Important figures in the discipline such as Atkinson, Besley, Layard, King, Sutton and Stern are, or have been, members of the Department. Both the former

Bank of England Governor, Professor the Lord Mervyn King, and former Deputy Governor, Sir Charlie Bean, were Professors in the Economics Department before they took up their appointments at the Bank and have now returned to the Department.

In rankings of departments, based on publications in leading journals and peer review, the Department is consistently placed in the top 20 worldwide, far ahead of any other department in Europe. A recent ranking by Tilburg University of publications in top economics journals 2008-12 places the Department 11th worldwide. Members of the Department are current or former editors of some of the leading journals, including the *American Economic Review*, *Review of Economics Studies*, the *Economic Journal* and *Economica*.

There is a cosmopolitan feel to the Department as well over half the members of staff were born or educated outside the UK and nearly three-quarters of graduate students come from overseas.

Former students are employed as economists in universities and in a wide range of national and international organisations, in government, business and finance.

MRes/PhD Economics Visiting Research Students

Application code: L1U4 (MRes/PhD), L1EC (VRS)

Start date: Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics begins in late August 2016

Duration: MRes: 2 years; PhD: maximum of 4 years; VRS: up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Exceptional grades in a postgraduate degree in economics

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE score. This must be no more than five years old on 1 October 2016 and must show full and percentile scores for all three sections

Fee level: See Tuition fees (see page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MRes/PhD Economics is part of the "Economics" group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). Departmental scholarship funds may be available to UK/EU and overseas applicants unable to obtain external financial support. There are also numerous opportunities to earn support via teaching and research assistantships

Application deadline: 14 December 2015. Selection for funding is also based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents – by this deadline

Opportunities for research

Our Department pioneered the development of systematic research training in economics in Britain and our PhD programme aims for the highest international standard of achievement and professional competence. The intellectual climate created by a substantial number of able and enthusiastic students, along with the input of an encouraging and skilled staff are the most important assets of the programme.

Many research students are associated with the work of one of LSE's research centres. The largest are: the Suntory and Toyota International Centres for Economics and Related Disciplines, with major groups working on development economics, economics of industry, econometrics, economic theory, public finance and public policy; the Centre for Economic Performance, looking at technology and growth, globalisation, labour markets

and financial stability; the Centre for Macroeconomics, with major research programmes to address the key issues of unemployment, fiscal austerity, financial markets, shifts in the world economy and the development of new methodologies; and the Financial Markets Group, specialising in risk management, asset pricing, financial institutions and corporate finance.

During the past two decades, LSE has developed a remarkable record of placing its PhD students in academic positions in the United States, as well as in the best research universities in Europe. A 2005 study by the Université Catholique de Louvain ranked LSE 10th worldwide for placing students in prestigious economics departments.

The Department has educated some of the leaders in their respected fields, such as Orazio Attanasio, Daron Acemoglu and Thomas Piketty.

Structure of the programme

The MRes/PhD programme is offered in one format. Students of the programme will have to complete MRes degree courses and a PhD qualifying course prior to submission of the PhD thesis.

An overview of the programme is given below. Detailed information about the programme, coursework requirements and financial support is available online.

MRes/PhD

Entry to the MRes/PhD Economics programme is normally aimed at students with exceptional grades in a postgraduate degree in economics.

Highly successful graduates of our MSc programmes are able to enter the MRes/PhD Economics programme, subject to the attainment of a distinction grade.

All students are required to attend the Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics.

In the first year of the programme you will take advanced core courses in microeconomics, macroeconomics and econometrics, to equip you with the theoretical knowledge and analytical techniques necessary for research.

In the second year, you will typically take two field courses and write a research paper in your major field. Currently, there are field courses covering: microeconomics, macroeconomics, econometrics, financial markets, and international, labour, public, industrial, political and development economics. From the second year onwards, you will also participate in a Departmental research seminar and a work in progress seminar allied to your research field.

Upon passing the regulations pertaining to upgrading to PhD registration, you are



required to work on your research and write a PhD thesis. In addition you are required to take one further field course.

Applying

Admission to these programmes is highly selective. All applicants must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before 1 October 2016, and must include the test score with their application. Most successful MRes/PhD applicants have scores of 166/800 or more in the quantitative section.

Taught programmes

MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics (see page 75)

MSc Economics (see page 76)

The Department also contributes to:

MSc Economics and Philosophy (see page 164)

MSc Finance and Economics (see page 86)

MSc Economics and Management (see page 136)

MPA Public and Economic Policy (see page 171)

MPA Public Policy and Management (see page 171)

MPA International Development (see page 171)

MPA European Public and Economic Policy (see page 171)

MPA Public and Social Policy (see page 171)

MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics

MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics (two year programme)

lse.ac.uk/grad/eme

Application code: L1UB, L1UT (2 years)

Start date: Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics begins in late August 2016

Duration: One year – 10 months full-time (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information, see page 11). Two year – 22 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 17/466

Minimum entry requirement: One year – first class honours degree or equivalent with strong background in economic theory, econometrics, statistics and mathematics. Two year – first class honours degree or equivalent with strong quantitative background including linear algebra and multivariate calculus. Some coursework in econometrics and economics is desirable (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All students who do not have an undergraduate

degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test. GRE scores must be no more than five years old on 1 October 2016

Fee level: One year UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440; two year (preliminary year only) £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

These MSc programmes are designed to meet the needs of those who wish to take a more mathematical approach to economics. They have proved popular with mathematicians, statisticians, physical scientists and engineers converting to economics, as well as to graduate economists.

You should have a strong background in economic theory, econometrics, statistics and mathematics at a high level in your first degree.

If you do not have the full range of subject background required, you may apply to take the MSc over two years; please see the section below on the two year route.

All students who do not have an undergraduate degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before 1 October 2016, and must include the test scores with their application. We do not require a specific mark but the

test gives us an indication of aptitude for economics. Typically we expect candidates to score over 163/780 in the quantitative section of the test. A higher score will count in your favour, but other information, such as examination results and references will matter more in the overall evaluation. We recognise that if your first language is not English, the verbal test will be more demanding and we view your score on that basis.

An offer of a place on the MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics will include a conditional offer of progression to the MRes/PhD Economics, subject to the attainment of a distinction grade in the MSc.

MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics

Programme details

The structure of the programmes is flexible, and allows you to specialise to some extent in either econometrics or economic theory, or a mixture of the two. The level of the material covered is perhaps higher than for any other master's degree internationally in this area, and the programmes have a long standing international reputation, listing numerous distinguished economists and econometricians among their graduates.

Students are required to attend the September Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics before the main teaching programme starts.

Compulsory courses

Econometric Analysis provides an advanced treatment of the theory of estimation and inference for econometric models.

Advanced Microeconomics has a special emphasis on mathematical methods and provides a firm grounding in classical microeconomic theory as well as its modern development.

Students will be expected to choose a total of two extra units from a range of options.

MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics (two year programme)

Programme details

The preliminary year of the two year route is designed for students with high academic ability but lacking a sufficient background in economics, econometrics, statistics or mathematics. Its purpose is to enable students to develop their skills to the point where they are eligible for progression to the MSc in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics.

The preliminary year consists of the Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics in September 2016, followed by the compulsory courses in Econometric Theory and Microeconomics, and a further course from a choice of: (a) Mathematical Methods, (b) Probability, Distribution Theory and Inference and (c) Economic Theory and its Applications. Students who successfully complete the examinations in the preliminary year will be awarded a Diploma in Econometrics and Mathematical

Economics, and those meeting the required standard will be permitted to proceed to the final year of the programme.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our former students are employed as economists in a wide range of national and international organisations in government, international institutions, business and finance. Approximately one third of students proceed to PhD programmes at LSE or other leading universities.

MSc Economics MSc Economics (two year programme)

lse.ac.uk/grad/econ

Application codes: L1U1, L1U2
(2 years)

Start date: Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics begins in late August 2016

Duration: One year – 10 months full-time (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent

to which they are “recognised”. For more information, see page 11). Two year – 22 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014:
137/1,314

Minimum entry requirement: One year – first class honours with concentration on economics and quantitative subjects and at least a year of university level mathematics (both calculus and linear algebra) and statistics. Two year – a first class honours degree with two semesters of university-level calculus or equivalent (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: One year – all students who do not have an undergraduate economics degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test. Two year – all applicants must submit a GRE score. GRE scores must be no more than five years old on 1 October 2016

Fee level: One year UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440; two year (preliminary year only) £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

MSc Economics

The MSc Economics programme is intended to equip you with the main tools of the professional economist, whether you intend working in government, central banking, international organisations or private sector firms such as economic consultancies. The advanced and technically rigorous nature of the programme also serves as an excellent foundation for PhD programmes and other research-focused roles.

We expect students to have very good examination results, with a first degree in economics (not business studies), with standard courses in intermediate macro and microeconomics and econometrics, and a number of advanced courses that use these as prerequisites. You should have a solid quantitative background with at least university-level mathematics courses in both advanced calculus and linear algebra, as well as courses in statistics and econometrics.

If your first degree is not in economics, you should apply to take the MSc programme over two years.

All students who do not have an undergraduate economics degree from a UK institution must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before 1 October 2016, and must include full and percentile test scores for all three sections with their application. We do not require a specific mark but the test gives us an indication of aptitude for economics. Typically we expect candidates to score at least 161/770 in

the quantitative section of the test. A higher score will count in your favour, but other information, such as examination results and references will also matter in the overall evaluation. We recognise that if your first language is not English, the verbal test will be more demanding and we view your score on that basis.

An offer of a place on the MSc Economics will include a conditional offer of progression to the MRes/PhD Economics, subject to the attainment of a distinction grade in the MSc.

Programme details

The degree concentrates on the core elements of economic theory and econometrics. Although extensive use is made of mathematics, this is intended as a tool in order to facilitate analysis, with the primary objective of the programme being the provision of a formal training in, and in-depth understanding of, core economic models. (If you are interested in a more mathematically demanding programme you should apply for the MSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics.)

To succeed on the programme you need to prove that you can work to a high standard and have excellent analytical ability; the core economics and econometrics courses assume a good knowledge of constrained optimisation, matrix algebra and probability and statistics.

Students are required to attend the September Introductory Course in

Mathematics and Statistics before the main teaching programme starts. The course includes treatment of dynamic programming, continuous time dynamic optimisation, quadratic forms, Kuhn-Tucker theorem, and marginal and conditional probability distributions, amongst other topics.

Compulsory courses

Macroeconomics focuses on core models of growth and business cycle fluctuations, drawing on developments at the frontiers of research.

Either **Microeconomics** focuses on classical theories of consumer and producer behaviour, the theory of competitive equilibrium, models of imperfect competition and information economics, amongst other topics *or* (with permission) **Advanced Microeconomics** which gives more emphasis to mathematical methods following a proof based approach, and provides a firm grounding in classical microeconomic theory as well as a variety of recent developments from behavioural economics and other fields.

Econometrics presents modern, technical tools for empirical analysis in economics, both for cross section, time series and panel data; focusing on the properties of different estimation models, as well as illustrating the use of these techniques in practical problems.

Students will also be expected to choose one full unit course from a range of options or field courses. Please note that not every course is available each

year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

MSc Economics (two year programme)

Programme details

The two year route for the MSc in Economics is designed for students who have a sound quantitative background but lack the necessary knowledge in economic theory and quantitative techniques to be eligible for direct admission to the MSc in Economics.

The preliminary year will give students the opportunity to:

- acquire a solid foundation in economic theory and quantitative techniques
- earn the Diploma in Economics
- progress to the final year of the MSc in Economics, or to other related MSc programmes, subject to performance and programme prerequisites
- prepare for a career as an economist.

To be eligible to apply for the two year route, a student should have a

strong academic qualification with emphasis on quantitative subjects. We give detailed attention to transcripts and look for strength in mathematics and statistics especially.

All applicants must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before 1 October 2016, and must include full and percentile test scores for all three sections with their application. Typically we expect candidates to score at least 161/770 or higher in the quantitative section of the test. We recognise that if your first language is not English, the verbal test will be more demanding and we view your score on that basis.

Students who have not previously studied economics are required first to take LSE Summer School courses in introductory macroeconomics and introductory microeconomics. Alternatively, such students may arrange to take equivalent courses elsewhere, subject to obtaining prior confirmation that the proposed courses are acceptable to us.

The preliminary year consists of examined intermediate level courses to the value of four full units.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Designing a minimum wage to reduce poverty and wage inequality

Research by **Professor Alan Manning** underpinned the design of the UK's National Minimum Wage that reduced poverty and wage inequality without costing jobs.

Compulsory courses

Macroeconomic Principles covers economic growth, consumption, investment, unemployment, business cycles, inflation, monetary and fiscal policy, financial markets and international macroeconomics.

Either **Microeconomic Principles I**, which examines consumer theory, producer theory, strategic choice, general equilibrium and welfare, topics in welfare economics and uncertainty and information or **Microeconomic Principles II**, which is similar to Microeconomic Principles I but assumes students have a greater mathematical facility, permitting greater depth and a number of additional topics to be covered.

Either **Mathematical Methods**, which looks at a range of basic mathematical concepts and methods in calculus of one and several variables and in linear algebra or **Further Mathematical Methods**, which covers calculus and linear algebra.

Either **Introduction to Econometrics**, which examines the essential elements of econometrics or **Principles of Econometrics**, which provides an intermediate-level and somewhat more technical introduction to the theory and practice of econometrics.

Students progressing to the final year of the MSc Economics must attend the Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics in September 2017.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our former students are employed as economists in a wide range of national and international organisations in government, international institutions, business and finance. In recent years, our graduates have gained employment in organisations such as Goldman Sachs, JP Morgan, Bank of America, Credit Suisse, NERA Economic Consulting, PwC, Deloitte, Compass Lexecon, McKinsey, IMF, World Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Bundesbank, Bank of England, and HM Treasury. Approximately one third of students proceed to PhD programmes at LSE or other leading universities. In recent years, our MSc Economics students have placed at MIT, Princeton, Stanford, NYU, Northwestern, Penn, Columbia, Yale, MIT Sloan, UCLA, Wisconsin-Madison, Cornell and many other top PhD programmes around the world.

EUROPEAN INSTITUTE

lse.ac.uk/europeanInstitute

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 165

Research: 18

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 18

REF: 85 per cent of the Institute's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Cowdray House

The European Institute (EI), established in 1991, is internationally recognised as a leader in the study of contemporary Europe. In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF) the Institute was ranked first nationally for research in Area Studies. Student evaluations consistently praise the quality of its teaching and the support which it offers its students. The Institute has an unrivalled programme of public lectures and events on issues facing contemporary Europe, attracting large audiences. It offers a range of lectures and seminars by leading policy practitioners from across Europe, which add an important dimension to its teaching. Its vibrant and well-networked environment offers a unique student experience and a strong launchpad for

future careers. The Institute is a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence.

The EI focuses on the study of processes of integration and fragmentation in contemporary Europe. To this end it has prioritised the following themes: governance and democracy in the European Union; political economy in Europe; European society; and Europe beyond the EU. With its pan-European focus and multidisciplinary perspective, the EI relates each theme to the "Big Questions" facing Europe's decision-makers today. The individual themes also provide the basis for the Institute to work with other parts of the School: the Institute collaborates closely in its teaching with the Departments of Government and International Relations.

There are approximately 25 academic staff members in the European Institute from a range of disciplines, including economic history, geography, political economy, political sociology, international relations, political science, law, philosophy, the history of ideas and social policy.

The Institute hosts a number of research units: The Cañada Blanch Centre for Contemporary Spanish Studies; The Catalan Observatory; The Forum for European Philosophy; The Hellenic Observatory; and LSEE (LSE Research on South East Europe). It also runs ten different seminar series, including a lunchtime seminar series dedicated to doctoral research and an "EU in

Practice” seminar including politicians, senior EU and national officials, analysts and journalists. There are 25 doctoral students. Students supervised by European Institute staff have won the UACES prize for best doctoral thesis three times in recent years.

The Institute also boasts a very lively programme of public lectures, seminars and conferences on issues relating to contemporary Europe. It hosts over 100 events a year with a wide range of high-level speakers from politics and public administration, including the presidents, prime ministers, foreign ministers and finance ministers of many EU Member States; the president of the European Council; the president of the European Parliament; and the president of the European Commission, along with many scholars of international distinction.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Breaking the vicious circle of the Eurozone debt crisis

Research by **Professor Paul De Grauwe** influenced the European Central Bank in its management of the debt crisis that threatened to break up the Eurozone.

MPhil/PhD European Studies Visiting Research Students

Application code: M1ZE (MPhil/PhD), M1EU (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3-4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in related discipline with a distinction in the dissertation

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (see page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD European Studies is part of the Political Science and International Studies group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadlines: 1 June 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds, and all students are advised to aim for the first round if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

Applications for research are welcome in one of the Institute's four broad research themes: governance and democracy in the European Union; political economy in Europe; European society; and Europe beyond the EU. We encourage applications to our MPhil/PhD programme in European Studies from outstanding students who wish to undertake research that falls within the expertise of at least one of our permanent faculty members and within the themes listed above.

Admission to the MPhil/PhD is conditional on obtaining a good merit on a previous MSc degree, normally defined as an overall average of 65 per cent or above and 70 per cent or above on the dissertation (a distinction). Students who have not already taken a master's degree or equivalent will normally be recommended to apply for one of the Institute's own taught masters programmes.

Qualifying students should submit a short research proposal (not more than 2,000 words) outlining their main research question(s), methodology, and sources with their application. This proposal will allow us to assess the strength of the proposed project and the availability of appropriate supervision within the Institute. We also require applicants to submit a sample of marked written work. A short-list of applicants will be invited to attend an interview at the School. Where an interview cannot be conducted in person, Skype interviews can usually

be arranged instead. Applicants should also include a personal statement in their application. At the beginning of this personal statement, applicants need to state which one of the four broad research themes of the European Institute (as mentioned above) their research proposal falls under.

All students are initially registered for the MPhil degree and every student must follow the Research Workshop in European Studies course. Students are required to take at least one research methods course from either the European Institute or a relevant LSE department.

In their second and third years, all PhD students should still follow the Research Workshop in European Studies (optional for the fourth year). In addition, students working in themes of European economy and political economy are required to take the European Political Economy Seminar.

Every student must conduct research under the guidance of their supervisor(s), regularly submit written work to their supervisor(s) and provide the materials required for annual reviews.

The degree is awarded on the basis of a thesis of not more than 100,000 words or a series of three connected publishable articles on an approved topic, and an oral examination.

There are Erasmus doctoral research exchanges with the Central European University, Budapest; and the European University Institute, Florence.

Taught programmes

MSc EU Politics (see page 80)

MSc European Studies: Ideas, Ideologies and Identities (see page 81)

MSc European Studies (Research) (see page 82)

LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in European Studies (see page 207)

MSc Political Economy of Europe (see page 82)

Executive MSc Political Economy of Europe (see page 228)

Other programmes with a focus on Europe, or which (through options) provide an opportunity to study related topics:

MSc Comparative Politics (see page 110)

MSc Economic History (see page 68)

MSc Economic History (Research) (see page 69)

MPA European Public and Economic Policy (see page 171)

MSc History of International Relations (see page 124)

MSc International Relations (see page 128)

LLM (see page 131)

MSc Local Economic Development (see page 105)

MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies (see page 107)

MSc Social Policy (European and Comparative Social Policy (see page 183)

MSc EU Politics

lse.ac.uk/grad/eup

Application code: M1UM

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 64/171

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline, social science preferred (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The programme offers a multidisciplinary analysis of contemporary European Union government, politics and public policy, including its impact on the EU member states and the broader international system. The programme's broad spectrum of courses draws on comparative political science, international relations, European Union law and European political economy and is based across three Departments: the European Institute, Government and International Relations. This allows the programme to cover a wide array of topics taught in more

than fifty courses, and students have the opportunity to draw on the expertise of the largest number of academic experts in European government, politics and public policy to be found anywhere in Europe. The multidisciplinary nature of the programme ensures that, in addition to building extensive and deep knowledge of the EU, students are able to analyse it in a multifaceted way which combines problem-solving detailed empirical knowledge with the latest theoretical perspectives. We teach our students advanced analytical research skills combined with hands-on practical insights into EU politics and policy-making.

We consider applicants with an upper second class honours degrees in any discipline, but prefer applicants with a degree in one of the social sciences.

Programme details

The programme is divided into three main parts: Part I. Foundation: a choice of two out of three courses which provide a basic training in the history and theory of European integration, an introduction to central debates in European Union politics and government, and analyses of the EU in the World. Part II. Specialisation: where students can choose courses from a range of specialist clusters, including – but not limited to – policy-making and public policy in the European Union; democracy and representation; state and economy; ideas of Europe; regional and domestic politics in Europe; and the international relations of Europe. Students may choose their optional courses in accordance

with the requirements laid out in the programme regulations to qualify for a degree specialisation within one of the programme's course clusters. Part III. Dissertation: a 10,000 word essay on an advanced topic of relevance to the programme. Additionally, all students must take Research Methods and Design in EU Politics to prepare for the dissertation, and are recommended to attend European Union: Contemporary Issues – a programme of guest lectures from distinguished external speakers, including policy-makers, journalists and analysts from think tanks and business. Students can expect an average of 180 hours of teaching.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Dissertation

Students must choose two out of the following three courses:

History and Theory of European Integration* examines the causes and nature of European Integration.

Policy-Making in the European Union* provides a detailed knowledge of how national and EU institutions interact in European policymaking.

The EU in the World covers the development of the external activities of the European communities since 1957, including the development of European political cooperation and the Common Foreign and Security Policy.

Optional courses

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half/two units (depending on compulsory course selections) from a range of options.

Cluster 1: Policy Making and Public Policy in the European Union

Cluster 2: Integration and Forms of Governance in the European Union

Cluster 3: Democracy and Representation in the European Union

Cluster 4: State and Economy within the European Union

Cluster 5: Ideas of Europe

Cluster 6: Regional and Domestic Politics in Europe

Cluster 7: The International Relations of Europe

Cluster 8: Methods

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is ideal for those considering a career that deals with European and global issues. The programme is an excellent preparation for further research work. Former graduates pursue successful careers in EU institutions, national governments, business, politics, academia, journalism and non-governmental organisations. LSE maintains excellent links with leading centres for the academic study of contemporary Europe and with the EU and national institutions.

MSc European Studies: Ideas, Ideologies and Identities

lse.ac.uk/grad/esiii

Application code: L2E2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/application in 2014: 22/90

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirements: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The programme provides a philosophically and historically grounded, multidisciplinary analysis of Europe as a social, political and cultural space, led by teachers of academic distinction, with experience of policy-making in Europe. In the degree students will explore the increasingly important public debate on the meaning and limits of “Europe”; the relationship between civil society and the state in Europe; the relevance of a transnational sociology; the domestic impact of the European Union for citizenship and identity; and the cultural and policy implications of national and ethnic diversity and migration.

Applicants for the programme should have at least an upper second class honours degree or equivalent in any discipline.

Programme details

Students take three units (typically composed of six half unit courses or a combination of full and half unit courses) and write a 10,000 word dissertation on an approved topic. In addition, all students must take a course on Interdisciplinary Research Methods and Design to prepare for their written work. Students must also attend European Union: Contemporary Issues – a programme of guest lectures from distinguished outside speakers, including policy-makers. Students can expect an average of 180 hours of teaching.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

The Idea of Europe* explores some key ideas in the developing movement of a distinctively European self-understanding and identity.

Either Democracy, Ideology and the European State* which investigates various ways in which the State’s authority to act – its legitimacy, in brief – has been underpinned in Europe, both ideologically and institutionally, in the modern period; **or Identity, Community and the “Problem of Minorities”*** which investigates the politics and policy issues arising from what we might conveniently term the “problem of minorities” in contemporary politics.

Dissertation

Students choose two further units from a range of half and full unit options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Former graduates pursue successful careers in politics, journalism, research, diplomacy, business and in international institutions and NGOs. Students from our programmes are actively head-hunted by international organisations working in the region.

MSc European Studies (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/esres

Application codes: M1UZ

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/application in 2014: 2/15

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 degree in any of the social sciences, including contemporary history and international relations (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc European Studies (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016 – we cannot guarantee that applications received after this date will be considered. For consideration for ESRC funding the application must be received by 11 January 2016

The programme prepares students for the methodologically and historically grounded, multidisciplinary analysis of Europe as a political, economic and cultural space. It also analyses European integration and the

post-communist transformation process. The programme is driven by teachers of academic distinction, with experience of policy-making in Europe.

Applicants for the MSc European Studies (Research) should have an upper second class or first class honours degree in any of the social sciences, including contemporary history and international relations.

Programme details

In the MSc European Studies (Research) programme, students combine specialist courses from MSc EU Politics, MSc Political Economy of Europe or MSc European Studies: Ideas and Identities together with intensive research design and methods training. Students take four courses, including two courses from the MSc Political Economy of Europe, MSc EU Politics or MSc European Studies: Ideas and Identities; a specialist introductory course to quantitative and qualitative methods; and a 10,000 word dissertation on an approved topic. Students must also attend European Union: Contemporary Issues – a programme of guest lectures from distinguished outside speakers, including business leaders and policy-makers. Students can expect an average of 180 hours of teaching.

Students who have successfully completed the MSc European Studies (Research) will be well placed to apply for admission into competitive doctoral programmes in the UK and elsewhere. For those students looking to pursue doctoral research at the European Institute, the MSc European Studies (Research) offers an excellent

opportunity to get to know potential PhD supervisors prior to application for the MPhil/PhD in European Studies. Admission into the doctoral programme at the European Institute is conditional on obtaining a good merit in your master's degree, normally defined as an average of 65 per cent or above, and normally a distinction (70 per cent or above) in the dissertation; and is conditional on the availability of a suitable supervisor.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Foundations of Social Research 1 or **Foundations of Social Research 2** are designed to give a good introduction to quantitative and qualitative methods.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose a total of two full units from a range of options from the European Institute MSc degrees.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Former graduates pursue successful careers in academia, politics, journalism, diplomacy, business and in international financial institutions. Students from this programme are actively head hunted by companies and international organisations working in the region.

MSc Political Economy of Europe

lse.ac.uk/grad/pdee

Application code: L2EU

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/application in 2014: 73/211

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any of the social sciences, including contemporary history and international relations (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The programme provides a historically grounded, multi-disciplinary analysis of European integration and national transformation processes, by teachers with experience of policy-making in Europe. Students focus on the main concepts of political economy relevant to the process of European integration and reform, and on major empirical trends in the economic and political development of contemporary Europe. The focus is on aspects of European integration on the one hand, such as economic governance, interest

representation, decision-making, and policy processes of deepening and widening. On the other hand, the programme examines public policy-making in European countries through the lens of an evolving state-market relationship, for instance in the tension between democracy and capitalism, welfare states and their reform, market regulation, austerity and development, or policy convergence under the influence of market integration.

The programme benefits from one of the most extensive series of public events on European issues globally, organised throughout the year by members of the European Institute.

Applicants for the MSc Political Economy of Europe should have an upper second class or first class honours degree in any of the social sciences, including politics, economics, European studies, international relations and contemporary history.

Programme details

Students take one compulsory course (full unit, spread over two terms) and optional courses to the value of two units, plus a compulsory dissertation. Students can choose from specialist courses in aspects of political economy; the EU; European identity; and courses with a more geographical focus. In addition, all students must take Interdisciplinary Research Methods and Design to prepare for the dissertation and must also attend European Union: Contemporary Issues – a programme of guest lectures from distinguished outside speakers, including business leaders and policy makers. Students can expect an average of 180 hours of teaching.

Compulsory courses

Political Economy of Europe tries to understand how the relation between state and economy in both Western Europe and Central and Eastern Europe has evolved over the post-war period, placing particular emphasis on the political, economic and institutional arrangements embodied in the creation and continuous development of the European Union.

Dissertation students are required to write a 10,000-word dissertation on a topic broadly related to the political

economy of Europe. Students receive guidance and supervision during three teaching terms and are expected to write their dissertation during the summer.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Former graduates pursue successful careers in politics, business, diplomacy, consultancy, journalism, and in international organisations and financial institutions. Students from this programme are actively head hunted by companies and international organisations working in the region.

LSE is an incredible institution. During the programme I've had the opportunity to explore relevant issues that are currently debated among economists and policy makers: the fragility of the economic and monetary union; the changing nature of European welfare states; and the need for European social policy to address new challenges.

The most important skill I've acquired during this experience is to formulate solid arguments grounded on data and economical reasoning. I have a quantitative background and this programme has taught me how difficult it is to take the decision to implement a particular social policy, as it impacts on real people.

Michelangelo Bruno
Copenhagen, Denmark
MPhil/PhD in Philosophy



FINANCE

lse.ac.uk/finance

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 257

Research: 25

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 35

REF: 86 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Old Building

The Department of Finance is devoted to excellence in teaching and research in the full range of subfields of finance including corporate finance, asset pricing theory, risk management, empirical analysis of capital markets, behavioural finance, portfolio analysis, derivatives pricing, microstructure and financial econometrics. The Department has grown in recent years to become one of the largest and most highly regarded finance

groups in the UK and Europe. It is closely associated with LSE's Financial Markets Group, the Paul Woolley Centre for the Study of Capital Market Dysfunctionality and the Systemic Risk Centre, which regularly host a wide variety of seminars, conferences and public addresses by leading academics and practitioners. With over 250 graduate students selected from a pool of top applicants worldwide, a faculty recruited from the best departments internationally, and a steady flow of distinguished visitors, we have a stimulating environment for research and learning that is on a par with the best worldwide.

LSE's reputation with employers opens up a broad range of career opportunities. The critical and analytical skills you will develop are attractive to investment banks, commercial banks, fund managers and the financial services sector generally as well as in management consulting. A number of graduates continue with further graduate study or take up top academic appointments.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Helping regulators prevent the next financial crash

Groundbreaking research by **LSE academic staff** has influenced the design of the new regulations aimed at preventing a repeat of the recent global financial crisis.

MRes/PhD Finance Visiting Research Students

Application code: N4ZC, N3EA (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MRes/PhD MRes 1-2 years, PhD 3-4 years, VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in finance or economics, or any subject with a strong quantitative component (such as mathematics, statistics or engineering)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT test score. GRE is preferred

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Finance is part of the "Economics" group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). Departmental doctoral scholarships may also be available to applicants from the UK/EU and overseas

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are

advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The Department has a formally structured MRes/PhD Finance programme which aims to produce students whose research is of the highest international quality, and is designed to provide a broad-based training in theoretical and empirical research methods in finance. You should have a substantial academic background in finance or economics, typically at master's level. Satisfactory performance in the LSE MSc Finance and Economics and MSc Finance and Economics (Research) may meet the entrance requirements.

A PhD in Finance from LSE consists of six coursework units, largely completed over two years, followed by a thesis which is usually expected to take a further three years. There are two routes by which the coursework requirement can be completed; the two-year Track One, for students coming from relevant master's degree programmes or one-year Track Two, for those students who have already completed the MSc Finance and Economics or MSc Finance and Economics (Research) programmes at LSE, or equivalent elsewhere.

During their first year, Track One students take courses in Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Macroeconomics and Advanced

Financial Econometrics to build their core knowledge in these areas. This is followed in the second year by courses in Corporate Finance and Asset pricing in addition to completing a research paper. In the one-year Track Two MRes, students take courses in Advanced Microeconomics, Corporate Finance and Asset Pricing in addition to completing a research paper. Both Track One and Track Two students attend a PhD seminar in Finance throughout their MRes/ PhD studies.

To progress at the end of each year, students in both tracks must pass their examined courses at grades specified by the Department and make satisfactory progress in their research. Progress is regularly monitored by the Department's Postgraduate Assessment Review Panel.

We encourage our research students to participate fully in the intellectual life of the Department, and in the research seminar and workshop programmes of the Department and related research centres such as the Financial Markets Group (FMG). The weekly Capital Markets Workshops provide exposure to the work of leading academics from the UK and overseas. In addition, the FMG hosts a number of conferences each year with leading researchers and practitioners.

Taught programmes

MSc Finance (full-time) programme (see page 85)

MSc Finance (part-time) evening programme (see page 220)

MSc Finance and Economics (see page 86)

MSc Finance and Economics (Research) (see page 86)

MSc Finance and Private Equity (see page 88)

MSc Risk and Finance (see page 89)

MSc Accounting and Finance (joint degree with Department of Accounting) (see page 54)

Diploma in Accounting and Finance (joint degree with Department of Accounting) (see page 53)

MSc Finance (full-time)

lse.ac.uk/grad/fft

Application code: N3UA

Start date: Pre-sessional course begins September 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time only (including pre-sessional) (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11).

Intake/applications in 2014: 93/1,628

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline and good quantitative skills, at least to A level Mathematics (or the equivalent) (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: GMAT or GRE is required for all students without a UK undergraduate degree (GMAT is strongly preferred). The GMAT is recommended for all students with UK undergraduate degrees, especially those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies, or are not expected to achieve a first class degree

Fee level: £31,608

Deposit: Offer holders will be required to pay a deposit of £2,500 within four weeks of receiving their offer to secure a place on the programme

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Finance (full-time) programme is one of the world's leading generalist finance master's degrees. Predominantly aimed at pre-experience students, the programme has been designed to meet the needs of high-level graduates from fields not specifically related to finance, whose career objectives lie broadly within the financial services sector. The programme benefits from teaching by the Department's leading faculty in a range of innovative and cutting edge courses, which are available to MSc Finance and MSc Finance and Private Equity students only.

The programme is designed for students whose academic background is not necessarily in finance; however it is aimed at people with good undergraduate degrees and good quantitative skills. Admission to the programme is very competitive. In previous years, the majority of students accepted into the programme have obtained first class honours degrees or the equivalent. The mathematics used in the programme includes basic calculus and statistics.

Applicants are required to have studied a minimum of A-level Mathematics (or its equivalent). Applicants without a UK undergraduate degree are required to submit a GMAT or GRE test (GMAT is strongly preferred). The GMAT/GRE is also recommended for all students with UK undergraduate degrees, especially those who have not achieved, or are not expected to achieve a first class honours degree, or those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies. Prior work experience is not necessarily a pre-requisite for entry into the programme.

Programme details

The MSc Finance (full-time) programme follows the same syllabus as that of the MSc Finance (part-time) evening programme, which is focused towards professionals currently working in London's financial services sector. Both modes of the MSc Finance programme allow students access to a number of specifically designed applied courses, taught in part using case studies, and

the opportunity to gain deeper practical insight and links to the City. Students on the full-time programme have the opportunity to meet and network with the MSc Finance (part-time) students at a number of occasions throughout the year.

The foundation of the programme is built in the first term with the study of two core courses – Asset Markets and Corporate Finance. Asset Markets takes the student from fundamental concepts to up to date applications in fixed-income, equity, and derivatives markets. Corporate Finance begins with the firm's investment decision and the cost of capital. This in turn is linked to the firm's financial structure and market environment where the firm operates. It studies in detail major financial decisions including dividend choice, going public, mergers and acquisitions, and restructuring in financial distress. In the second term, students deepen their knowledge by taking four optional half unit courses, on topics such as financial systems, risk management, portfolio management methods, advanced derivatives and structured financial products, fixed income, advanced corporate finance, and applied financial valuation. Students will also be required to write an extended essay in the place of an exam in one of the four optional courses.

Admitted students are required to attend a pre-session course which includes quantitative methods for finance, interpreting financial statements and an in-depth focus on careers skills and professional development, on a one-to-one,

group and peer lead basis. Throughout the programme, students are given access to a range of practitioners; in class, via the programme's vibrant alumni network and more widely through the LSE Careers Service and events programme.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Corporate Finance provides a comprehensive overview of firms' financial decision-making.

Asset Markets familiarises students with the workings of financial markets, and equips them with the fundamental tools of asset valuation.

Students take four half unit electives:

Corporate Investment and Financial Policy

Financial Engineering

Fixed Income Securities and Credit Markets

International Finance

Mergers, Buyouts and Corporate Restructurings

Risk Management in Financial Markets

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Many of our graduates look to join Analyst programmes at major investment banks. Other students have joined consultancies, boutique firms, hedge funds, asset management firms, start-ups or have gone on to further study. This programme is not intended as suitable preparation for the PhD Finance at LSE (if you are interested in PhD study, please see MSc Finance and Economics).

MSc Finance and Economics MSc Finance and Economics (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/fe

Application code: LN43 – All applications are considered for MSc Finance and Economics. Students who wish to apply for the Research track will be considered for a transfer once they arrive at LSE

Start date: The mandatory pre-session course starts in late August 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time only (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 57/1,170

Minimum entry requirement:

an upper second class honours degree from a UK university or international equivalent in a quantitative subject such as economics, maths, physics, engineering, finance or business. Candidates' training must include at least a year of calculus and a semester of linear algebra (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT test score

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Finance and Economics (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award. To be considered for ESRC funding, applications must be received by 11 January 2016

Application deadline: None rolling admissions

The MSc Finance and Economics is an interdisciplinary degree taught jointly by the Department of Finance and the Department of Economics, allowing students to study in two of the most highly rated departments in their subject areas in the world. The programme draws on the School's strengths in economics, finance and econometrics to impart a

rigorous and deep understanding of financial markets, grounded in financial economics and econometric methods.

Students who are interested in doctoral research will have the opportunity to transfer to the MSc Finance and Economics (Research) programme once they complete the introductory August course. All applications must be made to the MSc Finance and Economics programme in the first instance as entry to the Research programme is only considered once students are registered at LSE.

Applicants for the MSc Finance and Economics should have a strong undergraduate training in quantitative subjects such as economics, maths, physics, engineering, finance or business. Candidates' training must include at least a year of calculus and a term of linear algebra. Where appropriate, applicants may be asked to take a background microeconomics or econometrics course at the LSE Summer School as a condition of admission.

Minimum entry requirements are an upper second class honours degree from a UK university, or the international equivalent. All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT test score with their application. Test scores must show a strong performance in the quantitative segment (above the 85th percentile). Decisions will not normally be made in the absence of this test result. Please see page 40 for more information. Applicants to the MSc programme may be exempted from submitting GRE/GMAT scores only in exceptional circumstances.

Where this is the case, applicants should complete and submit the online GMAT/GRE waiver form on the Graduate Admissions website. Candidates are advised that requests for a waiver of this test are very seldom granted.

Programme details

The programme enables students to examine the financial markets through in-depth analysis based on financial economics and statistical methods. Students will learn about investments, asset pricing, derivatives, portfolio management and corporate finance through the coherent lens of financial economics. The programme provides a thorough exposure to econometric methods, including time series analysis, with applications to financial models and data. The core courses emphasise analytical rigour and technical foundations, in addition to application of the theory and practical market knowledge. Through the extensive array of optional courses students will be able to deepen their knowledge in specific areas of interest.

Students are required to attend the introductory course in Mathematics and Statistics, which reviews topics such as matrix algebra, multivariate calculus and differential equations. Throughout the Michaelmas term, students will also be required to take a course in Probability and Stochastic Calculus. On completion of the programme, students will take examined courses to the value of four full units, one of which will include writing a dissertation as part of the assessment.

A more detailed description of the programme and its courses, including a comparison with other finance-related MSc programmes at LSE, can be found on the Department of Finance website.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Microeconomics develops the basic tools for analysing problems of resource allocation used by economists working in research, government and business.

Financial Economics examines investors' behaviour, market equilibrium, and asset pricing.

Financial Econometrics looks at the techniques of empirical investigation in economics and finance.

Students choose two courses to the value of one full unit from the following list of half unit options:

Applied Corporate Finance*

Risk Management in Financial Markets*

Financial Engineering*

Fixed Income Markets*

Forecasting Financial Time Series*

Portfolio Management*

International Finance*

Global Financial System*

Mergers, Buyouts and Corporate Restructurings*

Quantitative Methods for Finance and Risk Analysis*

To fulfil the programme requirements, students must also complete a dissertation of 6,000 words on an agreed topic in one of the optional half unit courses, and take an examination in the other.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convener and/or may be subject to space.

About the research programme

The MSc Finance and Economics (Research) programme gives students the opportunity to take more advanced courses in microeconomics and econometrics, which will be more suited to those who plan to undertake doctoral research in the field. Students interested in the Research track should apply for MSc Finance and Economics as usual, however once they are registered at LSE and have completed the introductory August course they will have the opportunity to be considered for a transfer onto the Research programme. This transfer will depend upon the student being accepted into the advanced microeconomics and the advanced econometrics courses by their respective course leaders. The programme management team will provide advice and guidance on the decision.

Compulsory courses

Advanced Microeconomics introduces and develops the analytical tools of graduate level Microeconomics with a special emphasis on mathematical models and provides a firm grounding in classical Microeconomic Theory as well as its modern development.

Financial Economics examines investors' behaviour, market equilibrium, and asset pricing.

Financial Econometrics for Research Students focuses on the advanced econometric techniques used at the research frontier of economics and finance.

Plus choose two of the half unit optional courses listed above or from other departments depending on relevance and subject to permission from the Academic Director. Students must also complete a dissertation of 10,000 words on an agreed topic in one of the optional half unit courses, and take an examination in the other.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The MSc Finance and Economics is an ideal preparation for a variety of careers in the global financial services sector, with the emphasis on financial economics being particularly attractive to investment banks, the financial services sector more generally and to consulting firms. The programme (the Research track in particular) also provides a rigorous training and preparation for doctoral research in the area.

MSc Finance and Private Equity

lse.ac.uk/grad/fpe

Application code: N3UB

Start date: Pre-sessional course begins September 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time only (including pre-sessional) (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 60/694

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline and good quantitative skills, at least a A level Mathematics (or the equivalent) (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: GMAT or GRE is required for all students without a UK undergraduate degree (GMAT is strongly preferred). The

GMAT is recommended for all students with UK undergraduate degrees, especially those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies, or are not expected to achieve a first class degree

Fee level: £31,608

Deposit: Offer holders will be required to pay a deposit of £2,500 within four weeks of receiving their offer to secure a place on the programme

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Finance and Private Equity programme at LSE is the world's only finance master's degree with an integrated specialisation in the study of Private Equity. This unique programme offers students unparalleled access to leading Private Equity researchers (from both LSE and other institutions) and practitioners who have actively participated in the deals that are being studied. Supported by The Abraaj Group, the programme has been designed to meet the needs of high-level graduates from a range of backgrounds, whose career objectives lie broadly within the field of private equity. The programme follows the core structure of the MSc Finance (full-time) programme, with a compulsory dedicated core course in private equity taught in the second

term (restricted to MSc Finance and Private Equity students only). The programme benefits from teaching by the Department's leading faculty in a range of innovative and cutting-edge courses.

The programme is designed for students whose academic background is not necessarily in finance; however it is aimed at people with good undergraduate degrees and good quantitative skills. Admission to the programme is very competitive. In previous years the majority of students accepted into the programme obtained first class honours degrees or the equivalent. The mathematics used in the programme includes basic calculus and statistics.

Applicants are also required to have studied a minimum of A level Mathematics (or its equivalent). Applicants without a UK undergraduate degree and students with UK undergraduate degrees who do not have, or are not expected to achieve, a first class degree are required to submit a GMAT or GRE test (GMAT is strongly preferred). The GMAT/GRE is also recommended for all students with UK undergraduate degrees, especially those whose quantitative skills are not demonstrated by their undergraduate studies. Prior work experience is not necessarily a pre-requisite for entry into the programme.

Programme details

The foundation of the programme is built in the first term with the study of two core courses – Asset Markets and Corporate Finance. Asset Markets

takes the student from fundamental concepts to up-to-date applications in fixed-income, equity, and derivatives markets. Corporate Finance begins with the firm's investment decision and the cost of capital. This in turn is linked to the firm's financial structure and market environment where the firm operates. It studies in detail major financial decisions including dividend choice, going public, mergers and acquisitions, and restructuring in financial distress.

In the second term, students deepen their specific knowledge of private equity by taking a dedicated course taught by the School's Abraaj Group Chair in Finance and Private Equity. This will explore the structure of private equity (PE) funds and how PE can be used in start-ups, in scaling-up cash flow businesses, and in restructuring firms facing financial distress. It explores the link between PE and venture capital on the one hand and public securities markets on the other. This course involves a number of case studies and is taught in conjunction with a range of practitioners in the field via a weekly additional PE practitioner seminar.

Admitted students are required to attend a pre-session course in September which includes quantitative methods for finance, interpreting financial statements and an in-depth focus on careers skills and professional development, on a one-to-one, group and peer-led basis. Throughout the programme students are given access to a range of practitioners; in

class, via the programme's vibrant alumni network and more widely through the LSE Careers Service and events programme.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Corporate Finance provides a comprehensive overview of firms' financial decision-making.

Asset Markets familiarises students with the workings of financial markets, and equips them with the fundamental tools of asset valuation.

Private Equity* provides a thorough grounding in the theory and recent developments in the field of private equity.

Students take three half unit courses from the following electives:

Corporate Investment and Financial Policy

Financial Engineering

Fixed Income Securities and Credit Markets

International Finance

Mergers, Buyouts and Corporate Restructurings

Risk Management in Financial Markets

All students must write a 6,000 word extended essay on a topic relating to private equity.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

A significant proportion of graduates join either investment banks or boutique corporate finance firms as analysts as a first step in their careers into the world of private equity, however, some have been hired directly upon graduation by private equity or venture capital firms. Following a similar structure to the generalist MSc Finance, the programme also prepares students for various roles in investment banks, consultancies, hedge funds and asset management firms, or to pursue further study. In addition, having met on the programme, students have worked together on entrepreneurial ventures and start-ups.

This programme is not intended as suitable preparation for the PhD Finance at LSE (if you are interested in PhD study, please see MSc Finance and Economics).

MSc Risk and Finance

lse.ac.uk/grad/rf

Application code: N4U3

Start date: Pre-session course begins September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 47/958

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 degree in any subject, however should include some mathematics and statistics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Applicants without UK undergraduate degrees are required to submit GMAT or GRE score (GMAT is strongly preferred). For applicants with a UK undergraduate degree, submission of GMAT (or, exceptionally, GRE) score is recommended, but not mandatory

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; Overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The success of organisations depends upon their ability to operate in the face of risk. The growing awareness of these problems has meant that risk management is now recognised as

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LSE's Department of Finance is one of the largest and most reputable finance departments in the world. LSE is also advantageously located in the centre of London, one of the world's leading financial centres, so it's a great place to be pursuing my degree.

The MSc Risk and Finance is a truly unique multidisciplinary programme. I particularly appreciate that it offers a healthy mix of the latest academic research and industry best practices, which allows me to develop a big picture view of the global financial markets.

LSE offers limitless opportunities to grow both professionally and personally. The facilities are superb and there is a fantastic choice of societies and clubs.

LSE also has a great reputation with employers. Thanks to the extensive career support here, I was successful in landing a job at an investment bank focused on technology-driven growth companies. I look forward to building my career in finance and becoming a person that makes LSE proud.



requiring special skills that are central to the functioning of the organisation.

There is a long tradition of quantifying and measuring certain risks such as life expectancies or accidents. Recently, important advances have been made towards developing similar quantitative tools for newer areas such as financial markets and the environment. At the same time, other social science disciplines have produced important insights into how more complex risks are perceived, and how social organisations can adjust to regulate and share them.

This MSc programme is designed to provide a comprehensive view of risk perception, management and control as encountered in a wide variety of contexts. It addresses such questions as: What are the appropriate ways to measure and assess risk? How does the organisation of enterprises, governments or markets increase or decrease risk? What are the techniques for risk shifting in markets, firms or societies? What are the tools available to managers and regulators for controlling risks?

The design of the programme will allow students with prior training in diverse disciplines and with a range of professional backgrounds to acquire a broad knowledge of risk management and regulation, and to deepen their competency in a chosen area of specialisation.

You will need at least an upper second class honours degree from a UK

university, or its equivalent. We assume that applicants will have some knowledge of mathematics and statistics. Interesting applicants with weak backgrounds in this regard will be required to take an LSE Summer School course. If your degree is not from a UK university, you must submit a GMAT test score with your application. Decisions will not normally be made in the absence of this test result. We generally look for a GMAT score of over 650; exceptionally we will consider a GRE score of over 700/155. Conditional offers may be made in the absence of a final test score. If you are a graduate from a UK university, you should note that you may be asked to take either a GRE or GMAT test.

Programme details

This is an interdepartmental programme which is administered through the Department of Finance.

Key features of the programme include:

- Teaching by internationally renowned faculty from several departments and with practitioners expert in the area.
- Multidisciplinary exposure to different approaches to risk, its management and regulation through teaching and your own independent study.
- The possibility of an optional internship at a leading bank to gain hands-on risk management experience.

- An opportunity for students with prior training in diverse disciplines and with a range of professional backgrounds to acquire knowledge on risk management and regulation, and to deepen their competency in a chosen area of specialisation.
- Wide-ranging coverage of topics in the area combined with a rigorous, in depth exploration of others.

Compulsory courses

(*half unit)

Management and Regulation of Risk is designed to expose students to the breadth of risk management thinking and approaches across different areas.

Either **Asset Markets A*** explores the fundamental concepts and tools underlying the asset markets side of modern finance or **Corporate Finance A*** covers range of topics in corporate finance or **Finance I*** is a first course in financial analysis for students with a basic knowledge of management or another quantitative Finance course with the permission of the programme director.

Students choose courses to the value of two and a half units from a very wide range of options offered by the Departments of Accounting, Finance, Geography and Environment, Law and Management. The choice of electives offers students significant flexibility to tailor their degree to their academic and

professional interests including both quantitative and qualitative courses.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme equips students for career opportunities in: consulting, finance and banking, insurance, management, regulation and supervision, public administration. This programme is not intended as suitable preparation for the PhD Finance at LSE (if you are interested in PhD study, please see MSc Finance and Economics).

GENDER

lse.ac.uk/genderInstitute

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 86

Research: 15

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 10

Location: Columbia House

The Gender Institute was established in 1993 to address the major intellectual challenges posed by contemporary changes in gender relations.

The Institute's graduate students come from all corners of the globe and enter gender studies from a diverse range of disciplinary backgrounds, including literature, politics, political economy and development studies. This range of backgrounds is also reflected in the faculty of the Institute, who come from geography, development, economics, English and French literature, political theory, law, cultural studies, sociology and social policy. We run a large master's programme, with five separate degrees, and a PhD programme. Each programme is characterised by its interdisciplinary and transnational approach to gender studies, and both students and staff work exceptionally hard to maintain this two-pronged direction to maintain a creative, distinctive and innovative edge.

The combined master's degrees welcome 85 students annually, and the PhD programme has around 15 students at a given time.

The Institute is unique in bringing together approaches from the social sciences and humanities to address key problems in gender studies transnationally. We provide a leading role internationally in combining innovative theory and epistemology with policy concerns. Our research-led approach results in a vibrant research environment and a unique teaching programme that prepares students for various careers within and outside of academia. We train the largest number of graduates qualifying in gender studies anywhere in Europe and run a series of high-profile events including public lectures, workshops and conferences. We also host international scholars through our Visitors Programme who are integrated into the life of the Institute.

The Gender Institute encourages active learning and full student participation in the classes we teach. Students are introduced to a variety of teaching modes including formal lectures, seminars, workshops, integrated lectures and seminars, and student-led facilitation seminars and conferences. Seminars may also incorporate individual and group presentations. All our teaching modes are complemented by one-to-one contact with course tutors and conveners in office hours and for dissertation supervision.

MPhil/PhD Gender Visiting Research Students

Application code: Y2ZG (MPhil/PhD) Y2TA (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016 (MPhil/PhD)

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Taught master's degree with a high merit or equivalent overall (65+), usually including a distinction in the dissertation (70+), in a related discipline

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Gender is part of the Social Policy group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). The Gender Institute is able to offer at least one PhD studentship per year

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first round if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and

27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The research work of the Gender Institute is critical, transnational, and interdisciplinary. Our research is variously positioned in relation to different fields of study within the social sciences and humanities, but in each case, the focus on gender means testing conventional disciplinary boundaries and developing alternative methodologies. All the research addresses, in some way, the tenacity of gender power relations and gendered inequalities in a period of global transformation. Our research falls under four broad strands, and we work both independently and collaboratively within and across these themes:

Bodies and sexualities: Research in this field includes analysis of the body as property, and body as commodity, and what, if anything, makes the body special. It also addresses the relationship between gender and sexuality, with an emphasis on local and transnational spaces and flows.

Gender and social policy: Using a gendered perspective, research in this theme documents social, economic and political change, and critically analyses individual, family, and policy responses, using both cross-national comparative methodologies and in-depth case studies.

Globalisation, development

and inequalities: Research in this theme analyses social and economic transformation in the global north and south, focusing on gendered relations, rights, citizenship, social justice and change with respect to work, security, migration, poverty and the social reproduction of daily life.

Representation, narrative and culture:

This theme brings together colleagues who work on gendered representations in film, literature and theory. This work addresses ageing and subjectivity, classed dimensions of narrative, and the history of feminist theory.

PhD applications are welcome in any of the above areas; for more detailed indication of staff research interests, please look at the Institute website.

Research students are a core part of the research culture at the Gender Institute, and their PhD programme is tailored both to individual and to general needs, including methodology training and engagement in professional academic life. All research students at the Institute receive core training in their first year to prepare them for their research and writing, and ongoing training across the period of their studies in and outside the Institute. The aim is to enable students to complete a PhD thesis within a maximum of four years, or an MPhil thesis in two years.

Admissions

PhD students will be accepted on the basis of the strength of their thesis/

project proposal, a writing sample, their motivation and their prior academic achievement. All shortlisted students are interviewed. The availability of appropriate supervision is a key issue when making an offer of admission and this is addressed by the Institute when considering the formal application.

PhD programme workshops

All PhD students attend fortnightly PhD workshops from the start of their time at the Institute, which focus on student work in progress. These meetings provide students with continuity across their time at the Institute, build expertise in presenting and evaluating their own and other people's work, and confidence in editing and revising drafts of their writing. They also generate a sense of a shared project and cohort identity, particularly since students are encouraged to focus on common problems such as methodological or design challenges as well as textual issues.

Compulsory courses

Students take compulsory courses in gender theories and a compulsory course in epistemology and methodology in their first year to build theory and research practice skills. These courses introduce students to the range of theoretical frameworks available to gender studies experts, and ask what it means to use theory to explore key debates and problems rather than approaching theory in an abstract way. The theory course proves invaluable in training students to

think about how theory travels and what it means to take a particular position in theoretical debate. Both courses allow students to think creatively about the “how to” of research, not just in relation to their own project but as a central feature of all research. First year PhD students must attend all gender theories lectures and the whole of the epistemology and methodology course (including seminars and workshops).

Progression

First year students will be formally reviewed towards the end of their first year when the Institute makes the decision on whether to upgrade a student from the MPhil to the PhD programme. The upgrade review includes the submission of written work together with an oral discussion of the research project. Students are required to submit: (i) a draft chapter of 8,000 to 10,000 words (eg, literature review, theoretical approach, substantive analysis of research themes); (ii) a research design document of four-five pages outlining the research rationale, research question and objectives, and the methodological and/or theoretical issues relevant to the research; (iii) a two page chapter outline of the thesis with an indication of chapter contents; and (iv) a timeline for completion. The upgrade review is conducted by a panel which will normally include a doctoral programme director, the supervisor and advisor, or one other academic. The upgrade to PhD registration normally takes place in weeks four-six of the Summer term.

Subsequently, students are reviewed annually with an especially important review at the end of third year to ensure timely completion.

Taught programmes

MSc Gender (see page 93)

MSc Gender (Research) (see page 93)

MSc Gender, Development and Globalisation (see page 94)

MSc Gender, Media and Culture (see page 96)

MSc Gender, Policy and Inequalities (see page 97)

MSc Gender MSc Gender (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/gen

Application codes: Y2U8
(Y2U4 Research)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 11/76

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 in social science or humanities
(see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Gender (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions but recommended to apply before end of June. 11 January 2016 for ESRC funding

The MSc Gender (Research) degree combines a thorough grounding in contemporary theories of gender with advanced training in quantitative and qualitative research methodologies. You will be located in the Gender Institute and take one or two units in LSE's Department of Methodology, which is a base for cross-disciplinary research and teaching in the broad area of social science methodology.

The MSc Gender degree allows students flexibility to choose options up to the value of one and a half units from a wide range of courses (students may only take options up to the value of one full unit outside the Institute).

MSc Gender (Research) enables you to combine courses in gender with a rigorous training in quantitative and qualitative research methods.

For both these degrees, you should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science or humanities subject.

All students follow at least two core courses and also complete a 10,000 word dissertation.

MSc Gender

Programme details

This is the most flexible degree the Institute offers. In addition to the core courses of the degree, students are able to choose from the fullest range of options in order to develop their own gender studies pathway, or focus on key research areas (eg, sexuality, culture, globalisation, development, postcoloniality, gendered politics). The interdisciplinary approach of the MSc Gender enables students to choose course options from within the Gender Institute and from other departments and institutes at the School.

There will be a series of compulsory dissertation workshops in the Lent term. The Gender Institute holds public lectures and workshops with eminent academics visiting London throughout the year.

All students on the MSc Gender will have an academic adviser who will be allocated upon arrival. Dissertation supervision is allocated in the Lent term.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach* enables students to become familiar with the fullest range of gender theories with particular attention to the intersections of gender, sexuality and race.

Gender, Knowledge and Research Practices* maps the history of debates about gender and feminist research, and asks what difference it makes to take gender as the subject or object of research.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options. Only options up to the value of one unit may be taken outside the Institute.

MSc Gender (Research)

Programme details

This degree enables students to develop expertise in both gender studies and research methodology, and is particularly useful for students considering further study. In addition to a thorough grounding in contemporary theories of gender and gender research practice, students will also receive advanced training in quantitative and qualitative research methodologies. Applicants from the UK and EU will be able to apply for funding under the ESRC 1+3 and +3 scheme.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach* enables students to become familiar with the fullest range of gender theories with particular attention to the intersections of gender, sexuality and race.

Gender, Knowledge and Research Practice* maps the history of debates about gender and feminist research, and asks what difference it makes to take gender as the subject or object of research.

Introduction to Quantitative

Analysis* covers the foundations of descriptive statistics estimation and inference or **Applied Regression Analysis*** is concerned with deepening the understanding of the generalised linear model and its application to social science data.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options provided within the Gender Institute.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our students go on to work in varied career paths: research and consultancy for government and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in developed and less developed countries, international organisations, humanitarian and charity work, personnel work, civil and diplomatic services, representative politics, advocacy, the legal profession, academia, media and communication and in education.

MSc Gender, Development and Globalisation

lse.ac.uk/grad/gdg

Application code: Y2U3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time;
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 28/150

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions but recommended to apply before end of June

This distinctive interdisciplinary programme focuses on integrating the theoretical analysis of gender with questions of globalisation and development. It provides the necessary analytical understanding to inform policy-making and independent research and prepares students for careers in policy-making institutions and NGOs as well as in academia.

This programme aims to:

- Give students a thorough understanding of economic and social processes that shape the contemporary global world and their gendered outcomes; a knowledge of how gender is theorised, understood and incorporated into the analysis of globalisation and development practice and policy.
- Be of great intellectual value to any student seeking to understand gender issues in a global and transnational context and those seeking to contribute to policy-making or to do further research in this field.

This programme is ideal for students with an upper second or first class honours degree (or equivalent). We will consider applicants with a good first degree in any discipline who have (and can demonstrate) a special interest and/or practical experience in this area.

Programme details

Assessment varies by course but generally consists mainly of continuous assessment with a few examinations. The Gender Institute regularly holds public lectures and research seminars with external speakers fortnightly throughout term time which extends and consolidates issues raised in the main courses. A series of dissertation workshops are held during the Lent term in order to help students prepare their dissertations.

All students on the programme will have an academic adviser who will guide them through their studies. A dissertation supervisor will be allocated in the Lent term.

The programme is composed of three compulsory courses to the value of one and a half units and a dissertation, plus optional courses to the equivalent of one and a half units.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach* enables students to become familiar with the fullest range of gender theories with particular attention to the intersections of gender, sexuality and race.

Globalisation, Gender and Development provides students with a thorough knowledge of two key interconnected and intersecting literatures: gender and development and gender and globalisation.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options with only options up to a full unit being allowed outside the Institute.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The interdisciplinary nature of gender studies means that graduates are equipped with a broad range of knowledge and skills that can be applied in a variety of areas. They are able to bring highly desirable gender analysis skills to a wide variety of settings, including: government departments, international institutions (including the EU and World Bank), the media and publishing, charities, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), private consultancy firms, education and research. Many of our graduates continue to study for PhDs and go on to work in academia.



SANGITA THEBE LIMBU

KATHMANDU, NEPAL

**MSc GENDER, DEVELOPMENT
AND GLOBALISATION (PART-TIME)**

When I was researching study options, I liked that LSE has a whole department dedicated to gender studies, in the form of the Gender Institute. Although there are over 100 students within the Institute, there is a great sense of community and belonging. Being able to discuss issues you are passionate about with like-minded friends and peers is just the cherry on the top.

The programme is intense and challenging as it takes an interdisciplinary, intersectional and non-linear approach to gender studies. Engaging with diverse schools of thought has helped me develop a robust theoretical foundation.

I have experienced a number of memorable moments here, such as queuing up for two hours and finally getting to see and listen to Professor Judith Butler. Since I am studying part-time, rushing to lectures from work has been the best part of my weekdays as I feel I am entering a world of possibilities. All these experiences have definitely shaped me into a more thoughtful and open-minded person.

After I graduate, I hope to work for an organisation which focuses on issues related to gender and peace-making, particularly in the context of Nepal.



MSc Gender, Media and Culture

lse.ac.uk/grad/gmc

Application code: Y2U7

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 20/141

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 in social science, or relevant
humanities discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

The programme is taught by the Gender Institute with the Media and Communications Department. It is administered from the Gender Institute. The programme employs a gender perspective to critically examine such questions as how representations in the media may reinforce or subvert social roles and ideologies; how gendered forms of address and identification have been theorised across different visual and print cultures; the role of a variety of media forms in critiquing or contributing to wider social processes such as globalisation, conflict and migration. Students are encouraged to interrogate a variety of theoretical and methodological approaches

to the gendered analysis of contemporary media and culture.

Programme details

In addition to the core units in gender theory, media and communication and gender and media representation students can choose from a range of options in the two departments. All students on this programme are housed within the Gender Institute.

Teaching on compulsory courses is delivered via a variety of lecture and seminar formats, for some options there are additional screenings of relevant material. Support for the dissertation is provided through individual supervision by academic staff in the Gender Institute and a series of workshops.

You will be assessed by written examinations, a series of research assignments, essays related to the

substantive courses and the dissertation, which must be submitted on 1 September (or the first working day after if it falls on a weekend). There are also additional formative assignments throughout the year including oral presentations, facilitations and essays.

You may take the course part-time by taking courses equivalent to two units in each year.

All students on the programme will have an academic adviser who will be allocated upon arrival. Dissertation supervision is allocated in the Lent term.

The programme involves the completion of four courses including a dissertation.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach* enables students to become familiar with the fullest range of gender theories with particular attention to the intersections of gender, sexuality and race.

Gender and Media Representation* critically examines gender in a range of different media.

Dissertation

Either **Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications 1 (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)*** addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications, within a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective or **Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications**



II (Processes of communication in modern life)* examines key concepts and critical perspectives on the processes of communication that underpin social, economic and institutional relations across diverse spheres of modern life.

One from:

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including **Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis**)* provides a general training in research methods and techniques including research design, the collection, analysis and interpretation of data.

Gender, Knowledge and Research Practice* maps the history of debates about gender and feminist research, and asks what difference it makes to take gender as the subject or object of research.

Qualitative Research With Non-Traditional Data* examines methods for collecting and analysing data which are not primarily textual or linguistic, and how these can be integrated into qualitative research.

Students will choose two other half unit courses offered by the Gender Institute or the Department of Media and Communications (at least one of which must be from the Gender Institute).

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The interdisciplinary nature of gender studies means that graduates are equipped with a broad range of knowledge and skills that can be applied in a variety of areas. They are able to bring highly desirable gender analysis skills to a wide variety of settings, including: the media and publishing, government departments, international institutions (including the EU), charities, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), private consultancy firms and education.

MSc Gender, Policy and Inequalities

lse.ac.uk/grad/gpi

Application code: Y2U5

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 23/89

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science or relevant humanities discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions but recommended to apply before the end of June

This programme uses contemporary gender theory to investigate social policy, planning and practice in an international and comparative context and to examine gender and social policy with an emphasis on the issues facing either less economically developed or European countries.

The programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class honours degree in the social sciences, or relevant humanities discipline.

This interdisciplinary MSc provides advanced study in the application of gender theory to social policy, planning and practice. It aims to give students a grounded understanding of the concepts and theories relevant to a gender analysis of social policy in a global and comparative context. The teaching will focus on stimulating independent thought on gender and gendered inequalities.

Programme details

All students follow three half unit compulsory courses. The first

compulsory course, Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach, provides a foundation in gender theory. For the second compulsory course students can choose between Gender and Social Policy: Theory and Practice or Gender Population and Policy. Students then choose one out of three policy-focused half units with either a European policy perspective or critical development studies perspective. In addition to these compulsory course requirements, students must complete another one and a half units of taught courses. Students can choose from a range of optional courses across the School, but no more than one full unit of these can be taken outside of the Gender Institute. Finally, students must also complete a 10,000 word dissertation on an approved topic. The dissertation should reflect learning from both the social policy and gender components of the MSc.

A series of dissertation workshops are held during the academic year and are compulsory. The Gender Institute holds a number of research seminars throughout the academic year. These seminars, which are delivered by eminent scholars both from within and outside the LSE community, provide opportunities for students to extend and consolidate issues raised in courses.

All students on the programme will have an academic adviser who will be allocated upon arrival. Dissertation supervision is allocated in the Lent term.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Gender Theories in the Modern World: An Interdisciplinary Approach* enables students to become familiar with the fullest range of gender theories with particular attention to the intersections of gender, sexuality and race.

Either Gender and Social Policy: Theory and Practice* looks at the importance of gender in explaining the structure and development of social policy and the use of gender in analysing inequalities that arise in access to and outcomes of social policies or **Gender, Population, and Policy** examines the complex inter-relationship between population issues and policy*.

Either Gender and European Welfare States* analyses the different ways in which gender is incorporated into national welfare states and the impact this has on particular national structures of gender inequalities or **Gender and Development: Geographical Perspectives*** provides an analysis of gender roles, relations and inequalities in developing world regions or **Globalisation, Gender and Development: Theorising Policy and Practice*** provides students with a thorough knowledge of theoretical and policy debates in the field of gender and development at local, national and international levels in an era of rapid globalisation.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a wide range of options offered within the Gender Institute and across the school.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The interdisciplinary nature of gender studies means that graduates are equipped with a broad range of knowledge and skills that can be applied in a variety of professional and academic settings. Our graduates are equipped with critical and analytic skills that are highly valued by a number of employers, including: government departments, international institutions (including the EU and World Bank), the media and publishing, charities, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), private consultancy firms, education and research. Many of our graduates continue to study for PhDs and go on to work in academia.

GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT

lse.ac.uk/geography AndEnvironment

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 239

Research: 47

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 36

REF: 84 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: St Clement's

The Department of Geography and Environment was ranked amongst the leading departments in the country in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF). It is a world-leading location for undertaking research in economic geography, environmental economics and policy, and urban and development geography. It has for many years been a recognised ESRC research training outlet.

The Department is distinctive in that it concentrates on the socio-economic aspects of the subject, places great emphasis on multidisciplinary teaching and research and focuses strongly on policy relevant work.

Our vibrant research environment is organised around three research clusters which focus on: Economic Geography; Environmental Economics and Policy; and Urban/Development. The Economic Geography and the Environmental

Economics and Policy clusters are closely associated with three large externally-funded research centres: the ESRC Spatial Economics Research Centre (SERC), the What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth and the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment (incorporating the ESRC Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy). Staff in each of the three research clusters have responsibility for teaching specialist master's courses, ensuring that students benefit from the most up to date understanding of the issues involved.

Departmental staff are also actively involved with the School's other interdisciplinary institutes and research centres (including the Centre for Economic Performance, Department of International Development, LSE London, Media@LSE, Gender Institute, and Urban@LSE) and undertake collaborative research with colleagues in other cognate disciplines (particularly, but not exclusively, economics).

The Department runs four ESRC-recognised PhD programmes (available in either 1+3 or +3 routes) in Economic Geography, Environmental Economics, Environmental Policy and Development, and Human Geography and Urban Studies, as well as a PhD programme in Regional Planning. There are two research-oriented master's degrees (MSc Human Geography and Urban Studies (Research) and MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change) and a range of others focused on developing the ability to integrate theoretical developments with practical experience (MSc Environmental Policy and Regulation, MSc Environment and

Development, MSc Local Economic Development, MSc Real Estate Economics and Finance, MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies, and MSc Urbanisation and Development).

Staff come from a wide range of subject backgrounds. Most of those involved in teaching graduate students have a wealth of experience in working for, or acting as advisers to, a range of international agencies – including the World Bank, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the European Commission, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and the World Wide Fund for Nature – and governmental bodies in Great Britain, South Africa, China and throughout the European Union.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

An economic solution to climate change that could save trillions

Research by **Professor Samuel Fankhauser** and **Associate Professor Simon Dietz** helped governments worldwide put a price on carbon that would curb harmful emissions and save \$1 trillion annually.

MPhil/PhD Human Geography and Urban Studies

MPhil/PhD Economic Geography

MPhil/PhD

Environmental Economics

MPhil/PhD Environmental Policy and Development

MPhil/PhD Regional and Urban Planning

Visiting Research Students

Application code: L8ZG (Human Geography), L8EG (VRS), L7ZQ (Economic Geography), L7ZR (Environmental Economics), L7ZS (Environmental Policy and Development), L8ZR (Regional and Urban Planning), L8ER (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016
January/April start is available in exceptional circumstances

Duration: 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Taught master's degree in a related discipline and a background in geography, economics or allied subjects such as political science, development studies, sociology, anthropology, planning, environmental studies and regional science with a minimum of 65 per

cent average mark and 70 per cent or higher in the dissertation component

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. MPhil/PhD studentships are available as part of both the Environmental Energy and Resilience group of accredited programmes (MPhil/PhD Environmental Economics, MPhil/PhD Environmental Policy and Development and MPhil/PhD Human Geography and Urban Studies) and the Spatial Disparities, Economic Geography and Regional Development Group (MPhil/PhD Economic Geography) (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016. The selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds, and all students are advised to aim for the first round if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

We welcome applicants with good master's degrees to study for a PhD. We only accept PhD topics that are close

to staff interests, so you should check our staff CVs, publications and current research agenda (our departmental web pages list key research topics). Broadly speaking this covers economic geography, spatial economics, regional development, environmental economics, environmental policy, climate change economics, human geography, political geography, globalisation, geographies of development, and urbanisation.

You should have a minimum of 65 per cent average mark in a taught master's degree (or equivalent) in a cognate field of study to your proposed research topic, with strong performance (70 per cent or higher) in the dissertation element, and have a background in geography, economics or allied subjects such as political science, development studies, sociology, anthropology, planning, environmental studies or regional science.

Selection is based upon your past academic performance, the quality of your research proposal, references, prior achievement, and the appropriateness of your research to the Department's research focus. Your research proposal should be three to four pages long (excluding references and appendix). It is essential that the research proposal addresses: research question; relevant literature and previous research in the field; potential contribution to knowledge; likely methods and theoretical approaches to be adopted; likely information sources and an assessment of their suitability and availability. An outline three year research timetable must be included as an appendix. Applications

that fail to address these points will not be considered. We normally interview prospective research students.

As part of their PhD training, new MPhil/PhD students will take a range of compulsory and optional courses. Specifically, students take core courses in human geography, economic geography, environmental economics or environmental policy (depending on which programme they are enrolled in) as well as relevant specialist MSc level courses to take them to the leading edge of their chosen discipline and topic. Students can also select from courses offered by LSE's Department of Methodology. In addition, throughout the PhD programmes, we offer a series of study skills workshops, research seminar series where graduates present their current research to staff and colleagues, and research cluster seminars where visiting speakers and staff present their work. Exemption from parts of the graduate programme may be obtained if you have already undertaken recognised research training. Most elements of the graduate programme are completed in the first year. ESRC funded students on a 1+3 route can take the MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change or the MSc Human Geography and Urban Studies (Research) in their first year of study. It is also possible to take the MSc Environmental Policy and Regulation, MSc Environment and Development, MSc Local Economic Development or MSc Real Estate Economics and Finance if adequate research methods courses are taken as part of these programmes.

Personal supervision and continued review and monitoring are key elements

of the PhD programme. You will be allocated a (principal) supervisor, backed up by either a second (joint) supervisor or a review supervisor. Under the guidance of the supervisors you will work on your research design, strategy and methodology, and the timetable and plans for dissemination of your work. You will receive regular feedback on your work and your progress will be monitored by a formal first year progress review, an upgrade review in the second year, as well as yearly annual reviews.

Taught programmes

MSc Environment and Development (see page 100)

MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change (see page 102)

MSc Environmental Policy and Regulation (see page 103)

MSc Human Geography and Urban Studies (Research) (see page 104)

MSc Local Economic Development (see page 105)

MSc Real Estate Economics and Finance (see page 106)

MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies (see page 107)

MSc Urbanisation and Development (see page 108)

The Department runs a joint degree with Sciences Po, Paris:

LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Urban Policy (see page 215)

MPhil/PhD programmes

MPhil/PhD Economic Geography (see page 99)

MPhil/PhD Environmental Economics (see page 99)

MPhil/PhD Environmental Policy and Development (see page 99)

MPhil/PhD Human Geography and Urban Studies (see page 99)

MPhil/PhD Regional and Urban Planning (see page 99)

MSc Environment and Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/ed

Application code: F9UB

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 40/344

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, preferably social science. Will consider appropriate work experience in addition to sound academic background (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Environment

and Development is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four year award

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding 11 January 2016

Air pollution, climate change, tropical deforestation: there is little doubt that the world is experiencing rapid and unprecedented changes to its natural environment at local, regional, and global scales. At the same time, human societies and economies are undergoing profound changes, for example, through the processes of globalisation and urbanisation. But how does economic development affect, and is it affected by, natural resource exploitation and management? What is the role of policy in influencing possible linkages between environment and development?

Based in the Department of Geography and Environment, this programme is intended for those with a primary interest in the linkages between environment and development. It provides students with a rigorous training in the social science dimensions of environmental and development policy, management and evaluation within a developing country context. The study of environment and development is multi-disciplinary by nature, and the programme seeks to integrate key concepts and perspectives from core social science disciplines. The aim is to provide students with an understanding of the issues involved in sustainable development both from a theoretical and practical perspective.

This programme is in principle open to all students irrespective of their first degree, but preferably you will have studied within the social sciences. You should have the equivalent of at least an upper second class honours degree. We will consider appropriate work experience in addition to a sound academic background.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- A high quality academic training in the field of environment and development.
- A unique interdisciplinary approach towards this increasingly important field, drawing on the wide ranging disciplinary expertise and experience of staff in the Department of Geography and Environment.
- The opportunity to select from a range of options allowing you to shape your studies to your needs.

- Studying with an exciting group of international students with a diversity of academic and professional backgrounds.

Teaching is mainly through lectures and graduate level seminars. It is possible to study this programme part-time over two years. You will be assessed on a combination of unseen examinations and research essays depending on the courses taken. In general minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit course.

You have the opportunity to attend the bi-weekly Climate Change and Environment Research Seminar Series (RSS), organised jointly by the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment and the Department of Geography and Environment, which brings to the School prominent scholars and practitioners involved in research and practice. In

addition, there are occasional public lectures offered by the Department.

The MSc Environment and Development requires you to take one compulsory core course and three optional courses.

Compulsory course

Environment and Development covers environment-economy linkages and explores the way in which resources and environment shape (and are affected by) economic and social development. A number of policy-relevant topics at the interface of environment and development – including urbanisation, natural resource management and technological change – are explored using concepts and tools of applied economics and institutional analysis.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three units, including at least one unit from

the Department of Geography and Environment. If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you will need to undertake some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact the MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates enter a wide variety of employment opportunities in the public sector, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), international organisations, research, consultancy and international firms.



**JACOB WELLMAN**

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, USA

MSc ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

I was first drawn to LSE's specific focus on applied economics, particularly with regard to climate change and the environment. The depth of the teaching staff's expertise then confirmed it was the ideal place to study environmental economics.

By taking part in a parliamentary internship scheme, I've gained first-hand experience of UK politics and supplemented my classroom learning with ongoing debates on topical policy issues. I've also been able to attend lectures from notable people in academia, industry, and governments around the world thanks to LSE's public events programme, which has helped me connect lessons from my coursework to real-life experiences.

The other students in my programme have studied and worked in a varied number of fields and countries and bring their unique expertise to our class discussions and informal group work.

That's something you can't get in a textbook or online.

After I graduate, I will continue my studies in a research programme at the University of Bristol, specifically looking at the impact of renewable energy policies on the electricity market in different US states.

**MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change**lse.ac.uk/grad/eec**Application code:** L7UD**Start date:** 22 September 2016**Duration:** 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time**Intake/applications in 2014:** 19/227

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, preferably social science. Will consider appropriate work experience in addition to sound academic background (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding 11 January 2016

Environmental economics is playing an increasingly central role in both understanding the causes of, and designing policy solutions to, contemporary

environmental problems. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the case of human-induced climate change. Amongst others, economic analyses have been used to determine the net costs/benefits of different policy scenarios, to better understand how to achieve and sustain international co-operation, and to evaluate the efficiency of different environmental policy instruments. Environmental economics has been instrumental in informing policy across the world, for example, in market creation such as for carbon, or the design of new interventions such as payments for ecosystem services (PES). In these, and across a wide range of other issues, from biodiversity and ecosystem loss, air pollution to, more broadly, the link between the environment and sustainable economic development, the theory and applied tools of environmental economics are uniquely placed to inform and guide decision-makers in addressing environmental challenges.

For applicants who are graduates from UK universities, the normal minimum entry requirement is an upper second class honours degree, preferably in economics or otherwise with a background in economic analysis, and good analytical, quantitative and technical skills. Applicants with qualifications from other countries will be expected to have a similar academic background. Exceptional applicants with strong quantitative (ie, in calculus or statistics) and analytical skills but without a background in economic analysis will be required to take prior training in economics (via appropriate LSE Diploma or Summer School economics courses or equivalent training elsewhere) before being considered

for admission. Applications are also welcome from mature students with work experience in the environmental/climate change field who wish to upgrade their technical skills and analytical insight. Such applicants will still need to meet a threshold requirement with respect to their prior economics and/or quantitative training.

Programme details

The programme will be taught and run by what is now one of the largest international groupings of environmental economists in any academic institution. Teaching staff are based within the LSE's Department of Geography and Environment as well as the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment.

The programme aims to provide students with the following:

- A well-developed understanding of environmental and resource economics, its conceptual foundations and practical tools of analysis, including state-of-the-art quantitative methods.
- An ability to apply economic concepts and quantitative methods to the analysis, appraisal and valuation of a wide range of environmental problems and policies.
- An awareness of the importance of context, both from an institutional and policy perspective, when applying the concepts and tools of environmental economics.
- An in-depth understanding of climate change, including its scientific, economic and political dimensions.

The MSc requires you to take four compulsory courses (with a value of three units) and two optional courses to the value of one unit. Note that not all the optional courses will be available every year.

Teaching itself will be conducted mainly through lectures and graduate level seminars. Assessment will be a combination of unseen examinations and research essays. You will also have the opportunity to develop a dissertation on a topic within the fields of environmental, resource or climate change economics. This will allow you to pursue a research question of interest to you in depth, using the analytical tools and techniques covered in the course. You will work on your own on the dissertation, with advice from a supervisor. In general, teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

The continuing rise in the application of economics to environmental policy-making has created increased demand for individuals with state-of-the-art training in environmental, natural resource and climate change economics, and an ability to apply economic tools to the analysis of a wide range of environmental problems and policy.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Environmental and Resource Economics examines the foundations of environmental and resource economics, the economics of pollution control, the economics of renewable and non-renewable resources and the study of international environmental problems and agreements.

Applied Quantitative Methods*

provides an introduction to quantitative methods in use in modern environmental and resource economics.

Climate Change: Science, Economics and Policy* is an interdisciplinary analysis of the issue of climate change.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options. If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you need to take some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

MSc Environmental Policy and Regulation

lse.ac.uk/grad/epr

Application code: F9UG

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 35/215

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline, preferably social science. Will consider appropriate work experience in addition to sound academic background (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Graduate destinations

Economics is frequently at the centre of environmental policy-making. The MSc in Environmental Economics and Climate Change provides state-of-the-art training in environmental, natural resource and climate change economics. Students will develop analytical tools applicable to the full range of environmental issues in the public, private, and other sectors. There are promising career opportunities for those who have trained as professional environmental economists: in government, international organisations, industry, NGOs, consultancy and research.

The MSc Environmental Economics and Climate Change will be invaluable if you wish to work, or are already working, in a specialised area relating to climate change economics but also more broadly to any aspect of environmental and resource economics.

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Environmental Policy and Regulation is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admission. For consideration for ESRC funding 11 January 2016

There is a growing recognition in both public and private spheres of the need for greater environmental protection. Yet how do broad concerns lead to specific policies or plans, and what factors shape the performance of different regulatory instruments on the ground? This one year MSc programme (two years for part-time students) takes students with first degrees in a wide range of areas and analyses the nature and efficacy of different approaches to environmental policy and regulation. It considers the influence of different forms of environmental policy and regulation at the international, national and local levels and the role of environmental evaluation techniques. Issues are addressed within a distinctive social science framework that uses theory to understand practice, thereby equipping students with the skills they need to work on environmental policy and regulation in the public, private or NGO sectors.

Programme details

The programme is designed to enable participants to:

- Gain a deeper understanding of the tools available for environmental policy and regulation, and the diverse contexts within which they operate.
- Evaluate the impact of policies for the economy, society and the natural environment.

Students can expect to receive approximately 120 hours of contact time not including the dissertation. Teaching is mainly through lectures and graduate level seminars. You will be assessed on a combination of unseen examinations and research essays. You will develop a detailed proposal for your dissertation on a topic in the field of environment, but of your own choosing and design. You will work on your own on the dissertation, with limited advice from a supervisor.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Environmental Regulation: Implementing Policy provides critical insights into the characteristics, processes, instruments and evolving dynamics of environmental policy, regulation and governance.

Either **Environment and Development** covers environment-economy linkages, the concept of sustainable economic development and environment growth and the resource *or* **Environment and Development: Sustainability, Technology and Business*** examines environment-economy linkages, the concept of sustainable economic

development, green technological change and corporate social/ environmental responsibility.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose course options to the value of one full unit or one and a half units, depending upon their compulsory course choice. If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you need to take some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates will have the skills to enter a wide variety of employment opportunities in the public sector, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), international organisations, research, consultancy and national/ multinational firms.

MSc Human Geography and Urban Studies (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/hgus

Application code: L8UH

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 2/24

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in geography or social science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Human Geography and Urban Studies (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admission. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

Note: You should include in your personal statement that you wish to be considered for ESRC studentships

This programme will be of interest if you have studied geography or a related social science subject at undergraduate level and are now looking for a more focused introduction to human geographical

research. It is designed as a preparation for study at PhD level, as well as further training in a broad range of substantive geographical and environmental themes. It draws on the breadth of theoretical understanding, research expertise and practical experience in the Department, while allowing for learning in specialised courses elsewhere in LSE.

Programme details

Minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Contemporary Debates in Human Geography Seminar*

is a reading seminar course, organised around key works pertinent to cities development and human geography.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Many graduates from this degree go on to do PhD Degrees, while others enter a wide variety of employment including consultancy, the public sector and education.

MSc Local Economic Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/led

Application code: L1S2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 46/230

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 in social science (in the past mostly economics, development, sociology geography, international relations and political science) (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement:

No requirement, but good GRE/GMAT a strong asset

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: This programme gives access to the Institute of Economic Development

This programme draws upon the expertise of a group of LSE researchers who are key contributors to research and practice on regional and local economic development. We also invite regular

contributions from external academics and practitioners.

In addition to gaining the MSc you will also have access to the Institution of Economic Development, the leading UK organisation for economic development practitioners.

As an interdisciplinary programme, applications from any field in the social sciences are welcome. In the past, the bulk of the student body has been made up by graduates in economics, development, sociology, geography, international relations and political science. In any case, we will expect applicants to have excellent grades in their first degrees.

In recent years, rapid changes in technology and information, industrial restructuring and integration have been radically realigning production structures. There has also been a drive towards the globalisation of the world economy. World trade has expanded at twice the rate of output and national governments have been rethinking their protectionist policies to participate in the new global markets. In this context, local and regional economies increasingly need new responses and demand specialist skills to work with the change, and exploit the opportunities it offers.

Programme details

This programme focuses on the variety of ways in which local and regional agencies can work with the private sector in order to stimulate local economies. You will also develop an understanding

of the local, national and international trends in business organisation, and a knowledge of the variety of local agents involved. The course emphasises management issues of local capacity building, attracting investment, network building, infrastructure, human resources, and focuses as well on the rationale and impact of regional and local development policies and on the role of institutions. In general minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Topics in Local Economic Development*

is concerned with both the theoretical underpinnings and practical implementation of specific local economic development policies.

Either Globalisation, Regional Development and Policy

analyses the theory and practice of economic development focusing on response to change, stimulation of development, and methods of local or regional delivery or **Local Economic Development and Policy** deals with the analysis of theoretical and institutional issues, empirical evidence, development pre-requisites and economic development policies in the context of actions to stimulate the economic development of local and regional economies.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options. If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you need to take some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate Studies to discuss this requirement

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Previous graduates are mainly working in international organisations (UN system [including ILO, UNDP, FAO], World Bank, OECD, European Union, World Trade Conference), national and regional governments, international consultancy, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), research centres and top universities. Further information about what previous students are doing can be found on our website.

MSc Real Estate Economics and Finance

lse.ac.uk/grad/reef

Application code: L8U3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 42/290

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 with background in economic analysis, and good analytical, quantitative and technical skills (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All graduates of non-UK institutions must submit a GRE score (preferred) or GMAT score

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Real Estate Economics and Finance is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

Note: Offers fast-track membership to the Investment Property Forum, and accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

This programme is based in the Department of Geography and Environment but involves

collaboration with the Departments of Accounting, Finance and Economics and offers the following benefits:

- Study in a Department with a strong group of applied urban and real estate economists and land use specialists situated in the only UK university devoted solely to the social sciences.
- Our master's programme focuses on developing graduates' ability to integrate theoretical developments with practical experience.
- Master's students are drawn from a range of disciplinary and national backgrounds and join a vibrant community of over 200 graduate students studying graduate courses within the Department.
- This is an academic programme but it benefits from a partnership agreement with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, RICS, conferring professional recognition. In addition, the Investment Property Forum, IPF, has included the programme on their selected list of graduate courses that the forum considers to provide the relevant skills necessary for those operating in the property investment market. This recognition comes with a number of benefits for our master's graduates. Graduates of the MSc REEF will be offered a fast-track membership to the forum.

This MSc will appeal if you wish to work, or are already working, in a specialised area relating to property and urban analysis (including research), real estate finance or investment analysis. You should have good analytical, quantitative

and technical skills. A thorough grounding in economic analysis, at a level equivalent to a joint degree at least, is a normal requirement for entry.

If you do not hold an honours degree from a UK university you should submit a GRE General Test score with your application that has been taken within the last five years and include your test scores on your application form. (You may also submit a GMAT score, but GRE is preferred). We do not require a specific mark but we do typically expect candidates to score in the top ten percentile in the overall test. However, other qualifications and relevant work experience will be taken into consideration. We recognise that if your first language is not English the test will present special difficulties and we view your score on that basis.

Programme details

The programme integrates current academic analysis and research with an applied study of real estate markets and finance. This is done mainly in a European and North American institutional setting. Minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Real Property Market Practice* provides an examination of how real property markets operate in practice and of the analytical techniques and data available for analysts and practitioners.

Applied Urban and Regional Economics

provides a theoretical and empirical understanding of urban economic processes and price determination in land and real property markets within an institutional context.

Real Estate Finance* examines concepts and techniques for analysing financial decisions in real estate development and investment.

Either **Asset Markets A*** covers the fundamental concepts and tools underlying the asset markets side of modern finance or **Finance I*** is a first course in financial analysis for students with a basic knowledge of management.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose a relevant half unit course from a range of options, subject to regulations and agreement of the programme director.

Students may also choose **Corporate Finance and Asset Markets** instead of one of the following two combinations: (optional) MSc level half unit course plus **Asset Markets A*** or (optional) MSc level half unit course plus **Finance I***. The half unit course **Asset Markets A*** cannot be combined with the half unit course **Finance I***.

If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you need to take some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses

may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our MSc graduates enter a wide variety of employment including professional firms, finance, real estate research, consultancy, the public sector and education.

MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies

lse.ac.uk/grad/rups

Application code: L8U4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24-48 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 31/155

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree or equivalent in relevant social science or professional qualifications and experience (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: Accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

The MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies programme enjoys a long and well-respected tradition of training both young planners and mid-career professionals seeking career advancement. We are unique among graduate planning schools, offering a strongly interdisciplinary programme based on the economics, geography and the politics of land-use planning. Our aim is to develop an understanding of the various influences affecting the planning process, and to teach a strong set of research skills that will help planners in practice. These perspectives and skills will be applied to London and to a wide range of countries and cities through lectures, site visits, fieldwork and seminar debates.

The MSc programme attracts students from all over the world including North and South America, Asia and Europe. We provide strong professional linkages through our very active alumni network and links to the Association of European Planning Schools. This programme benefits from a partnership agreement with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors conferring professional recognition and is also available as part of a double degree programme with Sciences Po. For more information please see page 215. The programme is ideally suited to both academically excellent recent graduates and mid-level career professionals.

Programme details

The programme organises a series of London walks and a UK based fieldtrip in the first term that help orient students to planning in England. Alumni events are held throughout the year and there is a field trip during the spring vacation. The destination for the trip is chosen by the students in conjunction with the faculty and is typically held in continental Europe. Recent student cohorts have chosen Turin, Istanbul, Berlin, Moscow and Bucharest. The cost of this visit (about £300) is not covered by tuition fees. The students also run a Planning Society, which organises speakers, shorter trips and social events.

Teaching is based primarily on lectures, seminars, a fieldwork project and tutorials. In general, minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

The Economics of Regional and Urban Planning* provides an economic framework in which to analyse the structure of economic activity within the urban and regional context; the impact of this structure on urban form; the role of government at the local level and local economic policy applications.

Social and Political Aspects of Regional and Urban Planning*

explores the impact of key social and political processes on the activity of urban and regional planning.

Urban Policy and Planning* this is a fieldwork based course that examines the way in which economic, political and social forces interact to effect policy approaches in different spatial settings.

Planning Practice and Research (not assessed) provides an understanding of the current planning issues faced by practitioners and their policy responses.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options. Normally, students chose their optional courses based on specialisation. Topics include: Local Economic Development; Environmental Policy and Planning; Development in the Global South and Social Policy. If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you need to take some methods training as part of the MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates typically go on to careers in planning consultancies, local and regional government, real estate and property development; and community advocacy organisations.

MSc Urbanisation and Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/ud

Application code: L8U6

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 20/119

Minimum entry requirement: Good 2:1 in social science subject such as geography, anthropology, sociology, planning, development, or a degree in another field with work experience relevant to cities and/or development (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Early application is advised

The MSc Urbanisation and Development offers students an integrated and up-to-date programme on urban development, which draws on the breadth of research expertise and practical experience in the Department of Geography and Environment and the Department of

International Development. Teaching staff are leading researchers in the field, and participate along with outside speakers in an intense schedule of LSE-based seminars and conferences.

This programme is intended for graduates with a good first degree in social science, such as geography, development, sociology, planning or anthropology. Applicants with degrees in other subjects will be considered, especially if they have work or voluntary experience relevant to cities and/or development.

At a time when three-quarters of the world's urban population and over 90 per cent of future urban population growth will be in the developing world, it is vital we understand relationships between urban and development issues from both theoretical and empirical standpoints. The programme reviews urbanism from colonial to contemporary periods, emphasising demographic, social, economic, cultural and political processes. The programme pays particular attention to the origins and claims of development theory and practice, and the aims and achievements of contemporary urban policy from a wide variety of thematic and theoretical perspectives.

Programme details

Minimum teaching contact for a full unit course is usually 40 hours, and 20 hours for a half unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Urban Theory and Policy in the Global South* concentrates on key urban policy debates in the developing world, particularly over the past two decades.

Urban Research Methods* provides an introduction to key methods used in research on urbanising societies around the world, particularly in the Global South

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

If you are planning to apply for a PhD within the Department, please be advised that you may wish to audit additional methods training during your MSc. Contact your MSc programme director and the Director of Graduate studies to discuss this requirement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates enter a wide variety of employment including the public sector, non-governmental and civil society organisations, international agencies, research and consultancy, as well as further study.

GOVERNMENT

lse.ac.uk/government

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 389

Research: 50

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 54

REF: 88 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Connaught House

The Government Department is one of the largest in the UK and covers almost all areas of politics. We offer a comprehensive range of academic approaches, from political theory, political economy, rational choice theory, public policy, nationalism, conflict studies, and comparative government to the history of institutions and policy.

Being based within the only UK institution that specialises solely in the social sciences is a great benefit and our graduate programmes involve close collaboration with other departments and institutes in the School. In the 2014 REF, the Government and International Relations Departments were assessed as one unit. LSE came top in the Politics and International Studies REF panel in terms of the most research publications graded "world leading" (4*); the absolute number of top-rated research outputs.

We currently have students from all corners of the globe researching across the whole field of politics.

MRes/PhD Political Science Visiting Research Students

Application code: M1ZN (MRes/PhD), M1EG (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MRes/PhD 5 years (minimum 3), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Intake/application in 2014: 9/200

Entry requirement: Very good undergraduate degree and a taught master's degree (or equivalent) in political science or a closely related discipline

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MRes/PhD Political Science is part of the Political Science and International Studies group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 11 January 2016. This deadline is final. Successful candidates will normally be notified in March. Selection for funding is also based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents – by 11 January 2016

Notes: Applicants must submit either two degree essays of between 3,000-5,000 words or a dissertation of no more than 10,000 words (this can be an extract from a longer work)

Opportunities for research

You will join a small and highly selective entering class, of about 8-12 students, most with full scholarships, chosen from applicants from a wide range of universities from around the world.

Together you will embark on the MRes/PhD in Political Science, which is a structured route to a PhD. In the first year, you will take a series of courses and prepare a Research Prospectus. You will be trained in research design and research methods and also take courses from a broad range of graduate specialisms in our Department and across LSE. You will study with acknowledged leaders in their fields and learn what political scientists know (and don't know), what the key debates have been and where the discipline is going.

At the end of the first year you will complete the assessments for your courses and finalise your Research Prospectus, the provisional research plan for your PhD. You will defend the prospectus at a committee of relevant faculty in September at the end of the first year.

If you pass the exams and successfully defend the Prospectus you will be "upgraded" to the PhD part of the programme. You will now be ready to implement your research plan, for example through fieldwork, data collection and analysis, theoretical work, or a combination of several approaches. You will participate and present your work in Doctoral Workshops with faculty and fellow researchers, and you will start to attend and present papers at

international conferences. You will also be eligible to help teach undergraduate courses in the Department.

There is no question that the first year is hard work. But you will learn fast and you will learn a great deal. Graduates of our programme are able to interpret, evaluate, and use research results across a broad spectrum of topics, well beyond the field of their specific doctoral research. The purpose of this combination of training and research is to produce a new generation of political scientists who upon graduation are qualified to take up important positions in our profession. The benefits of the programme are clear to see in the job placements of our graduates.

All of this takes place in one of the world's great universities, located in the heart of the United Kingdom's political, business, cultural, and intellectual capital. Furthermore, the School has one of the largest concentrations of social scientists in the world.

MRes/PhD in Political Science

The PhD programme is a five year degree with a 1+4 structure: one year of formal coursework followed by four years of research and writing.

During the MRes year (year 1) each student takes four units as follows: Research Design; Methods; Field Seminars; and a Research Prospectus.

Conditions for upgrade to PhD

Students must obtain at least a Merit in the MRes and in the Research Prospectus to be upgraded to the PhD.

The remaining years of the programme involve researching and writing a dissertation and participating in at least one Doctoral Workshop in the Government Department or elsewhere in the School in each year (unless officially away on fieldwork or further training).

Taught programmes

MSc Comparative Politics (see page 110)

MSc Conflict Studies (see page 111)

MSc EU Politics (see page 80)

MPA European Public and Economic Policy (see page 171)

MSc Global Politics (see page 112)

MPA International Development (see page 171)

MSc International Migration and Public Policy (see page 197)

MSc Public Policy and Administration (see page 115)

MSc Political Science and Political Economy (see page 113)

MSc Political Theory (see page 114)

LSE-PKU Double Degree in Public Administration and Government (see page 214)

MSc Public Policy and Administration (see page 115)

MSc Regulation (see page 115)

MPA Public and Economic Policy (see page 171)

MPA Public Policy and Management (see page 171)

MPA Public and Social Policy (see page 171)

MSc Comparative Politics

lse.ac.uk/grad/cp

Application code: M112

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 80/299

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Government. It is aimed at those holding a social science BA or equivalent, and is a good preparation for further research work or for a career in media, political consultancy, international organisations, public administration or the private sector.

Comparative politics is the comparative study of political systems. In the MSc Comparative Politics we look for sophisticated analytical answers to such basic political questions as: “why are some countries democratic while others are not?”; “why are some countries torn by ethnic conflict?”; “do constitutions matter?”; “what is the impact of global capitalism on state sovereignty?”; “how can social movements best be understood?” Addressing these and similar questions, the programme offers courses in the fields of democracy and democratisation, nationalism and ethnicity, comparative political economy and political institutions, popular politics, and politics of the developing world as well as a wide range of country and area specific options. The latter include Latin America, Sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East, India, China and South-East Asia. Our programme is methodologically eclectic yet rigorous, with an emphasis on historical approaches.

Programme details

Students will take assessed courses with a total value of four units, with most courses accounting for a half unit. All students are required to take the core comparative politics course (half unit) and write a 10,000 word dissertation (one unit). Students can – but are not



obliged to – choose a specialism allowing the acquisition of deeper expertise on a particular subject area within comparative politics. Specialisms require either:

- an obligatory compulsory specialism course and another course from a restricted list of subjects related to the specialism, or
- the choice of two courses from a restricted list of subjects related to the specialism.

The topic of the dissertation should also broadly relate to the theme of the specialism chosen. Part-time students may take up to four courses in their first year.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Introduction to Comparative Politics* examines the theoretical and methodological underpinnings of comparative politics.

Dissertation

Specialisms

Democracy and Democratisation

Nationalism and Ethnic Politics

Comparative Political Economy

Popular Politics

Comparative Political Institutions

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates from our MSc have gone on to successful careers in politics, media, NGOs, foreign service, finance and academia.

MSc Conflict Studies

lse.ac.uk/grad/cs

Application codes: L2U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 59/407

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme is dedicated to the analysis of violent conflict and its management or resolution. It is based in the Department of Government and is the focus for the School's provision in this growing area of study and practice. The core teaching will be based in the

Government Department but will also be enriched by many optional courses in related departments. The programme's interests range from the interaction of high-level international, domestic and local politics, to the ideological, cultural and political economy factors in violent conflict. We are pedagogical and methodological pluralists who are interested in explaining the causes, dynamics and outcomes of conflict and developing new perspectives on the institutional and non-institutional means by which conflicts can be better managed.

Conflict Studies has at its core some fundamental questions about what causes violent conflict. Why does it happen when it does and where it does? How can a conflict be characterised and understood? How and why do conflicts change over time? What can be done to manage or resolve a conflict? What is the role of international politics, or civil society? We aim to address these major questions that are pivotal to the comparative study of politics. The involvement of leading experts in the field at LSE provides students with insights and critical thinking on the latest theoretical developments, research, and best policy practices.

We aim to provide a multi-disciplinary perspective on the study of conflict which will be a valued learning experience for those who wish to develop careers in the policy world in governments and public service, international organisations, security agencies, the media, NGOs, finance, as well as providing an excellent foundation for those students who wish to progress to a PhD programme. While many students who have taken

our courses have gone on to successful careers in these fields, many have also come to us from such careers and with experience of work in major conflict zones, and have found their perspectives and skills enhanced by the in-depth learning experience at LSE. Our goal is less to teach you how to think about conflict normatively, though this is an element in some courses, but more how to develop your skills to research and analyse conflict. The programme offers an array of extracurricular activities each academic year, including guest speakers, public lectures, colloquia and workshops, and film screenings.

Programme details

The programme has been designed to provide students with a range of options that offer comprehensive coverage of theories of conflict, political violence and civil wars, human security, terrorism and insurgency, including the implications for strategies of statebuilding, post-conflict reconstruction and reconciliation, peace processes and conflict resolution. Concepts and theories are analysed across a range of global, regional, national and subnational contexts, including detailed comparative case-studies. The programme includes as a compulsory element some basic methodological training in quantitative and/or qualitative methods, with provision for more advanced skills as required.

Students must take courses to the value of four full units as shown. All students are required to write a 10,000-word

dissertation. Part-time students may take up to four courses in their first year.

Compulsory courses

(*half unit)

Comparative Conflict Analysis*

introduces the core theoretical debates and cutting-edge research on intra-state conflict and political violence.

Dissertation

Either **Qualitative Research Methods*** that addresses methods of data collection and analysis of qualitative data or **Introduction to Quantitative Analysis*** that covers the foundations of descriptive statistics and statistical estimation and inference.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Previous graduates have developed careers in the policy world in governments and public service, international organisations, security agencies, the media, NGOs, finance, as well as providing an excellent foundation for those students who wish to progress to a PhD programme.

MSc Global Politics

lse.ac.uk/grad/gp

Application codes: M1UG

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 69/377

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 in any discipline with a considered interest in the relevant area (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

This programme is based in the Department of Government, but the teaching is interdisciplinary and carried out by Government, the International Relations Department, the Department of International Development and the European Institute. It brings together many of the unique resources of these departments into a leading, interdisciplinary programme on globalisation, global governance and global politics. The programme brings together the expertise of LSE staff at the cutting edge of debates about globalisation and global politics.

We will consider applicants with a 2:1 or above in any discipline, or equivalent, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc.

Programme details

The MSc includes a compulsory course, The Politics of Globalisation, which all students must take. It draws on specialist knowledge from across LSE's politics staff to offer a comprehensive introduction to the changing structure of the global order, and the contemporary challenges of global politics. The teaching team reviews the programme content every year to ensure that it is up to date with global developments and scholarship, but usually the programme first covers the main approaches to the study of globalisation and global politics, then looks at the role of the main actors in global politics (notably states and great power politics, international organisations, global companies, civil society actors, and armed non-state movements) and then analyses some key global policy areas, such as old and new wars, peace-building and state-building, global migration, global health policy, global environmental politics, global trade and finance, global poverty, inequality and development.

In addition, students will take other full unit and/or half unit courses to the total value of two units. Students can choose from over fifty courses related to various aspects of global politics. Some of the courses focus on specific policy areas, notably global political economy, global security and war, the global environment, global health, the political economy of

development, gender politics, and other key issues of global politics. Other courses focus on specific world regions (East, South and Southeast Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Latin America, and Europe). All students must write a 10,000 word dissertation on a topic chosen by them and approved by their supervisors. The programme offers lectures and seminar sessions to guide students in the research design process and the choice of methods for the dissertation.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

The Politics of Globalisation examines the nature, the causes and the political consequences of globalisation in a variety of domains, including security, culture, the economy, and the environment.

Dissertation

Students will take other full unit and/or half unit courses to the total value of two units.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is a good preparation for further research work or for a career in education, the public services or the private sector at national, international or global levels.

MSc Political Science and Political Economy

lse.ac.uk/grad/pspe

Application code: L2U9

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 40/244

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 or equivalent in any discipline
(see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

The MSc Political Science and Political Economy provides a sound professional training in formal political science and in quantitative oriented approaches to political economy. Students will acquire the knowledge and techniques to analyse political processes, institutional design and public policy making in liberal democracies. It should be of particular interest for students who intend to take courses in political economy, elections, legislature, executive governments, public policy, development, and international

political economy within the framework of a political science oriented programme. This MSc will provide a set of skills which are highly requested in public policy making, policy analysis, business, political consultancy and public affairs.

Programme details

All students study the compulsory courses in Political Science and Political Economy, Game Theory for Political Science, Applied Quantitative Methods for Political Science and Applied Regression Analysis and write a 10,000 word dissertation. In addition, students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options, including from other programmes in the Department and School, with the approval of the MSc course convener.

Each student is assigned a personal tutor who is a member of the PSPE Group. The personal tutor provides support for personal and academic well-being during the programme.

Students write a 10,000 word dissertation on a topic agreed with their supervisor. Previous dissertations reflect a wide variety of subject areas, including political institutions, political behaviour such as elections, public policy, and political economy. Dissertations should reflect the training that students have acquired by applying methods such as formal theory, quantitative methods or textual analysis

Half unit courses are taught in the format of lectures (usually of one or two hours)

and seminars (usually one to two hours), summing to about three total hours per week over the ten week term. These take place in the first and second terms with two weeks of revision scheduled for the third term. Methods of assessment differ from course to course, and may include unseen written exams in the summer term and/or assessed essays. In addition you will meet with your supervisor and work on your dissertation.

The PSPE programme relies significantly on the use of mathematical concepts (eg, statistics, game theory) and their applications to modern political science. As a result, we expect students to have either (a) previous exposure to key mathematical concepts (intermediary level or above in algebra and real analysis, some exposure to probabilities), or (b) to be willing to invest some additional time in developing those skills (for instance through the "maths camp" offered prior to the beginning of the Michaelmas term).

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Political Science and Political Economy* provides an introduction to political science and the ways in which it illuminates the political and policy processes of advanced liberal democratic states.

Game Theory for Political Science* introduces game theory and its applications to political science.

Causal Inference for Observational and Experimental Studies*

provides an introduction to the most commonly used methods for causal inference in the social sciences.

Applied Regression Analysis* covers linear regression modelling and binary, multinomial and ordinal logistic regression (or another option if student can demonstrate they have taken a course with multivariate regression).

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit (if full unit analysis course taken) or one and a half units (if half unit analysis course is taken) from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convener and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme is an excellent preparation for further research work or for a career in education, public administration or the private sector. It will also equip the students with the skills needed to pursue a PhD or conduct research in quantitative political science.

MSc Political Theory

lse.ac.uk/grad/pt

Application codes: M1UQ

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 39/145

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 in any discipline with a considered
interest in the relevant area (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

Political theory has been central to research and teaching at LSE since its founding in 1895. The Chair of Political Science in the Department of Government has been held by a succession of internationally recognised political theorists: Graham Wallas, Harold Laski, Michael Oakeshott, Maurice Cranston and Brian Barry. Currently, there are eight political theorists in the Department of Government, which is one of the largest concentrations of specialists in the world.

Political theorists in the Department work in areas such as multiculturalism, the history of political thought, including Kant and Marx, feminism, social choice theory and democracy, contemporary theories of justice, and non-Western traditions of political thinking. Members of the Political Theory Group in the Department also collaborate with colleagues from cognate disciplines in the School, including Law and Philosophy.

Political theory is the study of the good society. Public debate is dominated by controversies such as what justice requires of citizens and the state; what the most important rights and liberties are and how they can be protected; and whether political decisions should be made by majorities. Political theory provides a scholarly examination of these questions, informed by moral philosophy, legal theory, historical study, political science, and rational and social choice theory.

Applications are considered from all candidates with an upper second class honours degree in any discipline, with a strong interest in the areas of political theory taught on the MSc.

Programme details

All students study the compulsory half unit course Foundations of Political Theory and write a 10,000 word dissertation. In addition, students choose the equivalent of two and a half unit courses from the course options. Students are also able to study suitable courses from other programmes in

the Department and School, with the approval of the MSc course convenor.

Each student is assigned a personal tutor who is a member of the Political Theory Group. The personal tutor provides support for personal and academic well-being during the programme.

Students write a 10,000 word dissertation on a topic agreed with their supervisor. Previous dissertation titles include: "Rawls on global distributive justice", "Relativism, political liberalism, and impartiality", "On the nature and boundaries of right in Kant's political theory: an argument in favour of a right to revolution", "Liberal toleration and dissent: minority rights as a political challenge to democratic constitutional state", "What obligation, if any, do governments have to preserve cultural heritage?", "Is the debate between feminism and multiculturalism problematic in terms of women's autonomy?", "Methods in the history of political thought: a critique of different approaches to Thomas Hobbes."

Each half unit course is taught through ten weekly two-hour seminars. These take place in the first and second terms with two weeks of revision scheduled for the third term. Methods of assessment differ from course to course, and may include unseen written exams in the summer term and/or assessed essays. In addition you will meet with your supervisor and work on your dissertation.

If you are studying full-time you should arrange your study so that you are

not taking more than three courses (in addition to the Foundations of Political Theory course) in either of the first two terms. If you are studying part-time your programme will span two years. You must take the Foundations of Political Theory course in the first year along with up to three other half units (or equivalent, ie, one full unit and one half unit course); the remaining courses and the dissertation are completed during the second year.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Foundations of Political Theory* provides a systematic introduction to the philosophical and methodological foundations of political theory.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two and a half units (one for the research track) from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme is a good preparation for further research work or for a career in education, public administration or the private sector.

MSc Public Policy and Administration

lse.ac.uk/grad/ppa

Application codes: M1T3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 41/417

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 or equivalent in any discipline
(see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This programme offers an excellent preparation for further research work or for a career in the public sector, policy analysis and consultancy, international organisations, third sector organisations and the private sector. It is based in the Department of Government and offers high-quality teaching by leading scholars in public administration, public management, public policy and political science.

We will consider applicants with upper second class honours degrees in any discipline, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc.

Programme details

By taking appropriate combinations of courses students can obtain the MSc with a specialised stream in Comparative Public Policy and Administration or Public Management. Students can choose *one* specialisation to be noted on their degree certificates.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Approaches and Issues in Public Policy and Administration examines major issues in understanding public administration and policy.

Either **Public Management Theory and Doctrine*** looks at the key areas of public management with reference to both developed and lesser developed world contexts *or* **Comparative Public Policy Change*** examines explanations of policy change using cross-national comparison *or* **The Politics of Policy Advice*** looks at how policy advice is commissioned, produced, managed and used.

Either **Introduction to Quantitative Analysis*** covers the foundations of descriptive statistics and statistical estimation and inference *or* **Applied Regression Analysis*** is concerned with deepening students' understanding of the generalised linear model and its application to social science data.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of public management

and comparative public policy and administration options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates follow careers in a broad variety of fields including education, public policy research, advice and consultancy as well as government and the media. They have gone on to occupy senior positions in a range of organisations including the *Financial Times*, the National Audit Office, Morgan Stanley, the World Bank, leading universities and research institutes worldwide as well as the national, regional and local civil services of many countries.

MSc Regulation

lse.ac.uk/grad/reg

Application code: M3U8

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 28/94

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 degree in any discipline and interest in or experience of related areas of law, public administration, politics or economics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Law and the Department of Government and offers the following benefits:

- The chance to study regulation within a systematic framework – with the opportunity to specialise to suit your interests.
- The programme has a multidisciplinary core combining studies in law, political science and institutional economics.
- Our distinctive approach concentrates on institutional issues and behaviour in regulation – regulatory bureaucracies, interest groups, legislators and courts – in addition to the economic aspects of regulation. We aim to bring together the contrasting North American and European perspectives on regulation, and to juxtapose experience of regulatory practice with theoretical ideas about how regulation works.
- Teaching staff are leading researchers in the field; several are involved at the highest level in advising government and regulatory agencies. The core course is taught across all members

of the MSc Regulation team: Robert Baldwin, Julia Black, and Martin Lodge.

- LSE and London provide an international centre for the study and practice of regulation. There are regular talks from practitioners in the field and there are many opportunities to participate in seminars and conferences inside and outside the School. The Centre for Analysis of Risk and Regulation offers many opportunities to take part in leading edge research.

Regulatory growth and reform, like privatisation, has been an international “policy boom” in recent years.

Governments have increasingly used regulation in preference to other policy instruments. Regulation therefore plays a central role in the contemporary understanding of law and public policy. As a field of study, regulation requires a multi-disciplinary approach, because legal, political and economic issues are intertwined and each has to be understood to make sense of the overall process.

You should usually have achieved an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent and have an interest in, and experience of, related areas of law, public administration, politics or economics.

Programme details

The MSc Regulation is a truly interdisciplinary programme. You take a core seminar on Law and Politics of Regulation and then have the opportunity to specialise through your choice of

options and your dissertation topic. If you take two full courses (or equivalent) or a full course and a dissertation in one of the specialisms listed below, you may have this specialism included in your degree title, for example, MSc Regulation (Environmental Regulation).

Compulsory courses

Law and Politics of Regulation provides a central grounding in theories of regulation encountered in legal, political science and law and economics literatures.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from options in Environmental Regulation, Finance and Commercial Regulation, Social Regulation, Utilities Regulation and Government and Law.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates from the MSc Regulation have gone on to successful careers in politics and government, regulatory bodies, international organisations, law, finance and other regulated services, the media, non-governmental organisations and academia.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

lse.ac.uk/international-development

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 254

Research: 20

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 32

REF: 81 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Connaught House

The Department of International Development was established in 1990 to promote interdisciplinary graduate teaching and research on processes of social, political and economic development and change. The Department is dedicated to understanding problems of poverty and late development within local communities, national political and economic systems, and in the international system.

All faculty members are associated with top-ranked departments in the 2014 HEFCE Research Excellence Framework. Members of the Department have considerable experience of living and working in the developing world, and most have engaged in policy relevant research and consultancy work with international development agencies or non-governmental organisations.

Students in our MRes and research programmes come from all over the

world and have found employment in both academia and a wide variety of government, non-government, and private sector organisations working in the developing world. Recent placements include the DFID, ODI, World Bank, University of Leeds, Wesleyan University, LSE, Bank of England, and BRAC.

MRes/PhD International Development Visiting Research Students

Application code: Y2ZI, Y2ED (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MRes 1 year, PhD 3-4 years, VRS up to 9 months

Entry requirement: Strong academic record and graduate training, equivalent to a UK taught master's degree achieved with a high merit (65 average or above in coursework and 65 or above on the dissertation where one exists), including grounding in the appropriate social science theory, methodology, and languages relevant to the proposed research

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Highly recommended but not strictly required if student cannot attend to sit the test

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The

MRes/PhD Development Studies is part of the Political Science and International Studies group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). Department doctoral scholarships may be available to EU/UK and overseas applicants

Application deadline: 11 January 2016. Late applications can be considered until 27 April 2016, but candidates are advised that places for late admission are limited. Selection for funding is also based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents – by 11 January 2016

Opportunities for research

The Department of International Development has established a vibrant MRes/PhD programme with students employing a variety of disciplinary and interdisciplinary methods from across the social sciences to research questions of development around the globe.

From 2015 the MRes programme is normally the primary entry point to the research stream and replaces the first year (MPhil) of the PhD/MPhil programme. The MRes programme is designed to both train students in a common academic heritage and to provide significant flexibility to develop advanced methodological and theoretical skills within disciplinary specialisms appropriate to their research interests.

Prospective students should have a strong academic record and graduate training (at the MSc level) demonstrating a high standard of achievement. This includes any languages necessary for the proposed research and methodological and theoretical grounding in one of the social science disciplines.

Accepted students in the MRes degree that are planning to use advanced quantitative analysis in their PhD research are required to take the summer (September) Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics. Students must achieve a mark of 70 if they wish to request admission to any of the advanced (MRes level) methodology courses offered by the Department of Economics.

During the academic year MRes students acquire methodological training, language skills (if necessary), and background knowledge of specific topics related to their research by working closely with their supervisor and taking advanced methodology and theory courses at the Department or in the School, to a total of four full units of coursework. These include two and a half units of advanced methodology and theory courses (to be determined by the student's supervisor), a half unit course in Development Theory, History and Policy, and a one unit course on research design for which they will develop their PhD proposal. In addition all students participate in a 500-level research student seminar series where ongoing work is presented and debated.

Students that satisfactorily complete the four units of coursework, including their research proposal, will receive the MRes degree. MRes students who achieve an average mark of 65 across their three full course credits, and a mark of at least 65 on their PhD proposal, will be allowed to progress to the PhD programme.

Taught programmes

MSc African Development (see page 117)

MSc Development Management (see page 119)

MSc Development Studies (see page 120)

MSc International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies (see page 121)

MPA International Development (see page 171)

In addition to the programmes listed above, the Department contributes to:

MSc Anthropology and Development (see page 60)

MSc Environment and Development (see page 100)

MSc Political Economy of Late Development (see page 71)

MSc Population and Development (see page 167)

MSc Social Policy and Development (Non-Governmental Organisations) (see page 181)

MSc Urbanisation and Development (see page 108)

MSc African Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/afdm

Application code: L8UA

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 13/46

Minimum entry requirement: Good first degree (equivalent to a 2:1 in the UK system or a GPA of 3.5 or higher) in any subject, with social science or humanities an advantage (see page 40). As there are a large number of qualified students applying, we place importance on students' personal statements for applying to the programme

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc African Development programme aims to provide students with a high quality academic introduction to the study of politics, economic development, and economic policy in Africa. The programme employs political economy approaches to understand the variegated national trajectories of

African states, regionalism and localism in politics and economics, and the political and economic forces that shape Africa's insertion into the global economy. One core objective of the programme is to track the causes and effects of shifts over time in development theory and practice -- these have exerted powerful effects on public policy in Africa since the mid-twentieth century. A second objective will be to identify forces that produce political economy similarities and differences across and within African countries. A third is to consider the global, political and institutional, environmental, and technological changes that are shaping Africa's future.

The programme aims to recruit students from all over the world and will consider all applicants with degrees in any subject. A first degree in the social or policy sciences will provide useful skills and background. The course also welcomes applicants with backgrounds in fields related to health, earth sciences and natural resource management, agriculture, engineering, and business. As the programme requires intensive reading across a broad literature drawn from the various social science disciplines, students must have high proficiency in English to perform well.

Programme details

The MSc in African Development consists of the compulsory courses African Political Economy and African Development. Students combine this with either

Development: History, Theory, and Policy, or Development Management, or the half unit course in Key Issues in Development Studies plus one of the following half unit courses: International Institutions and Late Development, Global Health and Development, Complex Emergencies, or Managing Humanitarianism. Students are also required to do the full unit course in Research Design and Dissertation in Development Studies, which includes Social Research Methods in Developing Countries. Students then select courses to the value of one full unit from a wide range of optional courses from within LSE to broaden their disciplinary, substantive, and methodological training.

African Political Economy and African Development will require students to complete class assignments and formative essays, plus summer term exams. Other compulsory courses will also require formative essays and exams in the summer term. The MSc dissertation of approximately 10,000 words on a topic related to development in Africa allows you to tailor your studies to your academic and career objectives. Students are expected to participate in many of the public and departmental lectures, conferences, and workshop series that take place throughout the year at LSE, as well as in the Africa Film Discussion Series that is organised for this programme.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

African Political Economy* explores similarities and differences in contemporary

African states and social structures, and introduces different approaches to analysing African political economy.

African Development* is concerned with the political economy of African development, to examine processes of economic, political, social and cultural change in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Research Design and Dissertation in Development Studies, which includes **Social Research Methods in Developing Countries** introducing basic ingredients of modern social science research, with an emphasis on methods commonly employed in studies of development.

Either **Development: History, Theory, and Policy** which integrates the concepts and perspectives of a range of disciplines to consider social science approaches to major trends of development and change in modern history or **Development Management** which employs a political economy approach to examine the causes of development and non-development or **Key Issues in Development Studies*** which provides an overview of the key issues and debates in international development plus one of the following half unit courses: **International Institutions and Late Development*** which examines the politics of the international economy or **Global Health and Development*** which is concerned with inter-relationships between emerging challenges to human health in the developing world and their socio-economic

and political context or **Complex Emergencies*** which examines the consequences and causes of humanitarian disasters or **Managing Humanitarianism*** which looks at international, national and local responses to conflict and disaster.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convener and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Many LSE International Development students go on to pursue PhDs in related disciplines, and we anticipate that many African Development students will follow this path. We also expect that African Development MSc students, like other International Development students, will find opportunities in international aid agencies, NGOs, government agencies, the media, and research positions that allow them to employ the skills gained on the African Development degree programme.

MSc Development Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/dm

Application code: L1S4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 84/624

Minimum entry requirement: Good first degree (equivalent to a 2:1 in the UK system in any subject, with social science or humanities an advantage (see page 40). As there are a large number of qualified students applying, we place importance on students' personal statements for applying to the programme

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Early application is advised

The MSc in Development Management has been offered by the Department of International Development since 1996 and is one of our two main degrees. We currently admit around 85 students to this programme from over 600 applications each year.

Why are some countries rich and others poor? Why are some governed well and others badly? Why are some societies able to move onto virtuous cycles of rising living standards, rising productivity and spreading freedom, while others descend into poverty, chaos and war? How can development managers lead countries onto stable paths of development?

This programme approaches key comparative statics (ie, the distribution of wealth and poverty across countries) and comparative dynamics (ie, development as contingent processes over time) of international development through the economic, political and sociological analysis of institutions. We use institutional and organisational theory, alongside broader political economy approaches, to help students answer these questions. We critically evaluate the mechanisms that govern the operation of the different kinds of agency that are being used in developing

countries to promote progressive change. These mechanisms are expected to provide managers of state, private, and civic organisations with incentives that reward successful performance, and to make them more accountable to their clients, customers or beneficiaries. We review ongoing debates about the most effective ways of designing state agencies, private firms and NGOs in order to maximise the quality of their performance and contribution to development, emphasising the problems generated by attempts to introduce new practices and processes into late developing countries. We explore the dynamics of different forms of democratic and authoritarian politics, the determinants of good and poor governance, and how social, political and economic forces interact to drive change and stability. The programme provides an analytical basis for making practical judgements about institutional reform

programmes by showing how different kinds of institutions and organisations, political forces, bureaucracies, markets, and participatory and solidaristic agencies operate to promote or hinder development.

Programme details

This programme is centred on a compulsory course that employs a comparative political economy approach to examine the institutional roots of development and non-development. All students must take Development Management and complete a dissertation of up to 10,000 words. Students also participate in a live group "consultancy project" for a leading development agency, which forms part of their total assessment. Students have the opportunity to attend a weekly lecture series that brings to the School prominent scholars and practitioners who discuss the findings and methodological dimensions



of development research and/or problems of development practice. Students benefit from joining a highly selective and diverse group of fellow students, bringing practical experience from all over the world.

Compulsory courses

Development Management

employs a political economy approach to examine the causes of development and non-development.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from options in International Development, Economics, Employment Relations and Organisational Behaviour, Accounting, Gender, Geography, Government, Management, and Social Policy.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The analytical skills developed here have secured past graduates promising careers in organisations as diverse as central banks, NGOs, multilateral organisations, charities, investment banks, consultancies, manufacturing firms, religious missions, and as independent experts and writers.

MSc Development Studies

lse.ac.uk/grad/ds

Application code: Y2U6

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 99/703

Minimum entry requirement: Good first degree (equivalent to a 2:1 in the UK system) in any subject with social science or humanities an advantage (see page 40). As there are a large number of qualified students applying, we place importance on students' personal statements for applying to the programme

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Not required but will be considered if submitted

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Students are advised that applications received before the end of February stand the best chance for full consideration

This programme aims to provide students with a high quality academic training in the interdisciplinary field of development studies, using contemporary theory in the social sciences to understand the processes, policy and practice of development. The programme's core course allows students to acquire a solid understanding of the comparative experience of agricultural and industrial change across Asia, Africa and Latin America. Students gain an understanding of the major theoretical debates that have shaped the changing policies and practices of international organisations like the World Bank, the IMF and UN agencies. It provides students with alternative perspectives on central issues of international aid, trade, investment and finance, providing a strong foundation for future work in international development organisations, public and private sector organisations involved in development practice, or academic and policy research on development.

The MSc Development Studies offers students a wide range of choice in optional courses within the School so they can deepen or broaden disciplinary training, or take up the advanced study of a particular region of the developing world. Flexibility of dissertation topics allows students to shape their studies to their own needs and career objectives.

The MSc Development Studies brings together an exciting group of European and international students with a diversity of academic and professional backgrounds

who have gone on to establish an international alumni network involved in development research and practice. We will consider applicants with a background in any subject, although a first degree in a social science or humanities subject would be an advantage. As the programme requires intensive reading across a broad range of literature drawn from various social science disciplines, students must have a high proficiency in the English language to perform well.

The research track of this MSc has now been discontinued. If you have already applied for the research track, you will be considered for MSc Development Studies.

Programme details

Students must take the compulsory courses, Development: History, Theory and Policy; the component course on Social Research Methods in Developing Countries, and complete a 10,000 word dissertation. Students will also take the equivalent of two full units from the list of optional courses.

During the Michaelmas term students have the opportunity to attend a weekly lecture series in development research offered by faculty members based on their first-hand research experience. On average students will have about 13 hours of lectures and classes a week during Michaelmas term and nine and a half hours during Lent term plus the opportunity to meet with a faculty adviser during weekly office hours. Students also participate in a dissertation workshop

during Summer term, where they present and discuss their dissertation proposals.

Compulsory courses

Development: History, Theory and Policy is a full unit intensive core course, which allows students to study the theories and historical experience of development, as well as the cutting-edge policy debates and development practice of the present. The course provides students with a strong foundation to engage with the economic, political and social dimensions of development policy and practice. By meeting throughout the Michaelmas and Lent Terms at weekly lectures and in much more intimate weekly classes, students build a comprehensive and coherent foundation to bring together the diverse optional courses they choose in their individually designed programme of study.

Dissertation including Social Research Methods in Developing Countries and dissertation workshops.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from options in Anthropology, Economic History, Economics, Gender, Geography and Environment, Government, International Relations, Law, Population Studies and Social Policy.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convener and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Recent graduates have gained employment in government, international development agencies, international and local non-governmental organisations (NGOs), international and local private firms, development consultancies and think-tanks, or have gone on to obtain PhDs in development studies or other social science disciplines.

MSc International Development and Humanitarian Emergencies

lse.ac.uk/grad/idhe

Application code: L9U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 50/338

Minimum entry requirement:

Good first degree (equivalent to a 2:1 in the UK system) in any subject with social science or humanities an advantage (see page 40). As there are a large number of qualified students applying, we place importance on students' personal statements for applying to the programme

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Early application is advised

This programme is based in the Department of International Development and offers the following benefits:

- core courses on key issues in international development and humanitarian crises
- work on a team-based policy project for a humanitarian or development-sector organisation
- a choice of options from a wide range of highly rated courses within the Department and in other departments specialising in political economy, public policy and management
- contact with a highly selected group of fellow students, bringing practical experience from all over the world

Programme details

All students take the core courses and complete a dissertation of up to 10,000 words. Students also participate in a practical policy project which forms part of their total assessment. You have the opportunity to attend a departmental weekly lecture series that brings to the School prominent scholars and practitioners who discuss the findings and methodological dimensions of

development research and/or problems of development practice.

The programme also benefits from its own voice of experience lecture series (previous speakers have included senior staff from major UN and NGO organisations), a free weekend workshop on humanitarian programme management and evaluation, and an opportunity to attend an optional three day trip to Geneva in order to visit key humanitarian organisations.

Compulsory courses

(half unit*)

Key Issues in Development Studies* provides an overview of the key issues and debates in international development.

Humanitarian Consultancy Project* students gain practical experience of dealing with current policy issues and best practice in the fields of humanitarian assistance or international development by working on a live consultancy team project for a real client.

Managing Humanitarianism* covers key issues in the development and functioning of the UN and NGO elements of the humanitarian system as well as a disaster case study.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from options in Anthropology,

Development Studies, Government, International Relations and Social Policy.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Recent graduates have secured promising professional careers in public, private and voluntary agencies dealing with development and humanitarian problems at both national and international levels.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Strengthening civil society in developing countries through targeted aid

Professor Jude Howell helped the Australian Government refine its efforts to strengthen the role and effectiveness of civil society in developing countries.

INTERNATIONAL HISTORY

lse.ac.uk/internationalHistory

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 156

Research: 30

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 28

REF: 78 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: East Building

Founded in 1954, the Department of International History is one of the youngest departments at LSE. But in its short life, it has risen to become one of the top five university history departments in the UK, thanks to both its internationally renowned graduate programme and research record. Its reputation as a centre of new developments in the study of international history is now recognised as a separate school of thought; the "London School".

Like the other departments at the School, it grew up around a Chair and a special subject within the BSc (Econ) degree introduced after the Second World War. The Chair itself dates back into the inter-war period and is one of the two Chairs founded by Sir Daniel Stevenson, the other being at the Royal Institute of International Affairs. From 1932 the Stevenson Chair, as it came to be called at the School, formed

the nucleus of the emerging Department of International History.

LSE's Department of International History teaches and conducts research on the international history of Britain, Europe and the world from the early modern era up to the present day. The Department has a staff of 29, around 200 graduate students and 200 undergraduates. Its academic excellence and the cosmopolitan nature of the teaching staff and the student body contribute to making LSE one of the world's leading centres for the study of international history.

The results from the last round of the UK's national Research Excellence Framework (REF) in 2014 placed LSE History's joint entry with the Department of Economic History and the Department of International History as fourth best in the UK based on the combination of quality of publications and number of staff submitted.

The Department of International History is an ideal location for those wishing to explore world history. The courses offered, at both undergraduate and graduate levels cover a wide range of cultures and periods, and allow students to build upon and move beyond the nationally based histories normally taught at school and in many other universities. The opportunities to study single countries in greater depth are thus flanked by the option of examining wider regions (the Middle East for example) or movements and trends which affect numerous countries (nationalism, the Cold War, European integration).

Particular areas of expertise include Europe, the Middle East, Africa, China, India, Japan and the United States.

The Department's teaching builds upon a long-standing tradition and it retains the reputation as one of the leading world centres for the study of international history. The current staff have all built up a considerable expertise in one or more regions of the world, are actively involved in international research, and bring their knowledge and experience to bear in their teaching and their supervision.

The cosmopolitan nature of the student body itself only reinforces LSE's claim to be an ideal centre for international history. Amongst the nationalities represented in the current student body are members of different European nations, the Americas, Sri Lankans, Russians, Chinese, Armenians, Chileans, Israelis, Icelanders and South Africans. As a result, any class discussion of past and present international controversies is enriched by a wide range of national viewpoints and perspectives. Being situated in central London itself further strengthens this international approach, since the surrounding city is cosmopolitan in both outlook and population. It not only hosts a rich mixture of cultural events, but is also well equipped with the libraries and archives that are crucial to the study of history.

LSE thus represents a logical choice as a location for the study of international history, at undergraduate and graduate level.

MPhil/PhD International History Visiting Research Students

Application code: V1ZH (MPhil/PhD), V1EH (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Taught master's degree in related discipline. Applicants should have obtained an overall 67 per cent or over and 67 per cent on their dissertation

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36)

Application deadline: None. However, the first full round of applications will be considered in March, and potential candidates are encouraged to submit their applications in advance of this period. If you wish to be considered for LSE studentships and scholarships you should apply by 11 January 2016

Opportunities for research

Research students will initially be registered for the MPhil. In June of the first year you will produce an extended written submission. If this demonstrates

satisfactory progress in your research you will be able to register for the PhD. We will continue to monitor your progress each year.

In addition to research involving the more common European languages, we can also supervise work drawing on materials in Russian, Hebrew, Arabic, Chinese and Japanese, among others.

Throughout your registration as an MPhil/PhD student you will undertake a research training programme as well as working on your thesis. In your first year the training programme includes a preliminary workshop where members of the Department present practical issues of relevance to new researchers in the Michaelmas term and students make presentations of preliminary findings in the Lent and Summer terms. It also includes introductory seminars at the Institute of Historical Research and attendance at a specialised research seminar as well as elements tailored specifically for your requirements, including courses in computing and foreign languages. In the second and subsequent years you will continue your research training by, among other things, participating in the Department's advanced workshop and at least one specialised research seminar while you are in London, and by developing other skills specific to your needs.

The LSE Library is an outstanding resource for the history of international relations, with substantial printed primary and secondary source materials, journals, IT and computing facilities. Students will

also be able to draw on an unparalleled diversity of other library and archival resources in London, often close to LSE. These include libraries in the University of London, the School of Oriental and African Studies, and the Institute of Historical Research (whose collections cover all major types and areas of manuscripts), the German Historical Institute, and the National Archives (formerly the Public Record Office) as well as a number of more specialised archives.

As a research student you will be able to attend meetings of the History Society and use the Department's computer rooms. You will also be encouraged to participate in the lively series of lectures and seminars organised in the Department itself, LSE and at other, nearby specialist institutes related to your research.

Taught programmes

MSc Empires, Colonialism and Globalisation (see page 123)

MSc History of International Relations (see page 124)

MSc Theory and History of International Relations (see page 124)

LSE-PKU Double MSc Degree in International Affairs (see page 210)

LSE-Columbia Double MA Degree in International and World History (see page 211)

MSc Empires, Colonialism and Globalisation

lse.ac.uk/grad/ecg

Application code: V3UE

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 20/65

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admission

This programme focuses on the phenomenon of imperialism and a series of related issues, including technologies and ideologies of empire, notions of race and gender, economic development and underdevelopment, as well as globalisation.

Programme details

Students study a compulsory course designed to provide students with a broad knowledge of empires from the 14th century to the present day, complemented by a wide range of

specialist options from the Departments of International Development, Government, Economic History, International History and Geography, as well as the European Institute and the Gender Institute.

Students engage at an advanced level with the latest academic research in the field, and undertake their own research based term papers and third term dissertation.

Compulsory courses

Empire, Colonialism and Globalisation examines the political and cultural history of empires and their legacies in the contemporary world.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students develop highly transferable skills valued by employers and go on to work in the foreign service, the EU, political think tanks, risk assessment, journalism, the NGO sector, or stay on to take a research degree.

MSc History of International Relations

lse.ac.uk/grad/hir

Application code: V1S7

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 54/181

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This is the Department's most popular master's programme and is intended for those seeking a taught graduate programme in history at its most international. It also caters for a wide variety of students, including those who have studied history at an undergraduate level and those who are making the transition from related subjects such as political science, modern languages, economics, law or journalism.

Programme details

Students take at least two specialised history options, choosing from options that

span the globe geographically and range chronologically from the Renaissance to the end of the Cold War. Students also have the opportunity of doing a relevant course offered by another LSE department, and to prepare a detailed, research-based 10,000 word dissertation.

All of the teaching is done either by the Department's full-time academic staff or specially engaged post-doctoral teaching staff. The teaching is therefore very much in line with LSE's emphasis on research-led teaching – in other words, instruction by those who are at the cutting edge of their disciplines.

Students take courses to the value of three full units, only one of which can be an outside option and a dissertation.

Compulsory course

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students develop highly transferable skills valued by employers and go on to work in the foreign service, the EU, political think tanks, risk assessment, journalism, the NGO sector, or stay on to take a research degree.

MSc Theory and History of International Relations

lse.ac.uk/grad/thir

Application code: V1S8

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 29/145

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This is a joint degree with the International Relations Department which allows students to sample courses in both departments. Those taking the programme therefore gain a feel for both international relations theory, taught by leading experts in the field, and recent international history. This gives students a chance to understand and appreciate both the theoretical and the empirical approach to the study of international relations.

Programme details

The structure of the degree is intended to ensure a good balance between the two disciplines. Students choose one broad course in each department, before using their third option to select one of the many highly specialised courses offered by the two departments. They then complete their degree by doing a history dissertation, which will give them a chance to conduct their own empirical research on a detailed historical case-study.

The degree thus represents an excellent preparation for those contemplating further research in either international history or international relations, as well as being accessible to those who are making the transition from related disciplines such as political science, modern languages, economics, law or journalism. The programme provides students with the opportunity to specialise in a wide range of geographical regions or other aspects of international relations including world wars, East-West conflict,

European integration, the role of political doctrines and ideologies, revolutions and national liberation struggles. It's also a way to benefit from the expertise of two highly-rated LSE Departments.

Compulsory course

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an excellent preparation for careers in business, consulting, government, international agencies, the media, politics and law, or for advanced academic research.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Applying lessons from the Aceh conflict to EU peacekeeping missions

Dr Kirsten Schulze's research has contributed to better application of human security principles in other peacekeeping missions.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

[lse.ac.uk/ internationalRelations](http://lse.ac.uk/internationalRelations)

**Number of graduate students
(full-time equivalent)**

Taught: 218

Research: 53

Number of faculty: 35

REF: 88 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Clement House

International Relations has been taught at LSE since 1924. The Department was the first of its kind, and has remained a world centre for the development of the subject ever since. In the 2014 REF, the Department's research output, along with that of the Government Department, was the top rated within the UK with 88 per cent of its research characterised as world leading or internationally excellent. This continued the trend of highly ranked research in the 2001 and 2008 RAE.

The Department is sometimes associated with the development of a specifically "English" school of international relations and a number of its leading figures have taught at LSE, including Wight, Bull, Vincent, Donelan and Mayall. Many other developments in the subject have also been pioneered here including aspects of foreign policy analysis, international security, international organisations, international political economy, post-positivist international theory, normative international

theory, and global historical sociology. The Department also has expertise in particular geographic areas ranging across Europe, the US, China, the Middle East, Eurasia, South Asia, Asia-Pacific, Africa, and Central and Latin America.

The Department has always been strongly international in character and today the majority of our graduate students, a good proportion of our undergraduates, as well as many members of the faculty are drawn from Europe, North America and further afield. At the same time we have always prided ourselves as having both a national and an international role in training diplomats and future university teachers. At least fifty former students are now teaching international relations in universities both in Britain and abroad.

MPhil/PhD International Relations Visiting Research Students

Application code: M1ZR (MPhil/PhD), M1ER (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016.
No January or April intake

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Normally a master's degree with an overall merit (at least 65 percent) or its equivalent and a strong merit or its equivalent in the master's dissertation in a subject relevant to proposed research

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD International Relations is part of the Political Science and International Studies group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). You should indicate in your application if you wish to be considered for this and will be contacted by the Department directly if selected

Application deadline: 11 January 2016. After this date, only self-funded applications will be considered

Note: Your application should include a detailed research proposal, along with a short abstract (200 words maximum). Applicants are expected to look at the research interests of staff on the Department's web pages to ensure that their proposed area of research coincides with that of at least one member of staff. Those applicants being considered for a place on the programme will be interviewed by relevant members of staff prior to a final decision being made

Opportunities for research

We provide supervision for research leading to a PhD degree across the range of international relations fields. You should

define your research interest as precisely as possible when you apply. MPhil/PhD International Relations applicants are normally required to have a master's degree with marks equivalent to an overall merit and a strong merit on the dissertation in a subject relevant to their proposed research. UK/EU students may wish to apply for the MSc International Relations (Research) with a view to applying for an ESRC 1+3 research studentship. If successful in obtaining an ESRC grant, a student would be entitled to continue to the MPhil/PhD programme upon completion of the master's with an overall merit and a strong merit on the dissertation.

Programme details

In the first year of your research you attend the International Relations Research Methods Training Seminar which explores the theoretical and practical problems associated with a piece of major research. Study concentrates on epistemological and theoretical issues, with special reference to the context and literature of international relations, and time is also devoted to problems arising from source materials, methodology and normative dilemmas. First year research students are also required to attend the International Relations Research Design Workshop; this is to help you in designing a well thought out and manageable thesis.

You will also have access to courses in general social science methodology offered by LSE's Department of Methodology. One of these forms part of the two international relations research master's courses: Foundations of Social Research, comprising three modules in

Quantitative Analysis, Fundamentals of Research Design and Qualitative Research. If you have not already taken a Research track master's degree you will need to attend a course offered by the Teaching and Learning Centre on Authoring a PhD and Developing as a Researcher and a Library course on Information Skills.

During the course of your research we require that you take part in at least one of the Department's thematic research workshops. These are organised and chaired by members of staff. They usually entail a mixture of presentations by established researchers and presentations of work in progress by research students. They provide a means for placing your research within the wider context of ongoing debates and concerns in the areas related to your research topic.

You will also find it beneficial to attend the weekly editorial board meetings of *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, the student-run journal.

Your progress is reviewed annually by a Research Panel and you would normally be upgraded from MPhil to PhD status by the end of your second year. This requires submission of an outline and three draft chapters of your thesis to your supervisor and the subsequent approval of your supervisor and the Panel. You need to make sufficient progress each year to be allowed to re-register.

Application process and supporting documentation

An offer of admission is based upon the quality of your research proposal, references,

prior academic and/or professional achievement, the relevance of your proposed research topic to the research interests of members of the Department, a sample of your academic writing and an interview with prospective supervisor(s) and the Doctoral Programme Director.

Personal statement

Researching for, and writing, a doctoral thesis is an enjoyable intellectual experience, but also a demanding one. It is crucially important, therefore, that you embark on this process, starting with the application, with realistic views of what doing a PhD actually consists of, as well as with a good sense of what your reasons are for doing it. Your personal statement should state clearly your motivation, academic interests and your purpose and objectives in applying for the MPhil/PhD in the Department of International Relations. The statement should be between 1,000 and 1,500 words.

Research proposal

To be eligible for admission to the MPhil/PhD programme, you need to have more than a vaguely defined research topic. Your research proposal should be written as clearly and concisely as possible and should address the following questions:

- What is your general topic and how is it located within the study of international relations?
- What question do you want to answer?
- What is the key literature and its limitations?

- What are the main hypotheses you wish to explore and the argument you intend to develop?
- What methodology do you intend to use?
- What are your case studies, if any, and what are your case selection criteria?
- Which member(s) of the Department might be suitable supervisors and why?

The quality of your written proposal is very important. This proposal will allow us to assess the potential of the proposed project and especially the availability of appropriate supervision within the Department. It is on the basis of the research proposal and supporting documentation that a decision will be made on whether to offer an interview for admission to the programme.

The length of your research proposal should be between six to eight pages. In addition, you should include a brief abstract (200 words maximum) of your proposed research topic.

You may wish to contact a member of staff by email prior to your application to discuss your research proposal and its relevance to their research interests, though the Department cannot guarantee that all members of staff will be able to respond. If you have discussed your proposed research with a member of the Department's academic staff, you should indicate their name in your proposal.

It is important that you ensure that there is a convergence between your proposed research topic and the research interests of a member of the Department. If your

proposed area of research falls outside the interests of the Department's staff or there is no appropriate member of staff to supervise your topic, then you are unlikely to be offered a place no matter how good the research proposal or your academic qualifications.

It is worth noting that there is no "political science" department at LSE. International Relations, Government, International Development and the European Institute are all distinct departmental entities. Therefore, it is unlikely that arrangements for joint supervision with members of staff across those departments will take place. If the relevant potential supervisor for your proposed research is located in a department other than International Relations you should make your application to their doctoral research programme.

References

You should provide two references from people who are familiar with your academic work and, ideally, who are able to comment on your proposed field of research. It is your responsibility to make contact with your referees promptly to allow your application to be completed in time.

Sample piece of academic work

You should provide a sample piece of academic work (an essay or research paper) which will allow the selectors to gauge the quality and clarity of your writing, your critical analytical abilities and your research skills.

Registration

The International Relations Department does not admit part-time research

students. First year research students are expected to register from the beginning of the Michaelmas term in order to attend compulsory research training courses.

You may find it helpful to read the International Relations Department's FAQs web page for prospective research applicants.

Graduate destinations

The programme has provided excellent career prospects for students wishing to pursue careers in academia (primarily in the UK, Europe, and US), policy related research in think tanks and research institute, and positions with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations.

Taught programmes

MSc International Strategy and Diplomacy (see page 224)

MSc International Political Economy (see page 127)

MSc International Political Economy (Research) (see page 127)

MSc International Relations (see page 128)

MSc International Relations (Research) (see page 128)

MSc International Relations Theory (see page 129)

LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Affaires Internationales (see page 206) and *either* International Relations *or* International Political Economy

MSc International Political Economy MSc International Political Economy (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/ipe

Application codes: M1UW, (M1UJ Research)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time; 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 73/471

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in politics, economics, history, international relations or similar discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

These programmes are intended for graduates with an upper second class honours degree in politics, economics, history, international relations and other degrees with similar content.

The MSc International Political Economy is an advanced, academic study of the subject and would be suitable if you plan to progress to a career that might have an

international focus. The MSc International Political Economy (Research) is designed as a preparation for future research work if you are entering the field from another related discipline, or if you wish to focus particularly on methodological training. It is not necessary to decide which programme you prefer until you submit your option choices in the Michaelmas term, normally in mid-October.

Programme details

The majority of the teaching takes place in the Michaelmas and Lent terms. You must also submit a 10,000 word dissertation by 1 September.

For those interested in taking the LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in International Affairs, comprising of a one year MSc programme at Sciences Po, Paris followed by MSc International Relations or International Political Economy, see page 206.

Applicants should note that these programmes focus on political economy and do not specialise in international economics. Although economic concepts are taken very seriously, the focus is firmly upon the political determinants and effects of economic outcomes.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

International Political Economy* provides an advanced introduction to concepts and contending approaches in international political economy, and an overview of the evolution of international economic relations since the late nineteenth century.

Dissertation

Research track:

Either **Foundations of Social Research 1** or **Foundations of Social Research 2** – both courses are designed to give students a good introduction to quantitative and qualitative methods.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two and a half units for the non-research track and one and a half units for the research track from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme has provided excellent prospects for early-career graduates, seeking entry to graduate programmes at top global firms, as well as for experienced graduates looking to reposition themselves for more senior roles. We have alumni in banking and financial journalism and in major consulting companies such as Ernst & Young, as well as in a wide range of governmental and non-governmental organisations throughout the world. A good number of our graduates continue on to research degrees and the academic profession.

MSc International Relations MSc International Relations (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/ir

Application codes: M1UR
(M1UI Research)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time;
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 96/884

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in politics, history, international relations or similar disciplines (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The MSc International Relations (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions (though application by the 11 January 2016 is advisable and required for consideration for ESRC funding)

The MSc International Relations is an advanced, academic study of the subject. It is suitable if you plan to progress to a career that might have an international focus. The MSc International Relations

(Research) is designed as a preparation for research work and includes methodology courses. It is suitable for those students intending to proceed to a research degree and an academic career. Those intending to apply for ESRC funding should note that only the Research programme is eligible. It will not normally be possible to transfer from one programme to the other on arrival.

Programme details

Most of the teaching takes place in the Michaelmas and Lent terms. A 10,000 word dissertation must be submitted by 1 September.

For those interested in taking the LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Affaires Internationales, comprising a one year MSc programme at Sciences Po Paris followed by MSc International Relations or International Political Economy see page 206.

Compulsory courses

Non-research track:

International Politics provides an historical and theoretical analysis of core concepts in international relations, of the normative and analytic issues involved, and of their relationship to the social sciences in general.

Dissertation

Research track:

Theories of International Relations covers the main explanatory and

normative paradigms in international relations theory.

Either **Foundations of Social Research 1** or **Foundations of Social Research 2**

both courses are designed to give students a good introduction to quantitative and qualitative methods.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units for the non-research track and one unit for the research track from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Most of our former MSc students go on to work in government, international organisations, financial institutions, journalism and corporations, but some continue on to research degrees and the academic profession.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Strengthening policies to protect human rights and prevent genocide

Professor Karen Smith's research has influenced EU policies intended to protect human rights and to prevent genocide and other mass atrocities.

MSc International Relations Theory

lse.ac.uk/grad/irt

Application code: L2UG

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 11 months full-time; 23 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 20/140

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in international relations, politics, history, sociology, philosophy or related disciplines (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc in International Relations Theory is based in the Department of International Relations and offers the following benefits:

- study in a leading world centre for the subject, situated in the only UK institution devoted to the social sciences, and in a thriving research community which (together with the Government Department) received one of the highest rankings in the 2014 REF
- a strong focus on theory together with a wide range of optional subjects
- the opportunity to participate in the editing and production of *Millennium*, one of the leading international relations journals

The programme is designed for students who want to look deeply at the theoretical aspects of international relations. Materials to be studied include classical and contemporary forms of realism and liberalism, the "English School", constructivism, critical approaches to the subject, normative theory, and feminist scholarship. The programme is particularly suitable for those students intending to proceed to a research degree and an academic career, but will also be of interest to anyone who wishes to deepen their conceptual grasp of contemporary IR.

Programme details

Most of the teaching takes place in the Michaelmas and Lent terms. A 10,000 word dissertation must be submitted by 1 September.

Compulsory courses

Theories of International Relations covers the main explanatory and normative approaches in international relations theory.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Most of our former MSc students go on to work in government, international organisations, financial institutions, journalism and corporations, but a good number continue on to research degrees and the academic profession.

LAW

lse.ac.uk/law

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 311

Research: 30

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 68

REF: 85 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: New Academic Building

As a Department, we are committed to the view that an understanding of law can be achieved only by examining it in its social, economic and policy context. This approach builds upon our distinctive strength of being situated in a school of social sciences with an international reputation.

These qualities are reflected in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework, in which the Department had the highest percentage of world leading 4* publications of any UK institution. In light of the fact that nearly all members of staff in the Law Department were submitted to REF 2014 this is a remarkable achievement.

In the overall ranking, aggregating scores for research outputs, impact of research on policy, and academic environment the Department was placed in second place in the country league table. When adjusted to take account of the percentage of full time staff submitted to REF, LSE Law is by some distance the number one UK Law School for overall research quality.

The Law Department is one of the three largest departments at the School with 20 professors and over 45 other full-time academic staff. In

addition, a large number of emeritus and visiting professors and other teachers drawn from legal practice participate in teaching and research.

Students come from all over the world. Demand greatly exceeds the number of places available and we have to be very selective.

MPhil/PhD Law MPhil/PhD Socio-Legal Theory Visiting Research Students

Application code: M3ZL (Law), M3ZS (Socio-Legal Theory), M3EL (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months

Entry requirement: LLM or equivalent with an average of 70 per cent. Applicants who have performed exceptionally well in their dissertation will be considered

English requirement: Law score (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Law (Socio-Legal Studies pathway) is part of the Social Policy group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). Law Department Scholarships and LSE Fellowships

Application deadline: 27 April 2016. The selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place earlier. The funding deadline is 11 January 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

We invite applications for research in all areas of staff interest and expertise and are particularly keen to encourage the development of research in legal theory and socio-legal studies.

The normal entry requirement for the MPhil/PhD programme is an average of



70 per cent on the LLM or equivalent qualification, though the requirement may be applied flexibly, in particular to candidates who have performed exceptionally well in a dissertation. The number of students we accept is limited. With your application you should give the title of a broad general area in which you wish to undertake research, and a detailed outline (three or four pages) of a specific topic within that field indicating the ways in which you consider that extended scholarly research and analysis in the field will make a significant and original contribution to knowledge. You should also give some indication of the materials you expect to use, where you expect to find them and the methods of analysis you propose to use. If the proposal takes the form of a theoretical hypothesis, you should indicate how you propose to test it.

You will have research training through LSE's research methods courses run by the Department of Methodology, and at departmental level through the Law Department research seminar. This consists of presentations concentrating on the methodological problems of legal and socio-legal research, by members of staff, visiting speakers and research students. You are expected to attend the seminar and give presentations on your work. Some students are given the opportunity to develop their CV by teaching undergraduates. Doctoral students are also invited to staff seminars and seminars given by other PhD students.

Registration as a visiting research student is for those who do not wish to proceed to

a higher degree, but want to pursue their own research with a supervisor who can act as a sounding board and make some of the necessary contacts for empirical research. Applicants wishing to undertake some aspect of their research in the UK must be doctoral students currently registered for the PhD degree at another university. Some seminars and classes can be attended, subject to the advice and approval of the supervisor and teachers concerned. No degree or diploma is awarded, but an appropriate certificate of attendance can be provided on request.

The main resources for research students are the LSE Library, the Library of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, other University of London college libraries and the University Library.

Computer facilities are provided for doctoral students on the sixth floor of the New Academic Building.

Taught programmes

LLM (see page 131)

Executive LLM (see page 225)

We also take part in a number of interdisciplinary programmes including:

MSc Criminal Justice Policy (see page 175)

MSc Human Rights (see page 194)

MSc Law and Accounting (see page 133)

MSc Law, Anthropology and Society (see page 134)

MSc Regulation (see page 115)

LLM

lse.ac.uk/grad/llm

Application code: M3U1, M3U4
(extended part-time)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 or 48 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014:
262/1,675

Minimum entry requirement:
An undergraduate degree in law
(LLB or equivalent) (see page 40)

English requirement: Law score
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £14,208;
overseas £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). UK/EU students are eligible for the Marchant Foundation Scholarship (one award of £10,000). Margaret Bennett Scholarship (one award of £5,000). Olive Stone Memorial Scholarship (£10,000 fund normally divided between beneficiaries)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Early applications have a greater chance of being successful and of meeting financial support/scholarship deadlines

Admission to the LLM is highly selective. The LLM selectors must choose from a large pool of well-qualified candidates. In

evaluating applications, the selectors take into consideration the applicant's grades and class rank, letters of reference, the coherence of the applicant's proposed programme of study, and any significant professional accomplishments. LSE's LLM applicants typically originate from up to 100 countries and the grades normally required for admission are tailored to the system of legal education in the countries from which applicants have obtained, or will obtain, their qualifications.

Places are normally only offered to applicants with very good grades in their law studies (for example, a first or very high upper second in the UK LLB), and who rank amongst the best graduates of their law schools. Applicants with a very good degree in another discipline together with very good grades in an appropriate graduate diploma in law (such as the UK's Graduate Diploma in Law) may also qualify for a place. Applicants without an educational background in law may apply, but would need to demonstrate a high level of professional or academic experience in areas closely related to the subjects they wish to study in order to be considered for a place.

Since 2013-14 all LLM courses have been half unit courses. Students take seven taught half units of their choice plus a compulsory half unit Legal Research and Writing Skills course (which is assessed by a 10,000 word dissertation). Many of the taught half unit courses are freestanding but some courses are linked together in so far as taking one is a pre-condition of taking another. Even in such cases of linkage, however, the individual half units will be assessed separately.



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LLM PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

CHEVENING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

LSE is the place to be to study feminist international law. After graduating from Auckland Law School, I was a gender consultant for two years at UN Women, the United Nations agency for gender equality, in New York and Bangkok, and my colleagues recommended LSE.

Law at LSE has a strong focus on Public International Law, and I have especially enjoyed studying critical theoretical and interdisciplinary approaches to the law. I have made the most of LSE's social science offerings by studying two fantastic courses at LSE's Gender Institute, one on gender, development and globalisation and one on gender and militarisation.

I think the diversity of academic staff and students is one of the many remarkable things about LSE. It really is a mini UN, and each year is full of amazing, talented people.

With fellow LLM students, I co-founded LSE Pro Bono Matters, LSE Law's first postgraduate pro bono students' initiative working on social justice and public interest law projects. Our work has included writing a submission to the UK Law Commission, and compiling a report to the UN expert panel reviewing the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security.

After graduation I will continue working as an international lawyer focussed on gender and development.



There are around 120 courses on the LLM although not all courses are offered every year; students should therefore confirm the availability of courses they regard as crucial to their study plans. They should also consider the terms in which their favoured courses will be offered so that their work can be spread manageably across the Michaelmas and Lent terms.

Formal study is supported by several series of evening "LLM Specialist Seminars" in which leading practitioners, judges and scholars in various legal fields discuss matters of current controversy or special complexity with students in informal small group sessions. Last year, around 50 such sessions were delivered.

Programme details

Students can choose courses from the whole range of Law options (subject to timetable constraints and class size requirements). Alternatively, students may obtain approval to take one or in exceptional circumstances two complementary subjects from another master's degree at LSE in place of the equivalent number of law subjects. For example, international lawyers may choose to take a course in international relations; criminologists may take a course in sociology; constitutional lawyers may take a course in political theory; and company lawyers may take a course in financial reporting.

The Law Department attaches great importance to active participation by students taking LLM courses. Accordingly, LLM courses are typically

taught through seminars of no more than 30 students which meet for two hours each week. Courses with historically large enrolments are taught through lectures but the lectures are supplemented by regular small-group classes. Students are expected to prepare by reading prior to seminars and classes.

Examinations usually take place in June, though a small number will be timetabled for the start of the Lent term on a trial basis and dissertations are submitted towards the end of August.

Part-time students take four half unit courses each year. Students may also register on an extended part-time basis, taking two half unit courses each year. It is usually possible to satisfy continuing professional education requirements by pursuing the LLM part-time. Part-time students attend the same sessions as full-time students, so students will need to confirm that course timetabling does not conflict with their other commitments.

If students take courses which fall predominantly within one specialist area they can request that their chosen specialism be included in the name of the degree for example, LLM Public International Law, LLM Labour Law. The recognised specialist areas are indicated below:

- Banking and Financial Regulation
- Competition, Innovation and Trade
- Corporate and/or Commercial Law
- Corporate and Securities Law
- Criminology and Criminal Justice

- European Law
- Human Rights Law
- Information Technology, Media and Communications Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- International Business Law
- Labour Law
- Legal Theory
- Public International Law
- Public Law
- Taxation

Compulsory Course

Legal Research and Writing Skills will provide a distinct series of lectures and tutorials on legal research skills to assist in the writing of a dissertation on a topic of the student's choice.

Supervision of dissertation writing will be standardised across the programme, with two half-hour supervisory meetings to be offered to each student, one in the middle of the Lent term, and one in the summer term. The mark for the dissertation will constitute one eighth of that for the degree (since the dissertation counts as a half unit) but the importance of the dissertation is reflected in a requirement that a distinction in the LLM will require the award of at least a merit mark (60 per cent or above) for the dissertation.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission

of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The LLM programme provides excellent prospects for graduates seeking to start their career with a Training Contract in UK and international firms both in London and major commercial centres around the world, with in-house legal departments or government legal services. Some graduates go on to pursue a career at the Bar. Graduates with a legal qualification from their home jurisdictions and relevant experience join a variety of employers in legal and other sectors such as financial and management consulting. Others may continue their careers in national, regional and international courts or work in a legal capacity within an NGO or Multilateral Organisation. The LSE LLM also provides an excellent starting point for those wishing to pursue a PhD and or a career in academia. Recent employers who have hired graduates from this programme include Clifford Chance, Schoenherr, White & Case, Wolf Theiss, Diageo, Louis Vuitton, Australian Attorney General's Office, 4 Kings Bench Walk Chambers, PWC and the Human Rights Commission.

MSc Law and Accounting

lse.ac.uk/grad/la

Application code: MN34

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 30/261

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in law, accounting, management, business or economics (see page 40)

English requirement: Law score (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme draws on the resources of the Department of Law and Department of Accounting and is intended for graduates with an upper second class honours degree in law or accounting or a degree which contains elements of law or accounting. Some management, business and economics degrees may also be accepted.

Programme details

Students take courses to the value of four full units – one full unit compulsory

interdisciplinary course, courses to the value of one full unit each in law and accounting (the choice depending on your specialist background), and one further full unit option.

Teaching for the compulsory course and law courses will be primarily through seminars. Teaching in the accounting courses will normally be by a combination of lectures and classes or seminars.

The compulsory course is examined by an interdisciplinary long essay and a two-hour examination. The other courses are examined mainly by examination but students should check requirements for individual courses.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Corporate Accountability: Topics in Legal and Accounting Regulation acquaints students with the central issues faced by law and accounting in relation to problems of corporate accountability and regulation. It is interdisciplinary in focus, and provides students from varying backgrounds with new perspectives.

Either Financial Reporting in Capital Markets (for those with a background in accounting), which is intended to enhance the student's ability to relate economic events to financial statements and disclosures. It also seeks to aid in developing a coordinated set of concepts and principles to serve as a framework for analysing a wide variety of financial reporting issues or

Management Accounting, Decisions and Control*, which provides

students with an introduction to issues of accounting information and cost management, managerial decision-making and performance measurement and **Financial Accounting, Reporting and Disclosure***, which provides an introduction to financial accounting, and highlights aspects of reporting that are important to users of financial information.

Students will be expected to choose additional courses in law, accounting or related fields to the value of two full units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates go on to careers in a number of roles such as: senior associates, in-house counsel, lawyers working for regulators, traders, banking analysts, regulatory accountants, auditors, consultants and forensic accountants.

MSc Law, Anthropology and Society

lse.ac.uk/grad/las

Application code: ML36

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 10/79

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 in law, anthropology or related discipline with an interest in studying selected aspects of law and legal theory (see page 40)

English requirement: Law (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Apply early, however, as places will fill up quickly

This programme is jointly run by the Department of Law and Department of Anthropology and is administered in the Department of Law. It offers the following benefits:

- Situated in the only institution devoted solely to the social sciences in the UK, the Anthropology and the Law Departments are distinguished by the research of

their faculty and by their exceptionally international student population.

- The programme offers an excellent and intensive introduction to the aspects of anthropological and social theory essential to the analysis of law in society.
- This interdisciplinary programme forms part of LSE's innovative graduate teaching and research in legal and social science theory.

The programme is intended for graduates with an upper second class honours degree in law or for graduates in anthropology and related disciplines who are seeking to study selected aspects of law and legal theory.

Programme details

Scheduled teaching normally includes six hours of seminars per week (depending on options selected), supplemented by regular academic tutorials.

The programme offers a foundation in those elements of anthropological and socio-legal theory essential to an understanding of law in society, and provides training in appropriate research methods. The programme achieves this through: a compulsory course combining lectures, classes and an innovative research seminar; the supervised crafting of an individual programme of two further courses in law or anthropology (or exceptionally another social science) selected according to the academic background and research interest of the student; and supervision of a dissertation.

Compulsory courses

Law in Society: A Joint Course in Law and Anthropology offers a foundation in those elements of anthropological and social theory essential to an understanding of law in society, drawing on anthropological themes and texts to develop an innovative perspective on contemporary legal norms and institutions

A 10,000 word **Dissertation** on a topic determined in consultation with the programme director.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options in the Department of Law and/or in the Department of Anthropology.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an ideal preparation for practical or research work on law in the context of social relations. It enhances a wide range of career paths including policy, research and communications roles within local and national government, charities, public relations and the media.

MANAGEMENT

lse.ac.uk/management

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 674

Research: 33

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 65

REF: 90 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: New Academic Building

We are an integrated Department in one of the world's leading social science institutions. As such, we benefit from close collaboration and cross-disciplinary links with the 23 other departments at LSE, including core business areas such as accounting, finance and economics, but also a full range of social science disciplines from social policy and government to philosophy and geography.

Our identity is founded on a balance between a focus on core management subjects, common to business schools across the globe, but with a unique approach from a cross-disciplinary social science perspective, embedded in an academically outstanding university. This is the foundation for our strength in producing outstanding research which impacts on policy and industry across the globe, and educating the brightest and most innovative graduates who will be in

high demand by employers and have the talent to drive positive change in society.

The Department of Management can offer you a unique business education experience. Above all, we teach you how to think critically and to engage with complex problems. You will learn both the fundamental theories of management and the skills to critically evaluate current and future management problems, which you will continue to draw upon throughout your professional career. We also bring alumni, senior business people, senior political figures and senior civil servants directly into the classroom in order that you can learn from their experience.

Studying management at LSE will open employment options to you across a wide range of sectors including finance, banking and professional services firms as well as roles in industry and the public sector.

MPhil/PhD Management Visiting Research Students

Application code: N2ZS (Business Economics); N6ZD (Employment Relations and Organisational Behaviour); N2ZT (General Management); G5ZC (Information Systems and Innovation); N2ZR (Management Science), N1EM (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Applicants should have a UK taught master's degree in a relevant discipline, or the overseas equivalent, with a high merit or distinction overall and a merit in the dissertation (where one exists)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT score

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Management is part of the Global Economic Performance Policy and Management group of accredited programmes for funding (see page 38). If the Business Economics Track is taken, this is part of the "Economics" group of accredited programmes

Application deadline 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and ESRC will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The Department has a vibrant doctoral programme with around 60 students pursuing research in different fields of management. The programme features five distinct tracks:

- Business Economics
- Employment Relations and Organisational Behaviour
- General Management
- Information Systems and Innovation
- Management Science

The programme is deeply rooted in both the theory and practice of management. Students undertake research at the cutting edge of the social science disciplines within the management field working alongside leading scholars in their area. The programme will provide grounding in the scope and theories of management and the challenges of research design. Students will have the opportunity to develop a detailed knowledge and understanding of how these disciplines blend together in tackling the real problems that face organisations. We expect that our students' research will contribute to the further intellectual development of these disciplines, be it in a theoretical, empirical or policy-oriented manner.

We welcome applications from candidates with a strong academic background. Students must meet high standards in all these fields and must apply their training to the construction of a research paper designed to underpin subsequent

doctoral research. When applying, students should outline their proposed research clearly, ensuring that they cover each of the topics which we expect to be contained within a research proposal.

Please view the information available online. Please note that the tracks of the programme may change.

Taught MSc programmes

MSc Economics and Management (with the Department of Economics) (see page 136)

MSc Human Resources and Organisations (see page 137)

MSc International Management (see page 139)

Master's in Management (with CEMS and exchange options) (see page 140)

MSc Management, Information Systems and Digital Innovation (see page 143)

MSc Management, Organisations and Governance (see page 144)

MSc Management Science (see page 145)

MSc Management and Strategy (see page 146)

MSc Public Management and Governance (see page 139)

Executive programmes

Executive Global MSc Management (see page 227)

Executive MSc Behavioural Science (with the Department of Social Policy) (see page 217)

TRIUM Executive MBA (with HEC Paris and NYU Stern) (see page 232)

MSc Economics and Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/em

Application code: N2U5

Start date: Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics begins late August 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time only (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 33/335

Minimum entry requirement: First class bachelor's degree or equivalent in Economics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Graduates of non-UK institutions are required to submit a GRE or GMAT score. GRE is preferred

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36) see Department of Management. The MSc Economics and Management is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding 11 January 2016

The MSc Economics and Management programme is a specialist multidisciplinary degree delivered jointly by the Department of Management and the Department of Economics. This unique programme combines master's level economics with cutting-edge management courses, and is directed and taught by two of the world's leading economists. Professor John Sutton and Professor Luis Garicano.

The programme is aimed at numerate, analytical and ambitious students and offers small classes, a diverse intake, and an inimitable course structure and options, to create an exceptional learning experience.

The core curriculum focuses on an understanding of firms' market strategies, exploring the management of firms, and the economic climate of the markets in which they operate. Students will also gain an in-depth understanding of econometric methods and their applications, covering new developments in the use of econometrics methods within organisations and industry.

This programme will provide you with an exceptional foundation to progress either to PhD-level study or to employment opportunities in industry, finance or consulting.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- taught by some of the world's leading economists in their respective fields
- combines the exceptional analytical training of LSE's MSc Economics degree

with the more applied scope and coverage characteristic of master's degrees in the field of management

- built around a central core course entitled Firms and Markets which uses graduate level microeconomics with a focus on understanding firms' market strategies, and a two part applied econometrics course
- uses case studies to apply theory to real-life situations

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Firms and Markets will introduce microeconomic analysis within management, focusing on market competition, capabilities and internal organisation and link between strategy and structure. Particular emphasis is placed during this course on both developing analytical skills and on showing how these analytical skills can be deployed in practical strategic settings.

Econometric Methods focuses on empirical research in economics and gives students the opportunity to work with Stata and other econometric software in analysing actual data sets, reproducing and criticising results in previous work and learning the actual practice of econometrics as undertaken by the best applied economists.

Corporate Finance A* investigates corporate finance topics including capital budgeting techniques, the driving forces behind capital structure, debt and equity

finance decisions, and the implications of those choices.

Extended Essay* comprising 6,000 words and based on one of the two option courses taken.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The MSc Economics and Management provides a route for acceleration into high-level positions, for example in top consulting or investment banking firms, or careers in academia. The programme is designed with potential employers in mind, and gives excellent preparation for employment opportunities in business, consulting or finance, with blue-chip organisations all over the world. Previous students have secured positions at top employers such as Accenture, Bain & Company, the Boston Consulting Group, Citi, Deloitte, Google, KPMG, L.E.K., McKinsey & Company, Monitor Group, PwC, Roland Berger and the World Bank. A number of students have also directly entered PhD programmes upon completion of the degree.

MSc Human Resources and Organisations

with specialisation in Organisational Behaviour or Human Resource Management (CIPD) or International Employment Relations and Human Resource Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/hro

Application code: N6U7 (IER), N6U8 (HRM), N6U9 (OB)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time; 24 months part-time (HRM stream only)

Intake/applications: New programme for 2015

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Submitting a GRE/GMAT score is not required but a strong result from either of those tests may benefit applicants

Fee level: £20,736 (Organisational Behaviour, International Employment Relations and Human Resource specialisations), £21,744 (Human Resource Management specialisation)

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Human Resources and Organisations is a challenging one-year programme that provides a rigorous, interdisciplinary social science foundation with a strong business and management orientation. The programme offers students an international and comparative approach and provides broad choice among specialised topics through the vast array of required courses and optional electives.

You must apply for your chosen stream from the three outlined below, using the code relating to your chosen stream when applying. Successful applicants will receive an offer for a specific stream. Switching to a different stream may not be possible as it depends on availability and fit with the other cohort. Therefore, please ensure you choose your stream carefully.

Applicants should also be aware that the additional fee for the HRM stream cannot be refunded if students switch to a different stream when the programme starts.

N6U8 Human Resource

Management stream (HRM): this stream has been designed to allow students to satisfy the educational requirements of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development's (CIPD) professional levels of membership. Students participate in workshops to develop the skills and competencies that are essential for an HR professional career and CIPD accreditation.

N6U7 International Employment

Relations stream (IER): this stream has been designed to give students the tools to develop and evaluate successful

employment and human resource policies in a rapidly changing global economy. Upon graduation, students will be equipped with the knowledge necessary to tackle contemporary management and policy challenges in a range of organisational and international settings.

N6U9 Organisational Behaviour

stream (OB): this stream examines behaviour and change in organisations, primarily through the lenses of psychology and sociology. Students will engage in a multi-disciplinary, in-depth approach to understanding the fundamental issues of behaviour and change in organisations at the individual, group and organisational levels.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- help students understand the social science basis and inter-disciplinary nature of Human Resources (HR) Management and how they might be applied in practice both in the UK and abroad
- encourage students to develop intellectual flexibility by placing a premium on developing minds and on bringing forward their analytical reasoning ability
- encourage students to study independently, to critically assess received wisdom, to scrutinise evidence and to handle ambiguity

In addition, each of the three streams offers specific key features:

Human Resource Management:

- give students practical experience of the competencies required by HR professionals and allow them to explore how the HR function operates in practice
- familiarise students with the tools necessary to research HR issues within organisations and give them the opportunity to use those tools in a company-based project
- ensure students reach the standards required for a professional qualification (Membership of the CIPD) that will facilitate a career in HRM and inspire them to become “reflective practitioners”

International Employment Relations:

- analyse the main features of the employment relations systems in a variety of countries and compare, contrast and evaluate them
- provide students with analytical skills that will help them think about contemporary issues in employment relations and contribute to policy debates

Organisational Behaviour:

- provide students with the requisite knowledge about behaviour in organisations to facilitate a career in management and consultancy or the foundational knowledge in the discipline to pursue a PhD in Organisational Behaviour

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

In addition to the below, in the Human Resources Management and Organisational

Behaviour streams, students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit, and in the Employment Relations stream, courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Management of Human Resources: Strategies and Policy* introduces a range of theoretical perspectives which underpin the ways in which organisations manage the employment relationship through the deployment of HRM strategy and policy. From a practice perspective, it reviews challenges involved in the design, implementation and evaluation of both overall HRM strategy and specific practice areas.

Developing Professional Research and Employability Skills (which may be part of a “Links” business project).

Human Resources Management stream:

Foundations of Business and Management for Human Resources* provides an overview of the development of management disciplines (other than HRM) and will develop an understanding of the disciplinary anchors in sociology, psychology and economics. Each field will cover origins and disciplinary boundaries, triggers for growth, core concepts and the current state of play and debate.

Globalisation and Human Resource Management* examines the human resource management and employment relations strategies of global corporations, with the aim of understanding both the causes of different strategic choices and the consequences of these strategies for diverse stakeholders.

Organisational Behaviour* helps students understand attitudes and behaviour in an organisational context. This will be done by reviewing psychological theories as they apply to organisations; demonstrating the contribution of a psychological perspective to understanding human behaviour at work; and critically evaluating the empirical evidence.

Employment Relations stream:

International Employment Relations* provides an introduction to the comparative analysis of employment relations at national, firm and workplace level throughout the world. It will introduce the employment relationship, the key concepts surrounding it, and the theories required to understand it.

Globalisation and Human Resource Management* examines the human resource management and employment relations strategies of global corporations, with the aim of understanding both the causes of different strategic choices and the consequences of these strategies for diverse stakeholders.

Organisational Behaviour stream:

Organisational Behaviour* helps students understand attitudes and behaviour in an organisational context. This will be done by reviewing psychological theories as they apply to organisations; demonstrating the contribution of a psychological perspective to understanding human behaviour at work; and critically evaluating the empirical evidence.

Organisational Change* provides students with different psychological theories to understand the process and consequences of organisational change and in doing so addresses the following issues: type of organisational change, creating readiness for organisational change and leading change, the change agent, strategies for change, resistance to change and evaluation and institutionalisation of organisational change.

Organisational Theory* introduces a variety of topics including institutional theory and corporate culture, sense-making, population ecology and social networks.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is designed to prepare students for a range of careers in the fields of human resource management, organisational behaviour, and international employment relations. Our students have gone on to work in human resource management, international management, and consultancy positions in the private and public sectors, as well as for labour unions and in academic and policy roles.

MSc International Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/im

Application code: N1UQ

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 27/309

Minimum entry requirement: A first class or high upper second class bachelor's degree (or equivalent) in management or a management-related subject such as economics. Applicants must have taken courses in mathematics, statistics and economics (see page 40). At least three months' work experience is required (eg, an internship)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

Note: All students of the MSc International Management Exchange programme spend a term abroad at one of our six partner schools. Please list the schools in order of your preference, with one being the school you would most like to spend your term abroad at, within your personal statement. We

will take your choices into account as much as possible when allocating places at our partner schools, but we are unfortunately unable to guarantee all students their top choices

The MSc International Management is a one year programme emphasising an analytical approach to issues of globalisation and international management, through a unique combination of theoretical and practical teaching styles and international learning.

During the first term the programme provides a highly analytical approach to management founded in the LSE's tradition of critical thinking.

In the second term you will take part in the International Management Exchange programme (IMEX), studying as a guest in the second year of an MBA programme at a leading business school in the US or China, with a more practical teaching approach.

These two terms allow you to benefit from the two different teaching approaches, which in combination provide a uniquely valuable and globally relevant learning experience.

The compulsory course in the programme focuses on an analytical approach to globalisation, giving you an understanding of industries, firms and nations at a global level.

The programme provides a firm foundation of critical thinking and analytically rigorous understanding of

management at a global level, developing your talent to achieve lasting success over a lifelong career in a rapidly changing international market.

Programme details

Key features of the programme:

- A one-year programme combining an analytical approach with the practical benefits of an MBA degree, applied to issues of globalisation and international management.
- Students benefit from the academic excellence at LSE, and also participate in the IMEX exchange programme to spend a term at a leading MBA school, experiencing different styles of teaching and learning.
- A wide range of optional courses is available, complementing the compulsory course and allowing students to customise their programme and specialise in their own area of interest.

Six world-leading business schools partner with LSE in the IMEX exchange programme:

- The Chicago Booth School of Business, University of Chicago
- The Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
- Yale School of Management
- Stephen M Ross School of Business, Michigan University
- Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

- Guanghua School of Management, Peking University

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Either Business in the Global Environment* looks at the process of globalisation at three levels: industries, firms and nations. Its goal is to develop a solid understanding of the external, economy-wide factors that affect the performance and management of firms in today's global economy. Topics include the changing structure of industries; the response of companies, both those based in the advanced industrial countries and those based in emerging markets, to increasing international competition; and differences between countries in their institutions and policies.

Or The World Trading System* studies a key component of the globalisation process: the negotiation, implementation and implications of international trade agreements (ITAs). These include the World Trade Organisation and the fast-growing web of regional trade agreements. We analyse the challenges and opportunities faced by companies engaged in the global economy in this context. The course relies on recent theoretical and empirical research to gain insight into the motivations for ITAs and their consequences for consumers and firms.

Term abroad – students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit

at one of the IMEX partner schools during their term abroad.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The MSc International Management provides a route for career acceleration into more senior roles for top employers, for example consulting roles in large firms.

You will gain an excellent foundation of critical thinking and an in-depth understanding of management at a global level, preparing you for a variety of employment areas and developing your talent to achieve lasting success over a lifelong career.

The majority of graduates choose to work in banking and management consulting, but our students have also gone on to excel in a range of careers such as marketing, human resource management and public relations.

Master's in Management

lse.ac.uk/grad/mim

Application code: N1UH

Start date: 22 September 2016. All students are required to participate in introductory courses during September 2016

Duration: 24 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 96/741

Minimum entry requirement: First or upper second class bachelor's degree or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All graduates of non-UK institutions must submit a GRE or GMAT

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440 (first year only), second year fees to be confirmed

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36) plus some scholarships

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. We may wish to interview candidates and those selected for interview will be given full details of this before receiving a decision

Exchange options: Students have the opportunity to combine this programme with either the *Financial Times* top-ranked CEMS Master's in International Management (MIM) degree or the MiM Exchange

The Master's in Management (MiM) is a two year programme designed for students wishing to pursue careers in management and leadership. Students are not expected to have prior work experience or a background in business or management before undertaking the programme, although students with up to five years' work experience and an interest in studying management from a social science perspective are welcome to apply.

The programme provides a deep understanding of how markets and organisations work, and the environment in which business operates. Education is delivered in the form of a well-rounded training in both quantitative analytical and numerical skills, and qualitative critical thinking, presentation and communication skills. The programme incorporates practical employment experience in the form of a professional development programme and a business consulting project (which together comprise the Master's in Management Capstone Course), as well as an optional summer internship. This strong foundation of understanding, skills and practical experience makes our graduates highly sought after by employers.

We are the only programme in the UK to offer a dual degree with the prestigious CEMS Master's in International Management programme, ranked 5th in the 2014 *Financial Times* Master's in Management Rankings.

The two-year format of the programme allows students to acquire an understanding of the core foundations of management in their first year, before specialising in the second year:

Year one: foundations of management, including management theory, accounting, managerial economics, marketing, quantitative and qualitative methods of enquiry.

Year two: second year options include:

1. studying courses required to qualify for the CEMS Master's in International Management, which include spending a term abroad at another CEMS school
2. or spending a term abroad on the MiM Exchange, before returning to LSE to take other courses in strategy and international business
3. or staying at LSE for the whole of the second year and specialising in a particular area of management, for example finance and accounting, human resource management, marketing and consumer behaviour, information systems and digital business, or strategy and international business. Students also have the possibility of designing a management specialism of their own choosing from electives across LSE

The second year of the programme is a fundamental element of the LSE Master's in Management. Specialisation and international experience makes our students especially attractive to employers, giving them a competitive

advantage in an increasingly global graduate job market.

Your application

If you are applying for this programme, please note the following specific requirements for your personal statement.

Write a short personal statement (up to 600 words) about why you want to do the programme. This might cover, for example, what you will bring to the cohort, and what your particular strengths are.

Also answer the following questions (your answers should be approximately 300 words each)*:

1. Explain, in your own words, the main things that managers do.
2. How will studying management theory help you to understand management practice?
3. What do you hope to gain by studying management at LSE?

*The total length of your personal statement, including the answers to the above questions, should therefore be between 1,000-1,500 words.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- two-year programme enabling students from any background to transition into a management career

- curriculum offers a wide range of optional elective courses from academic departments across LSE

- opportunity to specialise and customise your programme according to your own interests in year two

- internationally diverse class based in the heart of London

- CEMS Master's in International Management programme and MiM Exchange term

Tailored careers support and development of professional employment experience are provided with an optional summer internship and the MiM Capstone Course (including business project).

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Year one

Foundations of Management I* and Foundations of Management II*

will give a basic grounding in the key management disciplines which will be taught chronologically. Students will therefore be provided with an overview of the development of management disciplines and will develop an understanding of the disciplinary anchors in sociology, psychology and economics.

Managerial Economics* provides an introduction to the central issues in managerial economics. The course will analyse the foundations for applying economic thinking to management.



PROFESSOR ALEXANDER PEPPER

PROFESSOR OF MANAGEMENT PRACTICE:
DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

I came to LSE in 2008 after 27 years at PwC, latterly as global head of the Human Resource Services practice.

Management at LSE is a rigorous academic discipline, designed to prepare graduates of all disciplines for executive, managerial and consulting careers. We encourage students to develop critical thinking and communication skills, along with an understanding of how organisations function, how markets work, and the socio-economic environment in which businesses operate.

My research and teaching interests include human resource management and labour market issues, organisations and management theory, behavioural and new institutional economics, and the relationship between management theory and practice.

I am passionate about teaching. I see my primary role as sharing knowledge and experience to enable the careers of others. I am Programme Director of our MSc in Management, and I teach on some of our other graduate programmes.

One of the things I particularly enjoy is overseeing business projects for second year MSc Management students. It is fantastic to see the amazing work which student teams produce, and the very positive reactions they receive from their clients.



Marketing Management* is a rigorous examination of the key analytical frameworks, technical tools, and concepts that are essential in building an effective marketing strategy. Students will develop a widely applicable analytical tool-kit that relies on: (a) anticipating decisions that managers frequently face, (b) bringing to bear a wide range of fundamental, often competing social science theories to inform these decisions, (c) knowledge about empirical generalisations, and (d) knowledge about moderating conditions.

Organisational Behaviour* seeks to understand individual attitudes and behaviour in an organisational context. It does this by reviewing psychological theories as they apply to organisations, demonstrating the contribution of a psychological perspective to understanding human behaviour at work, and critically evaluating the empirical evidence.

Quantitative Analysis in Management* discusses analysis of variance, simple and multiple linear regression, including ideas of confounding and statistical control, the use of dummy variables, interactions and non-linear effects of explanatory variables, collinearity, diagnostics and model development.

Qualitative Analysis in Management* provides a critical understanding of qualitative management research, with an emphasis on methods and techniques which will be useful and relevant to them both as management scholars and in their future careers.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full unit from a range of options.

Year two

Global Management Practice* (compulsory for CEMS only) seeks to understand the impact of culture on management; to identify the areas in which cultural differences present a challenge in managing people across cultures; and finally to become more self-aware of our cultural conditioning.

Strategy, Organisation and Innovation* explores advanced topics in strategy, organisation and innovation. True to LSE, we will adopt an interdisciplinary social sciences point of view that embraces economics, sociology, political science and psychology.

MiM Capstone Course – Management in Action* provides tailored development of professional skills from the LSE Careers Service and employment and team working experience through a real-world Business Project with an external client.

Dissertation* is based on a research question which students are required to agree with the teacher responsible during Michaelmas Term in year two.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three full units (CEMS: one half unit, MiM Exchange: one full unit) from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme allows students to gain both a rigorous training in the core foundations of general management in year one, and a specialisation in their specific area(s) of interest in year two. This provides our graduates with a tangible advantage when entering employment, as the combination of a broad general training in year one, plus the depth of specialist knowledge and skills in year two, gives our students a competitive advantage in the global graduate job market.

The programme is designed with employers in mind, and provides rigorous training in both quantitative analytical and numerical skills, and qualitative critical thinking, presentation and communication skills, producing well-rounded managers meeting the skills requirements of top companies.

In addition to the academic curriculum, the programme also includes elements designed to give practical employment experience, and develop professional skills, through the Capstone Course and summer internship. Students also benefit from a range of services provided by LSE Careers. Our students graduate from the programme as experienced and capable professionals, meeting the skills required to succeed in a highly competitive employment market.

Upon graduation, MSc Management students have taken roles in a range of sectors including consulting, finance, banking, marketing, advertising and communications, and also start-ups and family businesses.

MSc Management, Information Systems and Digital Innovation

lse.ac.uk/grad/misdi

Application code: G5U4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 74/501

Minimum entry requirement:

Upper second class bachelor's degree or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement:

GRE/GMAT test scores are not required, but a strong result from either of these tests will benefit applicants from universities which may not be well known to members of the admissions committee

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936;
overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). Claudio Ciborra scholarship fund (one award of £5,000)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

The MSc Management of Information Systems and Digital Innovation (MISDI) studies digital innovation in business and government across the world.

If you have a strong interest in information systems and technology, and the commercial, social and political transformation digital innovation can bring, our MSc Management of Information Systems and Digital Innovation will be ideally suited to you.

Unlike any other, this progressive programme will prepare you for leading technology management roles across all industries – integrating existing knowledge about the development and management of information systems with the latest digital developments. Think cloud computing, social networking, mobile technologies and more.

You will find this programme exciting, challenging and rigorous. It combines theory with practical case studies, and encourages learning through research, analysis, and critical discussion. You will also gain an invaluable understanding of the wider social, economic and managerial context in which technology and organisations are developed and managed.

Our learning approach places emphasis on theory and critical discussion of academic literature from across a range of scientific fields. We include social theories and frameworks for understanding the processes of information systems and innovation and industry case studies for illustrating issues in particular instances of management and innovation practice.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- capabilities for technology-enabled innovation in business and government, and skills for digital entrepreneurs in the ever-changing arenas of technology and organisations
- skills in utilising diverse analytical techniques and managerial practices
- critical analytical ability for understanding of the social and economic context within which technology innovation and organisations are constructed and managed
- integrating established knowledge of management of information systems and processes of innovation enabled by digital technologies, such as: applications development; cloud computing; social networking, and addressing privacy concerns
- a learning approach which places emphasis on the critical discussion of academic literature and case studies
- multi-disciplinary, dedicated compulsory courses
- critical analysis of theories and frameworks for understanding the processes of information systems and innovation and case studies for illustrating issues in particular instances of management and innovation practice
- teaching that is closely linked to new research in the field and with industry examples
- extensive contacts with London-based and international businesses and governmental organisations

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Innovation and Information Systems: Concepts and Perspectives* provides theoretical foundations for the study and practice of digital innovation and management of information systems.

Innovating Organisational Information Technology* explores the theoretical and practical aspects of technologic change integrating a two-week intensive boot-camp project run in conjunction with a global consultancy firm.

Global Strategy Management, and Information Systems* examines contemporary global strategies and management practices of corporations across the world including an analysis of corporate and business strategies, competitiveness, and how organisations set up and manage structures, processes, human resources, and technologies to deliver on their objectives.

You must also complete a 10,000 word **Dissertation*** based on a project that will cover some aspect of information systems development or management.

Students are also expected to choose two half unit courses from within a selection, and one further half unit course from a larger range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates of this programme go on to work in a range of organisations and sectors. These sectors include IT services; banking, financial services and accounting; consultancy; central and local government and research.

In addition, our graduates work in a range of roles, including business analysts, management and IT consultants, innovation managers, IT support and project management positions. Many graduates channel the knowledge on global digital infrastructures provided by the programme to launch their own business as information service providers.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Helping the NHS deliver better care for less money

Health bodies in England used tools developed by **LSE researchers** to plan delivery of better patient care at a time of austerity.

MSc Management, Organisations and Governance

lse.ac.uk/grad/mog

Application code: N2U6

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 62/429

Minimum entry requirement: First or high upper second class bachelor's degree or equivalent, preferably in social science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All graduates of non-UK institutions must submit a GRE or GMAT score

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36) plus some scholarships

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This challenging and highly distinctive one-year programme offers a rigorous interdisciplinary social science perspective on the analysis of management, in relation to three core themes: governance, innovation and entrepreneurship. Through this we provide an intensive and intellectually

demanding approach to analysing the key issues facing modern organisations.

The core curriculum focuses on organisations within the context of the wider economy and society, providing an in-depth understanding of management practice, entrepreneurship and innovation. Students will gain knowledge around issues of operational and strategic significance, and their managerial consequences within modern organisations. The programme provides a sound understanding of approaches and tools for the management and the governance of organisations.

The programme produces reflective, analytically sharp managers who will be in demand in a rapidly changing world. It is aimed at exceptional individuals aspiring to the highest levels of management seniority, in strategic or operational management in the corporate, governmental or not-for-profit sectors. The analytical approach, knowledge and skills developed during the programme make Management, Organisation and Governance graduates attractive to top employers.

The teaching format combines lectures, case studies, teamwork, data analysis and presentations. As part of the core learning students have the unique opportunity to develop their own real-world entrepreneurial business, applying theoretical knowledge to a practical challenge and gaining invaluable experience from initial idea generation through to business growth and future change.

Programme details

Key features of the programme:

- a one-year programme giving an interdisciplinary social science perspective on the analysis of management, focusing on governance, innovation and entrepreneurship
- an introduction to important design issues in the governance of organisations and markets
- a focus on the analysis and design of effective global business strategies and organisational practices in a wide range of economic, technical, and societal contexts
- the opportunity to develop your entrepreneurial skills by working in a small team tasked with the creation and growth of a new organisation – examining topics such as leadership roles, idea generation, group development, market evaluation, organisational design, resource issues, performance evaluation and growth
- exposure to a globally relevant curriculum and membership of an internationally diverse, close-knit cohort of students
- a range of optional elective courses allow students to customise the programme to their own interests, with courses available from a wide range of academic departments across LSE

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Organisations in the Economy and Society introduces the economic and social context in which managers and their organisations operate.

Enterprise Development* starts with an evaluation of leadership roles and skills, followed by idea generation, group development, market evaluation, organisational design, resource issues, performance evaluation and growth.

Innovation in Organisations* will develop students' abilities to analyse, design and evaluate innovative initiatives in organisations.

A research **project/dissertation** related to a topic from the above courses will be required (6,000 words).

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options that include economic or technological aspects of management, human resource management, innovation, accounting and finance, operations management, strategy, and many other fields.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The MSc Management, Organisations and Governance programme will provide a route to transform your career, and move away from a specialised academic or employment background, toward a more general and senior management role – for example in consulting, social enterprise, NGOs, government and entrepreneurship.

The programme provides excellent career prospects for early-career graduates, seeking entry to graduate programmes at top global firms, as well as for experienced graduates looking to re-position themselves for more senior roles.

We have alumni in major consulting companies such as Accenture, the Boston Consulting Group, Deloitte, Ernst & Young, KPMG and PwC, as well as in a wide range of governmental and non-governmental organisations throughout the world such as the BBC, the Department of Foreign Affairs (Canada) and the United Nations. As a result of the entrepreneurial focus of the programme we have also had a number of students go on to set up their own businesses.

MSc Management Science (Operational Research)

MSc Management Science (Decision Sciences)

lse.ac.uk/grad/msords

Application code: N2U1 (OR), N2U3 (DS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/Applications in 2014: 69/460

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in a relevant discipline, including first year university mathematics and statistics course. Appropriate work experience also considered (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Submitting a GRE/GMAT score is encouraged

Fee level: £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Management Science is a one-year programme providing students with both the knowledge and experience needed to apply management science techniques and methods at the highest decision-making levels in organisations.

The programme builds on the experience of a range of internationally renowned researchers, authors and teachers who have a proven track record in developing pioneering methods for influencing the decisions that matter in organisations.

The degree has two streams:

Operational Research (OR) stream: this stream is oriented to finding solutions to problems experienced by organisations in the way they operate. Aspects of an organisation's environment are modelled using a variety of well-defined models, which reveal solutions that would otherwise have been difficult to discover. That describes the "harder" side of OR. The "softer" side is concerned with messy, complex issues faced by organisations, which can benefit from problem structuring approaches that enable the stakeholders to diagnose and resolve their issues.

Decision Sciences (DS) stream: the focus in this stream is on helping decision-makers to think more clearly about complex issues in their organisations, and on achieving committed alignment of key players. Mathematical models are used to help create alignment, but always within a carefully designed social process.

Both streams provide a thorough grounding in fundamental concepts and methods of management science and will enable students to gain the skills to pursue higher degrees, or careers in commerce, industry or government in any country.

Programme details

Key features of both the Operational Research and the Decision Sciences streams include:

- statistical and other techniques for gaining insights from data
- the construction of decision-making models using a wide variety of management science techniques
- the opportunity to take specific topics to an advanced level corresponding to the leading edge of research
- the application of what has been learned in a three-month project for a real client in the real world

Operational Research stream

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Techniques of Operational Research* introduces a range of management science techniques. The particular techniques taught may vary from year to year.

Computer Modelling: Applied Statistics and Simulation* introduces the uses and practice of stochastic modelling and applied statistics.

Model Building in Mathematical Programming* – mathematical programming is one of the most powerful and widely-used quantitative techniques for making optimal decisions. The course has a pragmatic focus and aims to enable students to model and solve real-life

management problems, using a range of approaches.

Either **Applied Management Science** which is a three-month practical project undertaken for a real company in a real life situation – a chance to put what has been learned on the programme to good use *or* **Dissertation: MSc Management Science** which allows students to pursue an independent piece of research within the field of management science.

Students will be expected to choose three courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Decision Sciences stream

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Computer Modelling: Applied Statistics and Simulation* introduces the uses and practice of stochastic modelling and applied statistics.

Behavioural Decision Science for Management and Policy* examines “decision capability”, that is the ability of people to make judgments and decisions and blends research on how individuals and groups actually make decisions with theories on how they should make decisions in order to be consistent.

Risk and Decision Analysis for Management and Policy* extends the concept of “decision capability” and shows how that capability can be enhanced with appropriate modelling and analysis. It uses illustrations of real-world

decision analysis applications and employs several case studies to build students’ skills.

Either **Applied Management Science** which is a three-month practical project undertaken for a real company in a real life situation – a chance to put what has been learned on the programme to good use *or* **Dissertation: MSc Management Science** which allows students to pursue an independent piece of research within the field of management science.

Students will be expected to choose three courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Upon graduation, MSc Management Science students will be prepared to enter positions in consultancies, financial institutions, government departments, software houses and other major organisations. They will also have the skills to start their own enterprises if they choose to do so. Over time, students should be able to reach senior management positions in all types of organisations.

MSc Management and Strategy

lse.ac.uk/grad/ms

Application code: N1UG

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 54/571

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 or equivalent, in social science, engineering or science discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All applicants must submit a GRE or GMAT

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc in Management and Strategy is a one-year programme which provides a rigorous analytical approach to management, focusing on developing critical thinking and in-depth understanding in relation to managerial economics and its relevance in organisations and strategy.

The programme combines the analytical approach and rigour of an economics degree with real-world, contemporary

case studies used in MBAs. Although in many ways it is less applied and more theoretical than an MBA and the programme's analytical approach is constantly looking for ways to understand and apply theory via examples from the real world.

The programme is aimed at students who have some quantitative background (eg, a first degree in engineering, science, or a social science, with some quantitative training in elementary calculus and basic statistics). The programme will also appeal to students with a degree in an economic or management-related subject who are looking for a more rigorous approach to management.

Programme details

Key features of the programme:

- This one-year programme provides an academically rigorous and multidisciplinary approach to management and strategy, with a focus on managerial economics.
- The compulsory courses cover incentives and governance in organisations, design and management of organisations, and analysis of strategy.
- A wide range of optional elective courses is available from departments across LSE, enabling students to customise their programme according to their own interests, and benefit from a truly interdisciplinary learning experience.

Compulsory courses

(* two half units)

Incentives and Governance in

Organisations* explains how information and incentives influence decisions in organisations, and, on this basis, draws conclusions about the way companies should be organised and governed.

Design and Management of

Organisations* investigates organisation and management decision-making on the basis of general heuristics and biases exhibited by individuals and groups. This is used to analyse how organisations can manage individual and group decision making, and how this gives rise to informal structures in organisations, such as corporate culture.

The Analysis of Strategy (A)*

introduces the abstract study of strategy on the basis of game theory and business economics, and applies these concepts to questions of business strategy, including questions of vertical integration, value creation and a firm's resources and capabilities.

The Analysis of Strategy (B)*

develops a framework, on the basis of game theory and economics, to think systematically about the various dimensions of how firms compete in industries. This includes questions of market definition, pricing, advertising and research and development.

Dissertation: MSc Management and Strategy* gives students the opportunity to work on a project of their choice and apply the concepts from the programme in addressing a research question and the analysis of empirical evidence.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The MSc Management and Strategy will provide you with a route to transition into a new area in your career.

As a conversion programme for students with no (or limited) background in managerial economics, we will provide you with an excellent foundation in general management and strategy with an economics focus, enabling you to enter a variety of careers including banking, consulting, multinational companies and the public sector.

Previous graduates of this programme have had extremely successful careers and have found their time at LSE to be an invaluable basis for this.

MSc Public Management and Governance

lse.ac.uk/grad/pmg

Application code: N2U7

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 41/345

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 or equivalent, preferably in social sciences. Preference will be given to applicants with some work experience or student involvement in activities relevant to this degree (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36), plus some scholarships

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Public Management and Governance is a one-year programme designed to provide an in-depth interdisciplinary education focused on developing, delivering, and evaluating public policy programmes. Taught by public management specialists, the programme is designed with employers

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I spent a year at LSE on the General Course during my undergraduate degree and loved the feeling of intellectual energy, excitement and challenge that I experienced here, so I wanted to come back for my master's.

The best thing about studying at LSE is, without a doubt, the conversations. The people you'll meet here are among the brightest and most engaging you'll meet anywhere, and they'll challenge all your assumptions. It's a very dynamic environment to be a part of.

There's a great mix of the practical and the abstract; we don't just get to learn about theories in the classroom, we get the opportunity to apply them in the real world as part of the programme.

LSE – either directly or indirectly – has helped me to more clearly define the kind of person I want to be. By being academically challenged, I've more closely understood what I believe in.

Living in London, there is so much going on; there's literally no excuse not to go see something.



in mind and we strengthen our students' fundamental professional skills in reasoning clearly about complex issues and situations, designing institutions and practices, communicating effectively across diverse arenas of action, and understanding the publicly governed organisations which play crucial roles in public policy programmes.

The programme builds on the School's international reputation in public policy across a number of academic disciplines, providing an interdisciplinary education in the field of public management around leading, managing, and overseeing ambitious publicly organised undertakings.

Our students will develop skills to use their knowledge in responding to policy and management challenges in internationally diverse practice settings. The programme is designed with an international focus, with a globally diverse student cohort enriching the international context in the learning experience.

The programme includes courses concerned with practices for advising governments about policy problems and choices, accelerating organisational change, and delivering public value. Group work on real-world projects with sponsors such as the World Bank, KPMG and the UK Department of Health provides valuable experience in the practical challenges of managing and governing organisations in a public service context.

The programme attracts pre-career applicants with a high level of academic achievement, as well as mid-career applicants with significant accomplishments in public service, giving diversity of age and experience within the class.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- critical thinking skills about approaches to public sector practices
- skills in designing programmes, projects, organisations, and institutional systems
- skills in utilising diverse analytical techniques and managerial practices
- multidisciplinary, dedicated compulsory courses
- critical analysis of practical experience, using case studies
- guidance of research projects
- access to the School's vast range of courses in management, public policy and economics

An in-depth understanding of:

- strategy and institutional development in the public sector
- formal approaches to policy analysis
- accounting and financial management
- information systems and innovation
- employee relations and organisational behaviour

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Managing Change in the Public Sector: Theory and Challenge

examines organisationally based processes under public governance from a general management standpoint, and examine functional areas of organisational management as they relate to the public sector.

Thinking Like a Policy Analyst

focuses on how analysis needs to take account of, and be designed to relate to, the processes through which policies are made.

A 6,000-word **Dissertation*** related to a topic from the above courses.

In addition to the compulsory courses, students also customise their programme to their own academic interests by choosing courses to the value of one and a half units from a wide range of options provided by departments across the School, including Management, Accounting, International Development, Law, Social Policy and Sociology.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is designed with employers in mind, and our students have gone on to work in government and the public sector in their home countries, international agencies and professional services firms.

Upon graduation, MSc Public Management and Governance students will be prepared to enter staff and junior managerial positions in governments, multilateral organisations, consultancies and NGOs engaged in public action.

Over time, students should be able to reach executive positions in public service organisations inside government; senior management positions in organisations contracting with governmental bodies, including consultancies; senior staff positions in multilateral organisations; and expert advisers to professional bodies concerned with public management.

MATHEMATICS

lse.ac.uk/maths

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 49

Research: 14

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 21

REF: 84 per cent of research submitted jointly with the LSE Department of Statistics was rated either world-leading, or internationally excellent

Location: Columbia House

The LSE Mathematics Department is internationally recognised for its teaching and research. Located within a world class social science institution, the Department aims to be a leading centre for mathematics in the social sciences.

The Department is well known for its research excellence in discrete mathematics and algorithms, game theory, and financial mathematics. Research by LSE's Department of Mathematics has been rated highly by the 2014 Research Excellence Framework assessors: 84 per cent of research submitted jointly with the LSE Department of Statistics was rated either world-leading, or internationally excellent.

We run weekly research seminars covering the Department's research interests, which are attended by many people from both inside and outside

LSE. We also host informal lunchtime seminars and reading groups, on a weekly basis. The Department regularly attracts eminent visiting academics.

The Department has close ties with other departments at LSE, such as Statistics, Finance, Economics and Management, and we are an integral part of the mathematical community of the University of London.

The Department provides a friendly and supportive environment. Students are part of a community of scholars, and are well-placed to pursue a career building on their academic accomplishments and the skills acquired during their time in the Department.

MPhil/PhD Mathematics Visiting Research Students

Application code: G1ZM (MPhil/PhD), G1EM (VRS)

Start date: Intake at the start of Michaelmas, Lent and Summer terms

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable) full-time only

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in a relevant area (see page 40)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). Students may also apply directly to the Mathematics Department for potential other sources of funding

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

Supervision for MPhil and PhD research is available in: combinatorics, combinatorial optimisation, computational learning theory, control theory, financial mathematics, game theory, graph theory, theory of computation and algorithms, and in the applications of mathematics in areas such as telecommunications and economics.

Our minimum entry requirement is a merit or higher in an MSc in a relevant area of mathematics or related discipline. Admission to the PhD programme is highly selective.

Students have access to the School's library and to the libraries of other colleges of the University of London, and

also benefit from the School's and the Department's comprehensive computing and information facilities. Mathematics PhD students attend appropriate taught courses provided by either the London Taught Course Centre for PhD students in the mathematical sciences, or the London Graduate School in Financial Mathematics, depending on the focus of their research.

Applicants are invited to follow the advice offered on our website.

Taught programmes

MSc Applicable Mathematics (see page 150)

MSc Financial Mathematics (see page 151)

MSc Applicable Mathematics

lse.ac.uk/grad/am

Application code: G1U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 24/240

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in a mathematically-based subject, or a scientific, engineering or social science subject with excellent mathematics background (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

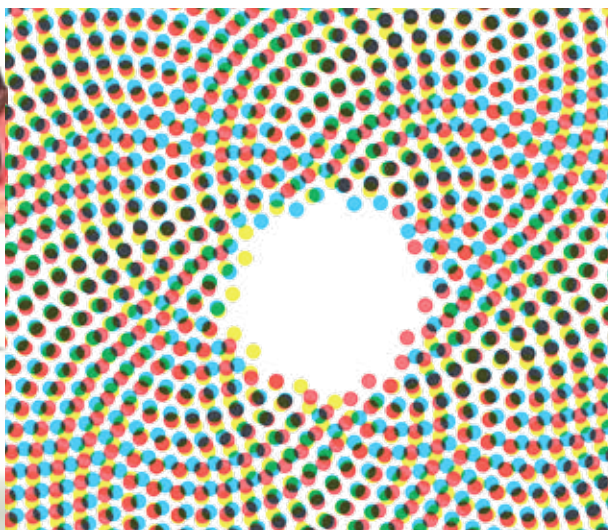
Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Mathematics and offers the following benefits:

- increased knowledge of mathematics, in particular in the following areas: algorithms, game theory, discrete mathematics, probability and stochastics, optimisation (dependent on option choices)
- emphasis on algorithms and computational techniques



- opportunity to improve personal skills, including logical reasoning, quantitative analysis, independent learning and the presentation of technical results
- opportunity to take courses in related disciplines such as economics, finance, operational research and statistics

Applicants should normally possess at least an upper second class honours degree in a mathematically based subject from a UK university, or an equivalent qualification from overseas. Candidates with degrees in scientific, engineering or social science subjects will be considered, provided that they have a strong background in the concepts and techniques of mathematics, including experience in rigorous mathematical proofs. Prior knowledge of computational mathematics and social science applications is not required.

Programme details

Students will study courses to the value of four full units. Teaching on each half unit lasts for roughly ten weeks, with lectures, and classes or seminars. The

Graduate destinations

This programme is ideal preparation for a range of careers in industry, finance, government and research. Graduates of the programme have found employment in companies such as Amazon; BlackRock; Credit Suisse; Facebook; Goldman Sachs; Google; KPMG; National Grid and RBS.

average number of taught contact hours is approximately 12 hours per week (depending on the course modules chosen). Lecturers also offer weekly office hours. In addition, you will undertake a project, equivalent to a full unit, in an appropriate branch of mathematics, and present your work in the form of a dissertation.

The Department's relatively small size enables us to pay greater attention to individual students' needs.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Dissertation in Mathematics is an individual, substantial project serving as an introduction to mathematical research methods. Every student will investigate and study an area of mathematical research or application of advanced mathematical techniques, and then write a report on their findings.

*Either **Algorithms and Computation***, which is aimed at students with no or limited experience in programming and algorithms. The course provides an introduction to programming in Java, data structures and the mathematics underlying the theory of algorithms or **Advanced Algorithms***, which is for students with sufficient background in computing and programming and will cover more advanced topics such as introduction to NP-completeness, approximation algorithms, randomised algorithms, streaming algorithms and numerical algorithms.*

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two and a half

units from a range of mathematics and social science options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

MSc Financial Mathematics

lse.ac.uk/grad/fm

Application code: G1U3

Start date: Mandatory pre-sessional course begins mid September 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time (including pre-sessional) (10 month master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 24/586

Minimum entry requirement: First class or upper second class honours degree in mathematics or another mathematics based subject (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Mathematics, and is taught in collaboration with the Department of Finance and the Department of Statistics. The programme provides high-level instruction in the mathematical theory underlying finance, and training in appropriate computational methods. It offers the following benefits:

- focus on the development of student understanding of quantitative methodologies and techniques that are important for a range of jobs in investment banks and other financial institutions
- research-led teaching that aims to enhance students' critical appreciation of major issues and emerging theory in the area of financial mathematics
- opportunity to improve personal skills, including logical reasoning, quantitative analysis and the presentation of technical results

This programme aims to develop students' understanding of the foundations of financial mathematics, and to equip them with knowledge of a range of mathematical and computational techniques that are required for a variety of quantitative positions in the financial sector.

It draws on LSE's strengths in finance and related areas, and includes compulsory and optional courses given by the Department of Mathematics, the Department of Finance and the Department of Statistics.

This MSc is mathematically advanced, and applicants should have a very strong mathematics background and a minimum of a BSc degree of first or upper second class in mathematics or a mathematics-based subject, or an equivalent qualification. Prior knowledge of finance or computing is not required.

Programme details

The programme starts with a compulsory pre-session course, the purpose of which is to introduce some key concepts and techniques of relevant mathematical theory, such as probability. The pre-session course also includes an introduction to programming in C++.

Students are required to take courses to the value of four full units: this usually equates to approximately 12 contact hours per week in the two main teaching terms (depending on the course modules chosen – there may be some variety of practice depending on which department teaches the course). Lecturers also offer weekly office hours.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

The Mathematics of the Black and Scholes Theory* is concerned with a mathematical development of the risk-neutral valuation theory.

The Foundations of Interest Rate and Credit Risk Theory* examines the mathematical foundations of interest rate and credit risk theory.

Stochastic Processes* provides a broad introduction to stochastic processes with an emphasis on financial and actuarial applications.

Fixed Income Markets* looks at recent developments in fixed income securities pricing, hedging and portfolio management.

Computational Methods in Finance* develops computational skills and introduces a range of numerical techniques of importance to financial engineering.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options. Optional courses cover topics including stochastic analysis, preferences, optimal portfolio choice, equilibrium, derivatives modelling, Markov processes, financial risk analysis, international finance, and forecasting of financial time series.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme is ideal preparation for a range of careers in the financial sector, industry and research.

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

lse.ac.uk/media@lse

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 228

Research: 22

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 19

REF: 91 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: St Clement's

The Department of Media and Communications offers interdisciplinary, intensive graduate teaching. We undertake research at the interface between social and technological change, seeking a critical and contextual understanding of the dynamics of the emerging digital world. Our expertise is developed and communicated through dialogue with academic, industrial and governmental audiences.

In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework the Department was ranked first in the UK on grade point average. The Department was also ranked top in the UK for both the quality of its research and the strength of its non-academic research impact.

The aim of the Department is to bring together teaching and research in media and communications from across the social sciences, with a strong focus on media, communication and technological change and their implications for social, economic and political life, as well as for media and communications policy.

The Department benefits from LSE's geographical location at the heart of one of the world's media capitals, and has excellent links with media and communication industries and policy makers in the UK.

All the MSc programmes in the Department of Media and Communications offer the following benefits:

- an intensive, high quality graduate education in media and communications
- a broad social science foundation in qualitative, quantitative, empirical and critical skills
- a diverse, multi-disciplinary and theoretically-oriented approach to contemporary developments, issues and debates in the field
- a range of specialist courses within media and communications and related fields, including an independent empirical research project
- an intellectually stimulating, well-resourced learning environment, with strong links to media and communications industries and policy makers
- the opportunity for lively cross-cultural exchange of ideas among a dynamic group of fellow students in the Department and School
- study with internationally-recognised active researchers with expertise in media and communications and politics and democracy, regulation and policy, technological change, audiences, globalisation, culture and more

As a rule, most half unit courses in the Department are taught as a weekly lecture (one hour) and a weekly seminar (one hour), ie, two hours for each half unit course. Check the course guides in the Calendar for further details and for information on courses outside the Department.

The core courses in the Department are taught as follows:

- Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications – Michaelmas term, weekly lecture (one hour) and weekly seminar (one and a half hours).
- (Advanced) Methods of Research – Michaelmas term, weekly lecture (one hour), weekly quantitative analysis lecture (two hours), weekly quantitative class (one hour). Lent term, a number of workshops (three hours each).
- Dissertation – Lent term, symposium (two hours), two group supervisions (two hours). Summer term, symposium (two hours), group supervision (two hours). Ad hoc individual supervision throughout Lent term and Summer term.

Our PhD programme and our MSc Media and Communications (Research) programme are recognised by the Economic and Social Research Council's (ESRC) 1+3 and +3 schemes and by the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC). Home and EU offer holders may be eligible for nomination for ESRC or AHRC funding.

Demand for programmes is high and we have to be selective when offering places. We recommend that you apply early.

MPhil/PhD Media and Communications MPhil/PhD New Media, Innovation and Literacy Visiting Research Students

Application code: P4ZM (MPhil/PhD Media and Communications), P3ZN (MPhil/PhD New Media Innovation and Literacy), P4E1 (Visiting Research Students)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3-4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in a taught master's degree in social science or humanities

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. Both MPhil/PhD programmes in the Department are part of the Social Science group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 15 February 2016, but please note that the elections process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place earlier. The funding deadline is 11 January 2016. Selection

for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

We welcome applications from well-qualified students for admission as an MPhil/PhD student to our two doctoral programmes: PhD in Media and Communications and PhD in New Media, Innovation and Literacy. Candidates should have a high merit (68 per cent overall and a distinction on the dissertation) in an appropriate master's degree from a British university, or equivalent qualification. You will need to have a clear sense of your research topic so that we can match your interests with supervisors. We encourage you to discuss your application in advance of formal submission. Formal applications must include two academic reference letters, a piece of already assessed written work (for instance, an MSc essay) and be accompanied by a 2,000-2,500 word research proposal and a personal statement. The admissions process further includes an interview (in person, by phone or Skype) with potential supervisors and/or the PhD Programme Director.

On admission, students are allocated a principal supervisor, a second supervisor, and a thesis committee chair. They initially register for the MPhil and follow a taught programme which involves coursework that is formally assessed. This normally includes core taught theoretical courses in the Department, the Research Seminar in Media, Communications and Culture, and broad training in research methods together with specialist courses selected in

discussion with their supervisors. Towards the end of their first year, they are to submit a 10,000 word research proposal. This paper will include a substantive statement of the aims, theories and methods proposed for the thesis, a tentative chapter outline, an indicative bibliography and a timetable for its completion. Evaluation of this paper, together with an oral examination based on the thesis proposal and the submission of satisfactory coursework, will contribute to assessing whether students are permitted to upgrade from MPhil to PhD and continue into their second year.

Your application

If you are applying for this programme, you should note the Department's specific recommendation for the length of your research proposal, which is 2,000-2,500 words.

Taught programmes

MSc Gender, Media and Culture (see page 96)

MSc Double Degree in Global Media and Communications (see page 208)

MSc Media and Communications (see page 154)

MSc Media and Communications (Media and Communication Governance) (see page 156)

MSc Media and Communications (Research) (see page 154)

MSc Media, Communication and Development (see page 158)

MSc Politics and Communication (see page 159)

MSc Media and Communications

MSc Media and Communications (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/mc

Application codes: P4U1
(P4U6 Research)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 100/939

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or degree in another field with professional experience in the media and communications field. Exceptionally, professional experience alone (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The MSc Media and Communications (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, however the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

This programme offers an intensive, year-long exploration of a wide range of contemporary issues in media and communications coupled with advanced research training, enhancing students' methodological and statistical skills. The MSc Media and Communications (Research) aims to provide:

- a broad and critical understanding of the development and forms of media and communications in relation to processes of mediation and influence, production, media representations and content, audience response, political economy, regulation and power
- a critical up-to-date engagement with diverse theoretical, conceptual and empirical developments in research on media and communications
- a mix of core and optional courses, culminating in an independent research project in media and communications, that provides an ideal preparation for research or employment in media and communications and related fields
- a degree of flexibility to tailor the programme to pursue particular topics of interest by selecting from a wide range of courses taught by leading experts in the Department of Media and Communications and other departments at LSE

The Research-track stream provides advanced research training, enhancing students' methodological and analytical skills. This degree offers within the general media and communications MSc Programme:

- advanced quantitative and qualitative methodological training as preparation for research-related careers
- research training for students wishing to undertake MPhil/PhD degrees
- recognition by the Economic and Social Research Council (1+3 and +3 schemes) and the Arts and Humanities Research Council

We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including professional experience working in media and communications related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE.

You should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from those with professional experience in the media and communication fields and, in this case, we would accept a degree in other subjects. Exceptionally we may consider professional experience instead of a first degree. Please note that we do not provide practical training in journalism, media production, campaigning or media management.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we ask you to provide evidence of your command of English as part of the admissions process. In addition, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who

are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially. The LSE Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Programme details

The programme consists of four units, including compulsory and optional courses, and the dissertation. Taught courses typically involve a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes. You will be assessed by written examinations, research assignments, essays and the dissertation, which must be submitted in August.

The programme runs for one year. Formal classroom teaching is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. Compulsory coursework is usually submitted in January and May, examinations are generally held in May and June. The remaining months are set aside for students to complete the dissertations supported by staff supervision.

Part-time students will normally take and be examined in courses to the value of two units in each year of study. In the first year, these two units, selected in discussion with the student's academic adviser, will usually include the compulsory theoretical course(s) and one or more option course(s). The methods course(s) and the dissertation are then usually taken in the second year, together with the remaining option course(s). Students may be permitted to vary the courses to be taken in each year with the approval of their academic adviser.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)*

addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications, within a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective.

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications II (Processes of communication in modern life)*

examines key concepts and critical perspectives on the process of communication that underpin social, economic and institutional relations across diverse spheres of modern life.

Advanced Methods of Research in Media and Communication (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)

(for students on the research track) students examine the principles of research in media and communications and of social research. Students also take two statistics courses in quantitative analysis and applied regression analysis.

Dissertation

Research-track students will be expected to choose optional courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

On graduating, our students enter a variety of careers in the UK and abroad, including broadcasting, journalism, advertising, new media industries, political marketing, market research, regulation and policy, media management and research in both public and private sectors.

MSc Media and Communications (Data and Society)

lse.ac.uk/grad/mcdis

Application codes: P3U4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/Applications in 2014:

New programme for 2015 entry

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from people with professional experience in the media, communications, data or information technology field (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. However the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full

This programme offers an intensive, year-long exploration of the significance of data and information within contemporary societies and communications. At a time when intensive data-gathering about online activity is central to both business models and to governments' strategies for understanding their citizens, the programme's critical perspective on the "move towards data" is highly relevant, allowing students to understand, evaluate and respond to the social and political contexts of data production and analytics. You will also consider the cultural aspects of data's role within everyday life.

The MSc Media and Communications (Data and Society) provides students with the resources to understand the wider implications of a social shift towards data (as highlighted in recent debates about the data-gathering of the NSA and social media platforms). The programme will also teach students skills in understanding how data processes can be constructed, managed and renewed to fulfil social and civic ends, identifying the ethical questions raised by data's growing role in communication and social processes and what approaches

might resolve them, and understanding the significance of data-collection processes.

The programme aims to develop:

- a broad understanding of the development and forms of media systems in relation to political economy, regulation and power, production and organisation, processes of mediation and influence, communication content and audience response
- a broad understanding of data, information and knowledge as aspects of contemporary society, including theoretical and analytic perspectives
- an up-to-date engagement with diverse theoretical, conceptual and empirical developments in research on media and communications, including in relation to the implications of data, both historically and in the present, for social, political and economic organisation
- a mix of core and optional courses, culminating in an independent research project in media and communications, that provides an ideal preparation for research or employment in media and communications and data-related fields.
- the flexibility to tailor the programme to pursue particular topics of interest by selecting from a wide range of courses taught by leading experts in the Department of Media and Communications and other departments at LSE, with a focus on data, communications and society

We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including professional experience working in media and communications and data-related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and the exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE.

London is also the home of the largest concentration of new media startup companies in Europe, and the proximity to “Silicon Roundabout” provides further opportunities to study the new data-intensive media industries and cultures closely. Students will have the opportunity to make use of the Department’s networks, including the Media Policy Project and think-tank Polis, which may lead to informal internship opportunities.

You should have at least an upper second-class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from people with professional experience in the media, communications, data or information technology field.

Applicants with a conditional offer must meet the conditions of their offer before registration and before the start of the Michaelmas term.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we ask you to provide evidence of your command of English as part of the admissions process. In addition, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in the programme.

Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially. The LSE Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Programme details

The programme consists of four units, including compulsory and optional courses, and a dissertation. Taught courses typically involve a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes, including methods training that reflects today’s huge expansion of data sources. You will be assessed by written examinations, research assignments, essays and the dissertation, which must be submitted in August.

The programme runs for one year. Formal classroom teaching is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. Coursework is usually submitted in January and May, and examinations are generally held in January, May and June. The remaining months are set aside for students to complete the dissertations. Please note that we do not provide a practical training in journalism, production, campaigning or media management.

Part-time students will normally take and be examined in courses to the value of two units in each year of study. In the first year, these two units, selected in discussion with the student’s academic adviser, will usually include the

compulsory theoretical course(s) and one or more optional course(s). The methods course(s) and the dissertation are then usually taken in the second year, together with the remaining optional course(s). Students may be permitted to vary the courses to be taken in each year with the approval of their academic adviser.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)*

addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications, from a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective.

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)* provides a general training in research methods and techniques.

Data in Communication and Society* introduces core theoretical perspectives on data, and outlines research approaches that address the influence of data within communication and society.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme will provide students with an understanding of how data shapes social life specifically through communication processes. This is useful for future careers in media and communication fields that are increasingly bound up with information systems and data development, such as: advertising and marketing, data analytics, legal and political consulting, information management, and editorial.

MSc Media and Communications (Media and Communication Governance)

lse.ac.uk/grad/mcg

Application codes: P3U3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/Applications in 2014: 100/939

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or degree in another field with professional experience in the media and communications field. Exceptionally, professional experience alone (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, however the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full

This programme offers an intensive, year-long exploration of the governance and regulation of media and communication, including internet and digital platforms, press freedom, telecommunications, broadcasting and the converging media. When urgent questions are being asked, after controversies such as the Edward Snowden revelations, about government's influence on the internet and the power of media corporations, the content of this programme has never been more relevant.

The MSc Media and Communications (Media and Communication Governance) has a strong focus on international comparison, including at the European level, with opportunities to take courses in departments of Media and Communications, Government and Law. The programme aims to provide:

- a broad-based understanding of the institutions and regulations that structure the development of media and communication systems. The programme covers policy, regulatory, legal and economic aspects of media and communication services

- an up-to-date engagement with the latest developments in research on media and communications, specifically relating to communications governance at regional, national and international levels
 - a mix of core and optional courses, culminating in an independent research project that provides an ideal preparation for research or employment in the media and communications industries and specifically in related fields of policy, regulation, information systems analysis and government itself
 - the flexibility to tailor the programme to pursue particular topics of interest by selecting from a wide range of courses taught by world-leading experts in the Department of Media and Communications and other departments at LSE
 - opportunities to participate with the Department's Media Policy Project, led by Dr Damian Tambini and Dr Sally Broughton-Micova, which is very active in intervening in national and international policy debates and provides internship opportunities for students
- We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including professional experience working in media and communications related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE. Many of our students take up the opportunity to participate actively in policy and governance through engaging with policymakers at the EU and UK level, and writing for the LSE Media Policy Blog.

MSc Media and Communications (Media and Communication Governance) students take full advantage of London's

status as the leading global media industry city. They go on to work in a variety of sectors, many of them working with leading organisations in media strategy, regulation and public affairs.

You should have at least an upper second-class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from those with professional experience in the media and communication fields and, in this case, we may accept a degree in another subject.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and



socially. The LSE Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Programme details

The programme consists of four units, including compulsory and optional courses, and the dissertation. Taught courses typically involve a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes. You will be assessed by written examinations, research assignments, essays and the dissertation, which must be submitted in August.

The programme runs for one year. Formal classroom teaching is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. Coursework is usually submitted in January and May, examinations are generally held in May and June. The remaining months are set aside for students to complete the dissertations. Please note that we do not provide a practical training in journalism, production, campaigning or media management.

Part-time students will normally take and be examined in courses to the value of two units in each year of study. In the first year, these two units, selected in discussion with the student's academic adviser, will usually include the compulsory theoretical course(s) and one or more option course(s). The methods course(s) and the dissertation are then usually taken in the second year, together with the remaining option course(s).

Students may be permitted to vary the courses to be taken in each year with the approval of their academic adviser.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)* addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications, within a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective.

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)* provides a general training in research methods and techniques.

Media and Communications Governance* maps key elements of communication governance including key concepts and institutions and examines contemporary issues and debates in communication governance.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

On graduating, our students enter a variety of careers in the UK and abroad, including broadcasting, journalism, advertising, new media industries, political marketing, market research, regulation and policy, media management and research in both public and private sectors.

MSc Media, Communication and Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/mcd

Application code: P3U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 30/286

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or degree in another field with professional experience in the media and communications field. Exceptionally, professional experience alone (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, however the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full

This programme offers an intensive, year-long exploration of a wide range of contemporary issues in media, communications and development.

The main aim of this programme is to offer an advanced interdisciplinary education and training in contemporary theory and research in the field of media and communications and its application in the Global South, with a particular emphasis on low income country contexts. It aims to:

- Provide an opportunity to critically examine the intersection of the fields of media and communications and development research.
- Provide research training for students wishing to go on to MPhil/PhD research in the media, communication and development field and for entry to a variety of media, communication and development related careers.
- Enable students to develop a critical understanding of a range of theoretical and methodological approaches to the study of media and communication in the Global South, with a particular emphasis on low income country contexts.

- Allow flexibility for students to pursue particular topics of interest in the field of media and communications with an emphasis on issues that arise in low income countries.

We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including professional experience working in media and communications or development related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE.

You should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from those with professional experience in the media, communications and/or development fields and, in this case, we would accept a degree in other subjects. Exceptionally, where applicants can demonstrate significant expertise in the field and an ability to cope with the academic demands of the programme, we may consider professional experience as mitigation for degree results that are slightly below the required marks.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially. The LSE

Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Programme details

The programme consists of four units, including compulsory and optional courses, and the dissertation. Taught courses typically involve a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes. You will be assessed by written examinations (seen and unseen), research assignments, essays and the dissertation, which must be submitted in August.

The programme runs for one year. Formal classroom teaching is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. Coursework is usually submitted in January and May, examinations are generally held in May and June. The remaining months are set aside for students to complete the dissertations. Please note that we do not provide a practical training in journalism, production, campaigning or media management.

Part-time students will normally take and be examined in courses to the value of two units in each year of study. In the first year, these two units, selected in discussion with the student's academic adviser, will usually include the compulsory theoretical course(s) and one or more option course(s). The methods course(s) and the dissertation are then usually taken in the second year, together with the remaining option course(s). Students may be permitted to vary the

courses to be taken in each year with the approval of their academic adviser.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Critical Approaches to Media, Communication and Development* addresses the history of and tensions between "media for development" and "communication for development", while challenging mainstream perspectives on the role of media and communication in low income countries.

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)* examines key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications within a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective.

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)* aims to provide students with a general training in research methods and techniques including research design, the collection, analysis and interpretation of data.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

On graduating, our students enter a variety of careers in the UK and abroad, including NGO communications, broadcasting, journalism, advertising, new media industries, political marketing, market research, regulation and policy, media management and research in both public and private sectors.

MSc Politics and Communication

lse.ac.uk/grad/pc

Application code: P4UA

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 31/194

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or degree in another field with professional experience in the media and communications field. Exceptionally, professional experience alone (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, however the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full

This programme offers an intensive, year-long exploration of the relations between politics, media and communications. It aims to provide:

- An advanced understanding of theoretical and applied knowledge in the intersecting fields of politics and communication research

- The flexibility to pursue particular topics of interest in the fields of media, politics and communication, culminating in an independent research project in politics and communications
- The opportunity to take courses taught in the Department of Government, as part of the programme options
- An ideal preparation for research work and employment in media, politics, communication and related fields

We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including

professional experience working in media and communications related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE.

You should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from those with professional experience in the media and communication fields and, in this case, we would accept a

degree in other subjects. Exceptionally we may consider professional experience instead of a first degree.

Programme details

The programme consists of four units, including compulsory and optional courses, and the dissertation. Taught courses typically involve a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes. You will be assessed by written examinations, research assignments, essays and the dissertation, which must be submitted in August.

The programme runs for one year. Formal classroom teaching is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. Coursework is usually submitted in January and May, examinations are generally held in May and June. The remaining months are set aside for students to complete the dissertations. Please note that we do not provide a practical training in journalism, production, campaigning or media management.

Part-time students will normally take and be examined in courses to the value of two units in each year of study. In the first year, these two units, selected in discussion with the student's academic adviser, will usually include the compulsory theoretical course(s) and one or more option course(s). The methods course(s) and the dissertation are then usually taken in the second year, together with the remaining option course(s). Students may be permitted to vary the

The combination of a world-class institution in a world-class city grants LSE students unique opportunities. Not a day goes by when there isn't a distinguished speaker on campus I'd like to hear from, or an event I'd like to attend. It has been amazing to be at the centre of media, politics, and power and to take advantage of the plethora of opportunities this affords me.

With a faculty boasting research on just about everything from civic engagement to protest movements to children and the internet, I've also gained a diverse perspective of the field.

Kara Dunford

Quincy, Massachusetts, USA
MSc Politics and Communication



courses to be taken in each year with the approval of their academic adviser.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially. The LSE Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Political Communication* examines the relationship between the mass media and political processes.

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)* addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications, within a broadly interdisciplinary social science perspective.

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)* provides a general training in research methods and techniques.

Democracy and the Media* examines the links between the media and democracy in theory and practice.

A 10,000 word **Dissertation**

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

On graduating, our students enter a variety of careers in the UK and abroad, including broadcasting, journalism, advertising, new media industries, political marketing, market research, regulation and policy, media management and research in both public and private sectors.

METHODOLOGY

lse.ac.uk/methodology

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 22

Research: 8

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 10

Location: Columbia House

The Department of Methodology is an interdisciplinary group with joint appointments in or close connections to other departments in the School. The disciplinary backgrounds of the staff include political science, statistics, sociology, social psychology, anthropology and criminology.

In addition to the MSc and MPhil/PhD in Social Research Methods, the Department offers a variety of advanced level courses, seminars and workshops in research design, quantitative analysis and qualitative methods. These are available for all PhD students in the School. Many departments in the School require students to take courses in the Department as part of MSc and PhD programmes.

MPhil/PhD Social Research Methods Visiting Research Students

Application code: L9ZM (MPhil/PhD), L3EH (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: 2:1 bachelor's degree and a merit in an MSc broadly similar to the MSc Social Research Methods

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Not required but will be considered if submitted

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Social Research Methods is part of the Social Science group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The Department of Methodology welcomes applications from students for our research degree, both full-time and part-time.

For admission to the MPhil/PhD programme in the Department of Methodology, we normally require a good grounding in research methods at master's level. You should have an upper second class honours degree from a UK university or its equivalent abroad, and an MSc at merit level that provides a training broadly similar to our MSc Social Research Methods. Gaps in training in methodology can be addressed in the first year of registration.

Applicants are advised to consult the Department of Methodology website and identify a member of staff who might supervise their project before submitting an application. Any member of staff will be helpful and discuss a potential application beforehand.

Applications should primarily identify a substantive area of research and also demonstrate a particular methodological interest, aiming at a methodological development, for example in collecting innovative new data, new analytic techniques, method comparison, evaluation or validation, method critique, applying existing methodology in new contexts, or cost-benefit analysis of methodologies.

The Department of Methodology at LSE is catholic with regard to methodology: we support both standalone qualitative

and quantitative research, as well as interesting ways of combining them.

When you apply for an MPhil/PhD, you will need to send us a brief research proposal (two to five pages) that sets out clearly the research problem you wish to investigate, explains why it is important, and describes the methods of research you propose to use, and your particular ambition for developing these. This will help us to evaluate your potential to embark on a research degree, and to identify a supervisor with similar interests and the appropriate expertise.

It is expected that a PhD in the Department will be completed in three years of full-time study, with appropriate adjustment made for part-time study. Two supervisors are normally assigned to each research student at the time an offer of admission is made. One of these supervisors may be from outside the Department of Methodology.

Supervisors may recommend or require that students take courses that are deemed essential for their research. These courses may be offered both within and outside the Department or the School, and may require examination.

All research students are initially admitted to the doctoral programme as MPhil students, until they are upgraded to PhD.

In the summer term of your first year, you will produce a 10,000 word research proposal, outlining the theoretical and conceptual framework, the aims and

methods of your thesis. You will also give a short oral presentation of your proposal. The proposal will be assessed by two academics, normally members of the Department of Methodology, who will judge the standard of the proposal to enable you to progress to the second year. In the first year, you will normally also take a portfolio of specialist courses as recommended by your PhD supervisor.

During your second year of registration, you will submit a minimum of three draft chapters of your thesis, including an introduction, a literature review and one or two empirical chapters (for a traditional monograph thesis) or papers (if you are pursuing the paper-based thesis). You should also provide a detailed plan for the completion of the thesis for evaluation by an MPhil/PhD upgrading committee, who will recommend transferral to PhD registration if your work is judged to be of sufficient quality and quantity.

After the first year you will spend more time on independent study under the guidance of your supervisor. This will involve the collection, organisation and analysis of data, and writing up the results. You will also attend the Department's research seminars and other specialist workshops and seminars to broaden your horizon as a social researcher. You will be expected to make an active contribution to these by presenting papers and joining in the discussions.

Taught programme

MSc Social Research Methods (see right)

MSc Social Research Methods

lse.ac.uk/grad/srm

Application code: L3T1

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 18/92

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science. Relevant professional experience can also be considered (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The MSc Social Research Methods is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None. For consideration for ESRC funding, 11 January 2016

Note: This programme is designed as training for doctoral research or pre-professional training careers in social research

This programme is based in LSE's Department of Methodology and offers the following benefits:

- An advanced training in quantitative and qualitative social research methods, in the context of a disciplinary specialisation
- The MSc is designed as a training for doctoral research and as a pre-professional training for careers in social research in the public and private sectors
- Study within LSE's Department of Methodology, which is a base for cross-disciplinary research and teaching in the broad area of social science methodology
- The Department has links with both governmental and private sector research groups
- The programme is taught with other departments in the School

Programme details

You take compulsory courses in research design, quantitative analysis and qualitative research methods. You also submit a research report of 10,000 words, and you have the chance to take workshops on computer packages for quantitative and qualitative analysis during the year.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Quantitative Analysis students select two half units that cover quantitative data analysis from a basic to advanced level.

Qualitative Research Methods* addresses methods of data collection and analysis of qualitative data.

Fundamentals of Social Science Research Design* provides a basic knowledge of social research design.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of optional courses: sociology, social psychology, philosophy, social policy, statistics, decision and policy sciences, government, international development, management, population or methodology.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Almost 50 per cent of the graduates of this programme have entered PhD programmes, or are working in social research in universities or national and local government.

PHILOSOPHY, LOGIC AND SCIENTIFIC METHOD

lse.ac.uk/philosophy

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 80

Research: 19

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 15

REF: 74 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Lakatos Building

The Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method is a world-leading centre for research in the following three broad areas:

Philosophy of science, especially philosophy of physics, biology, economics and the social sciences.

Decision, rational choice and game theory, including evolutionary theory, formal epistemology, and the philosophy of probability.

Moral and political philosophy, including public policy and democratic theory.

We are committed to research that makes a significant difference not only in philosophy and the philosophies of the various sciences, but also in the practice of the sciences themselves – from economics and political science to physics, biology and medicine. Our teaching is research-led: courses cover cutting-edge material and are taught by experts in the field.

The range of graduate master's degrees offered by the Department reflects its strengths: it offers four different MSc programmes, each dedicated to the teaching of one of its particular specialities. The MSc programmes are complemented by an MPhil/PhD programme which creates an active intellectual environment with students working in philosophy of science, philosophy of physics, philosophy of economics, philosophy and public policy, moral and political philosophy, rational choice and scientific methodology.

The Department is closely associated with the Centre for the Philosophy of the Natural and the Social Sciences which hosts leading visiting scholars and supports a range of research projects, seminars and lecture series, and the Forum for European Philosophy which runs a full and varied programme of philosophy and interdisciplinary events in the UK.

The Department administers the prestigious Lakatos prize for an outstanding book in philosophy of science and hosts the annual Auguste Comte Memorial Lectures by a leading scholar in social and political philosophy.

London provides a philosophical environment that is beyond compare. The Department is a member of the Institute of Philosophy of the School of Advanced Study of the University of London, which organises a large number of conferences, seminars, and public lectures every year, and which supports lecture series such as the Logic and Metaphysics Forum and the Aesthetics Forum. Other London

Colleges run seminars and lectures that are open to LSE students. The meetings of the Aristotelian Society, the Royal Institute of Philosophy, and the British Society for the Philosophy of Science are also held in London.

Upon graduation students pursue a wide variety of careers. For those who wish to pursue an academic career an MSc provides an ideal springboard for a PhD. But an MSc also opens doors to many other careers. Our students go on to work as consultants, bankers, journalists, civil servants, or teachers, and yet others work for NGO's or international organisations such as the UN or UNICEF.

In the most recent Philosophical Gourmet Report (2014-15), the Department was ranked first in the world for philosophy of the social sciences; joint second in the world for general philosophy of science, and third in the world for political philosophy and decision, rational choice, and game theory (including formal epistemology). In the Complete University Guide 2016, the Department placed third in the UK with a score of 97.5, just below Oxford and Cambridge.

MPhil/PhD Philosophy MPhil/PhD Philosophy of the Social Sciences Visiting Research Students

Application code: V7ZP (Philosophy), V5ZS (Philosophy of the Social Sciences), V7EP (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Candidates are typically expected to have obtained a distinction (or equivalent), both overall and in their dissertation, in a taught master's degree in philosophy

Writing Sample: Required (see page 40)

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). The MPhil/PhD Philosophy of the Social Sciences is accredited for ESRC funding (see page 38). The Department also supports successful applicants for funding from various UK organisations

Application deadline: None. However, if you wish to be considered for an LSE PhD or ESRC Studentship you should apply by 11 January 2016

Opportunities for research

We accept students for MPhil/PhD in Philosophy in any of the fields in which the Department has special expertise – including philosophy of science, moral and political philosophy, philosophy and public policy, philosophy of social science, philosophy and foundations of physics, philosophy and foundations of economics, philosophy and foundations of decision theory, evolutionary and game theory, and philosophy of probability.

We aim to produce philosophers with a first rate thesis as well as teaching skills. A successful thesis, no matter how sharply focused, must be based on wider expertise. We therefore require students to take an element of coursework in their first year as well as beginning work on their thesis. This involves a combination of examination courses (usually taken from one of our MSc degrees) and seminar courses with extended essays. In particular, students attend and write essays for research methods seminars given by members of the Department on frontier topics in the field.

We typically expect students to have completed a taught master's degree in philosophy, and to have obtained a distinction (or equivalent), both overall and in their dissertation.

All applicants also need to submit a sample of their work in English along with their application.

LSE PhD Studentships provide the primary source of financial support for our incoming students. Please visit the website for further information.

NB: The MPhil/PhD in Philosophy of the Social Sciences is intended only for those with a special interest in pursuing coursework in social sciences methodology, including quantitative, regression, and multivariate analysis during their first and second years. Those with an interest in philosophy of the social sciences that does not extend to such coursework should apply only for the MPhil/PhD in Philosophy.

Taught programmes

MSc Philosophy and Public Policy (see page 166)

MSc Philosophy of Science (see page 168)

MSc Philosophy of the Social Sciences (see page 169)

MSc Economics and Philosophy (jointly with the Department of Economics) (see page 164)

Philosophy is also available as a specialist field within the MSc Social Research Methods. (see page 162)

MSc Economics and Philosophy

lse.ac.uk/grad/ep

Application code: L111

Start date: Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics begins in late August 2016

Duration: 13 months full-time, 25 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 8/119

Minimum entry requirement: First class honours with concentration on economics and quantitative subjects. Core economics courses assume knowledge of constrained optimisation, matrix algebra and basic statistics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: All graduates of non UK institutions must submit a GRE score

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: If your first language is not English, you must submit a writing sample of 5-10 typewritten pages

This interdisciplinary programme is based at the Department of Economics and the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method. The programme offers the following benefits:

- Taught jointly by two departments at LSE which are internationally recognised as among the best in their respective disciplines
- It is unique in offering a rigorous programme in core graduate-level economics courses whilst offering students

the opportunity to engage with moral, methodological and foundational issues

- The philosophy offerings are resolutely interdisciplinary. We take philosophical analysis to be continuous with scientific approaches to political, social and economic problems, and all philosophy staff have a strong background in interdisciplinary work and in areas of social or natural science
- It is taught at an institution which is a major centre for national and international public policy debates

Students have access to a wealth of courses and resources within the Philosophy and Economics Departments and at LSE that are relevant for their studies – for example:

- research seminars on topics in economics, rational and social choice, scientific evidence and policy-making
- the LSE Internships programme in Public Policy, Social Issues and Public Affairs
- the many colloquia at LSE

Some of the questions concerning philosophy of economics that we study are: What are the moral advantages and disadvantages of market institutions? Can we make interpersonal comparisons of well-being, and if so, how should we do so? How do models of economic phenomena relate to the actual social world? What are the assumptions underlying the rational choice model in economics? Can they be normatively justified? Are they descriptively accurate?

To succeed on the programme you need to have excellent quantitative skills and general analytical abilities. The economics courses assume knowledge of constrained optimisation, matrix algebra and basic statistics.

We expect students to have very good grades, with a substantial component of economics in their first degree including standard courses in intermediate macro and microeconomics and econometrics.

All graduates of non-UK institutions must have taken the GRE General Test no more than five years before 1 October 2016, and must include the test scores with their application. We typically expect candidates to score at least in the 85th percentile in the quantitative section of the test. Good scores on the analytical and verbal are also important. When an applicant's first language is not English, we take this into account in assessing the verbal score.

Programme details

This is a highly selective, small programme, and students typically have a good deal of contact with their programme co-ordinator and form a close social group. The Department organises social occasions through the year.

Students will be able to apply to the LSE Internships programme in Public Policy, Social Issues and Public Affairs. This initiative, led by the Careers Service and the LSE Public Policy Group, offers internships to LSE graduate students in key organisations working across the field of public policy, social issues and public affairs.

Students are required to take the Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics before the main teaching programme starts in September.

Compulsory courses

Economics courses

Two from:

Microeconomics develops the basic tools for analysing problems of resource allocation used by economists working in research, government and business.

Macroeconomics provides a wide-ranging survey of modern macroeconomics.

Econometrics aims to present and illustrate the techniques of empirical investigation in economics.

Philosophy courses

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from the large range of philosophy options on offer.

Compulsory seminars

Dissertation Seminar: Economics and Philosophy this non-assessed course covers topics in the philosophy and methodology of economics.

This seminar will prepare you to write a **Dissertation** of not more than 7,000 words.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

**ELMA DUJSO****THE NETHERLANDS****MSc PHILOSOPHY AND PUBLIC POLICY**

I chose LSE's MSc Philosophy and Public Policy for three main reasons: the unique combination of philosophy and public policy; the expert research of our lecturers, which is reflected in the quality of teaching and the content of the courses; and the focus on analytic philosophy.

Being an LSE student is both exciting and challenging. Having students from different backgrounds and with different degrees really enriches our seminar discussions.

The Department is relatively small and the teachers are approachable which makes for a great atmosphere. Each year the Department organises a number of interesting events; there's the Forum for European Philosophy and CPNSS and a departmental weekend.

After graduation, I see myself working in a think tank or a policy institute where I can apply my critical thinking and analytical skills.



Graduate destinations

The degree offers a good preparation for doctoral research in both economics and philosophy. It also prepares students for careers in financial institutions, and intergovernmental, governmental, and non-governmental organisations, and for employment in such fields as financial and economic journalism and consulting.

MSc Philosophy and Public Policy

lse.ac.uk/grad/ppp

Application code: V7U8

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 38/119

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or first class degree, with a considered interest in the areas covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). Lakatos Memorial Scholarship – one £4,000 award

Application deadline: None

– rolling admissions

Note: If your first language is not English, you must submit a writing sample of 5-10 typewritten pages

This programme is based in the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method. The programme offers the following benefits:

- It provides a foundation in the conceptual and normative questions underlying public-policy formulation
- It prepares for a wide variety of policy-oriented careers

It is distinctive in three ways:

- It is resolutely interdisciplinary. We take philosophical analysis to be continuous with the scientific study of political, social and economic problems
- It offers a thorough background in moral and political theory, which students learn to apply to issues in public policy
- It provides a foundation in evidence-based policy, which is now widely mandated at all levels of policymaking

Students have access to a wealth of courses and resources within the Philosophy Department and at LSE that are relevant for the philosophical analysis of public policy, for example:

- research seminars on philosophy and public policy, rational and social choice, scientific evidence and policymaking
- the LSE Internships programme in Public Policy, Social Issues and Public Affairs
- the many policy-related courses and colloquia in LSE
- it is taught at an institution which is a major centre for national and international public policy debates

The MSc in Philosophy and Public Policy will be of interest to students from various backgrounds, for example, from philosophy, history, economics, sociology and political science. We consider applicants with upper second class honours degrees in any discipline, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc. If your first language is not English, please submit with your application a sample of your work in English (five to ten typed pages).

We recruit students from all across the world to assemble a genuinely international group, which enriches the social and intellectual environment that the programme offers. We approach philosophical issues in public policy through the lenses of historical and contemporary developments in ethical theory and political philosophy and we teach students how to use results of the natural and social sciences in evaluating policy. Topics may include various policy areas (for example, health

care, development, social security, climate change), approaches to the study of society (rational, social and public choice), central topics in political philosophy (for example, democracy, liberal neutrality, equality, human rights, punishment and just war) and science and policy (for example, the nature of evidence, objectivity, theory choice, facts and values).

Programme details

Instruction consists of lectures, seminars and one-on-one supervision sessions. Seminar sizes are kept small (less than 16 students). The average number of contact hours on this MSc is 180 hours.

We encourage our students to apply to the LSE Internships schemes in Parliament. Careers Service also provides assistance in applying for internships and work experience in various institutions across London.

The students in this programme typically form a tight social group. The Department, the School and the setting in London offer an interesting social environment.

Compulsory courses

(*half unit)

Philosophy and Public Policy

examines the design and evaluation of public policies from the perspective of moral and political philosophy.

Either **Philosophy, Morals and Politics** or **Scientific Method and Policy**

Philosophy, Morals and Politics covers central topics in moral and political philosophy. Scientific Method and Policy addresses questions such as the following: What counts as evidence for deciding the best policy? Are certain types of evidence (for instance, that from large-sample randomised trials) more objective and thus more telling than others? Do scientists have a responsibility to communicate policy-relevant research in a value-free way? In what sense, if any, is science a "public good", and what does this mean for how it should be governed?

Research and Writing Seminar in Philosophy and Public Policy – this seminar will prepare you to write a **Dissertation** of about 10,000 words on philosophical aspects of a public policy issue.

An additional one unit course or two half unit courses chosen from a range of options in the Department or on a space-available basis across the School.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme prepares you for PhD work in philosophy as well as for policy-oriented careers in governmental, non-governmental or international organisations. We have a very good record of students moving on to good PhD programmes and to high-level jobs with think tanks, in government, or in business. Our graduates are currently working or studying in the following branches: non-government organisations and think tanks; governmental organisations; PhD programmes; law school or legal practice; commercial enterprises; banking and finance; consultancy; international organisations; academic research and teaching.

MSc Philosophy of Science

lse.ac.uk/grad/p3

Application code: V5UG

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 14/47

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 or first class degree, with a
considered interest in the areas
covered by the MSc. Most students
have a science background or one in
philosophy (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36). Lakatos
Memorial Scholarship – £4,000 award
for a single philosophy student

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

Notes: If your first language is not
English, you must submit a writing
sample of 5-10 typewritten pages

With a deep and rigorous programme of coursework and research in the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method, the MSc in Philosophy of Science explores both general questions about the nature of science

and specific foundational issues related to individual sciences such as physics and biology. The Department builds on the tradition established by its founder, Karl Popper, and by prominent former members such as Imre Lakatos.

The Department is regularly ranked among the top places in the world to study the philosophy of science. The Philosophical Gourmet Report ranks the Department as the number one place in the world to do graduate work in philosophy of social science, among the top five departments in the world for decision, rational choice and game theory, among the top 10 for general philosophy of science, and among the top 15 for philosophy of physics.

This programme is an exciting, deep and intensive look at the philosophy of science with some of the field's top researchers. Students can also enjoy tightly knit social groups with others of similar interests, with many departmental activities available to students throughout the year.

The MSc in Philosophy of Science recruits students from across the world, admitting a rich and diverse incoming class.

Applicants are considered only if they hold a first or upper second class honours degree or equivalent. Applicants should also express considered interest in the philosophy of science as covered by the MSc.

The MSc in Philosophy of Science courses are primarily designed to be accessible and stimulating for two main audiences: those who have studied science as undergraduates and would now like

to study in depth the philosophical foundations and methodology of science; and those who have studied philosophy and would now like to study philosophy of science in greater depth.

There are no formal requirements that applicants come from any particular area of study before pursuing this degree.

Programme details

A typical examined course includes 20 hours of lectures and 30 hours of seminars, with a guarantee that no seminar will have more than 15 students. These seminars are often discursive, and provide a unique opportunity to enjoy regular one-on-one interactions with the course lecturers.

In addition, the programme includes 30 hours of teaching in a dissertation research and writing seminar, in which students develop the skills needed to write a research thesis.

Additional one-on-one meetings are available to support dissertation writing and coursework in the degree, and may be requested by the student during office hours or by appointment.

Compulsory courses

*Either Philosophy of Science or
Scientific Method and Policy.*

Philosophy of Science provides an overview of the major traditions and theories of the philosophy of science, including some metaphysical questions, as well as methodological questions about how science works. Scientific Method and

Policy addresses questions such as the following; What counts as evidence for deciding the best policy? Are certain types of evidence (for instance, that from large-sample randomised trials) more objective and thus more telling than others? Do scientists have a responsibility to communicate policy-relevant research in a value-free way? In what sense, if any, is science a "public good", and what does this mean for how it should be governed?

The **Dissertation Seminar** is a non-assessed course, intended to develop the ability to construct sharp analytic philosophical arguments and to write structured philosophical essays. The **Dissertation** is a 10,000 word thesis, which is completed over the summer and must be submitted in early September at the assigned deadline.

Students will then be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This master's programme prepares students for many different possible destinations, including PhD work in philosophy or related disciplines and employment in many non-academic fields such as science journalism, science administration and science management.

MSc Philosophy of the Social Sciences

lse.ac.uk/grad/pss

Application code: V7U1

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 16/58

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1
or first class degree, with a considered
interest in the area covered by the
MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36), Lakatos Memorial
Scholarship – one £4,000 award

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

Note: If your first language is not
English, you must submit a writing
sample of 5-10 typewritten pages

This programme is based in the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method. The programme offers the following benefits:

- It offers a critical examination of conceptual and methodological issues underlying social scientific research
- The Department's approach to philosophical study is resolutely interdisciplinary. We believe that philosophical analysis is best seen as continuous with scientific practice. (In this sense, we fall squarely within the "naturalist" tradition in the philosophy of science)
- The Department's strength in philosophy of economics and rational choice theory make it a natural place to study for those who wish to examine, and critique, the use of these methods within the social sciences
- The Department is one of the major centres for the philosophy of social science in the world
- The degree is highly regarded internationally
- The Centre for Philosophy of Natural and Social Science, housed at LSE, is one of the international centres of the discipline and attracts a series of eminent visitors. MSc students benefit from the seminars and research activities at the Centre
- The Department has close links with other philosophy departments in the University of London. Many graduate level lecture courses given in other colleges of the University are available to MSc students and are required teaching for some courses. This gives students access to the very rich, general London philosophical environment
- The position of the Department within an international centre of excellence in

the social sciences means that there is a good deal of collaboration between social scientists and philosophers both in teaching and research

The MSc in Philosophy of the Social Sciences will be of interest to students from a variety of backgrounds, eg, from philosophy, history, economics, sociology, anthropology, social psychology, geography, political science, and so on. We will consider applicants with a first or upper second class honours degree or equivalent, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc. If your first language is not English, please submit with your application to LSE a sample of your work in English (five to ten typed pages).

We recruit students from all across the world to assemble a genuinely international group, which enriches the social and intellectual environment that the programme offers.

We approach philosophical issues in the social sciences through examining historical and contemporary issues with the scientific study of society. These include topics such as the following: the scientific status of the social sciences, and whether they might count as properly objective. What accounts for the diversity of methods in the social sciences (and lack of agreement as to which ones ought to be followed)? Do evolutionary explanations of social phenomena provide an accurate account of why societies are the way they are, or are such explanations merely unverifiable just-so stories? What

relations exist among rationality, choice, action, and interpretation?

Programme details

A typical student on this programme can expect to have, for each examined course, 20 hours of lectures and 30 hours of seminars (with a guarantee that no seminar will have more than 15 students). In addition, there will be 30 hours of teaching on the dissertation research and writing seminar. Additional contact time concerning one-on-one dissertation and class teaching support is available during office hours and by appointment at the request of the student.

Our students typically form a tight social group. The Department facilitates this by hosting a number of social occasions through the year. In addition, London has a wide range of opportunities for socialising, with a great many additional philosophical activities offered by the Institute of Philosophy and the University of London, enabling enterprising students to make contact with people from other universities.

Compulsory courses

You will write a **Dissertation** of not more than 10,000 words, on a topic in the philosophy of the social sciences (within the "analytic" tradition, broadly construed).

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Past programme graduates have gone on to a wide variety of careers, ranging from Law, studying in various PhD programmes in Philosophy, forming their own start-up, working in the City and working at Google. We have a very good record of students entering excellent PhD programmes.

THE INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND THE MPA PROGRAMME

Formally launched in 2011, the Institute of Public Affairs at LSE is an outward-facing global centre for public policy training and analysis. Drawing on LSE faculty from six of the School's prestigious academic departments, the Institute harnesses the research and teaching expertise of this interdisciplinary group to deliver its two-year Master of Public Administration degree. Inaugurated in 2003, this flagship LSE programme has grown from an initial cohort of 18 students to one which now has 200 students spread across two academic years.

MPA

lse.ac.uk/grad/mpa

Application code: L2UN

Start date: 12 September 2016 (provisional). Some outside options in economics require participation in introductory courses beginning late August 2016

Duration: 22 months full-time only

Intake/applications in 2014: 98/643 (all streams)

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree or equivalent in any discipline, plus at least one year's minimum relevant work experience. Some economics options only available to applicants with a good first degree in economics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Not required, but will be considered if submitted

Fee level: Year one (2016 entry) £23,448; Year two (2017 continuing) £24,384

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

Notes: The MPA programme carries the opportunity for some students to spend ten months abroad at institutions including the School of International and Public Affairs Columbia University; the School of Public Affairs at Sciences Po; the Hertie School of Governance, Lee Kuan Yew School, National University of Singapore; and the Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo

The Master of Public Administration (MPA) is a two-year graduate degree programme in public policy and administration, offered through LSE's Institute of Public Affairs. There is also an Executive MPA programme (see page 230).

Students taking the MPA programme will develop high-level professional policy-making skills required by employers in the public sector and private sector, and by non-governmental organisations.

The MPA:

- equips talented students with knowledge and professional skills in economic and political analysis to undertake and advise on public policy-making

- combines rigorous academic development with strong practical applications in individual and group-based work
- prepares students for careers in the public sector, private companies and non-governmental organisations around the world, including government department and agencies, consultancies and international development agencies
- offers the opportunity to specialise in a sub-field of public policy and administration including economic policy, social policy, public management, development policy and European public policy
- equips students, through the MPA Skills Development Seminars, with strong professional communication skills fundamental to all future career directions

Programme details

The programme is taught over two academic years. The programme comprises a range of core compulsory courses, courses that are compulsory to students' chosen specialisation (called a policy stream), and option courses.

Pre-session course

In late August prior to the start of year one, students attend a compulsory pre-session refresher course at LSE in mathematics and statistics. This course updates and refreshes students' knowledge of mathematics and statistics in preparation for the programme.

Year one

Compulsory courses

In the first year, students take three core compulsory courses which provide them with strong foundational knowledge and skills in political and economic analysis. These will support students in their chosen specialisation in the second year of the programme.

Political Science and Public Policy

– Students will learn game theoretical concepts and apply them to a variety of political contexts; these tools should be useful both for explaining existing political outcomes and for designing interventions to achieve desired future outcomes.

Micro and Macroeconomics (for Public Policy) – Students will learn macro- and micro-economic concepts, models and methods suitable for appraising policy, applicable in a wide variety of contexts.

Quantitative Approaches and Policy Analysis – Students will learn skills for the quantitative evaluation of public policies, with the help of regression based evaluation methods, cost-benefit analysis and computable general equilibrium modelling.

In addition, students choose a fourth course in year one from a wide range of options available across LSE's academic departments. Students' choice can be based on their strengths and interests.

Year two

In the second year, students take a combination of core compulsory courses, courses that are compulsory for students' chosen policy stream, and option courses.

Compulsory course

The MPA Capstone Project – The MPA Capstone is a key component of the second year curriculum. The MPA Capstone is undertaken by a group, usually of three to five students, for a client organisation such as a public sector organisation, international body, or private sector consultancy, on a relevant topic to analyse public policy. Between October to February, team members devote approximately two days per week to the project. Each project is closely supervised by an MPA staff/faculty member, who provides advice and monitors progress. The projects earn a collective grade. Students are expected to manage the division and development of work amongst themselves.

Over the years, the MPA Programme has collaborated with a diverse group of highly reputable clients. These include private sector companies (eg, Boston Consulting Group and British Business Bank), international organisations (eg, UNICEF, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, OECD and UNESCO), NGOs and foundations (eg, Migration Policy Institute and the Gates Foundation), and government agencies (eg, UK Department for International Development, Greater London Authority).

Policy streams

At the beginning of the second year, students choose a policy stream from a range of five which allows them to specialise in a particular area of public policy and administration. Each policy stream has a number of associated compulsory courses. The five MPA policy streams are:

Public and Economic Policy, including the associated compulsory course **Economic Policy Analysis**, this stream focuses on the economic and political analysis of public policies. Typically, graduates from this policy stream pursue careers in economic policy-making.

Public Policy and Management, including the associated compulsory course **Public Management: Strategy, Innovation and Delivery** or **Public Budgeting and Financial Management**, this stream focuses on understanding decision-making and management in the public sector and budgetary processes. Typically, graduates from this policy stream pursue careers in public management or public sector consulting.

International Development, including all three associated compulsory courses **Political Economy of Development I**, **Political Economy of Development II** and **Development Economics**, this stream focuses on the analysis of economic and public policies for developing countries by teaching analytical tools and how to apply them to development policy. Typically graduates from this policy stream pursue careers in international development organisations, government development agencies, NGOs, or private sector companies.

European Public and Economic Policy, including the associated compulsory course **Political Economy of Europe**, this stream focuses on the economic and policy analysis of Europe, broadly understood. Typically, graduates from the policy stream pursue careers related to public policy making working with EU institutions, regional

organisations, national administrations and the private sector.

Public and Social Policy, including the associated compulsory course **Welfare Analysis and Measurement**, this stream focuses on the analysis of public and social welfare. Typically, graduates from the policy stream pursue careers related to public service at local, national and international levels in the fields of with education, employment, health policy and social protection.

Option courses

Finally, students pursue a number of option courses from a wide range of options available across LSE's academic departments. Alternatively, students may choose to write a MPA Policy Paper (6,000 words) or MPA Dissertation (10,000 words) as an option course. This choice is based on each student's strengths and interests.

The MPA Skills Development Seminars

The MPA offers a series of Skills Development Seminars (SDS) to help students strengthen their analytical, evaluative, writing skills and presentation skills. In the first year, the Skills Development Seminars and participatory workshops focus on writing for a policy audience, working in groups and delivering effective presentations. In the second year, they offer academic and practical guidance tailored to Policy Papers and Dissertation. This training is relevant for the Dissertation and Policy Papers as well as for essays, policy memos, the Capstone reports and presentations.

The MPA Policy in Practice Seminars

The Policy in Practice Seminars (PiPs) are an integral feature of the MPA programme. These are weekly seminars involving distinguished professionals or researchers who share their experience in public policy. PiPs provide students with an opportunity to connect classroom learning to real world scenarios. It encourages students to bring their theoretical learning to life through corroborating or challenging things they have learned.

Speakers in 2014/15 included:

- James Deane, Director of Policy and Learning at BBC Media Action
- Michaela Bergman, Chief Counsellor for Social Issues at the European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
- Duncan Green, Oxfam's Strategic Adviser

- His Excellency Guy Trouveroy, the Ambassador of Belgium in the UK.

MPA Dual Degree

The MPA Dual Degree Programme provides an opportunity for selected students to split their MPA degree between two highly reputable institutions. You will have to study for one academic year on the LSE MPA degree in London. The second academic year could be spent on one of the following programmes at our global partner institutions:

- the MPA or the MIA at the School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University
- the MPP at Sciences Po, Paris
- the MPP at the Hertie School of Governance, Berlin
- the MPP at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKY), National University of Singapore

- the MPP at the Graduate School of Public Policy (GraSPP) at the University of Tokyo

Please note: there is no direct entry into the MPA Dual Degree programme. To be eligible to apply for the dual degree programme, you need to be accepted to, and commence study on, either the LSE MPA or one of the partner institution programmes listed above.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

MPA graduates proceed to a wide range of destinations after graduation. Our alumni have assumed consulting and advisor

and analyst roles in government – the UK Department of Work and Pensions, the US Department of the Treasury and the Ministry of Finance of Japan; private sector companies – Deloitte, McKinsey, Boston Consulting Group, and KPMG; international organisations – the World Bank, OECD, UNICEF, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD); and think-tanks and NGOs – the Overseas Development Institute (ODI), the Institute for Public Policy Research (IIPR), Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) and Fundação Getúlio Vargas. Some graduates also go on to study for doctoral degrees at LSE and at other world-renowned institutions.



SOCIAL POLICY

lse.ac.uk/socialPolicy

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 319

Research: 44

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 45

REF: 94 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Old Building

Crime, education, health care, housing, population, social care, social disadvantage, social security, welfare, international development: the problems and challenges in all these areas are as inescapable and relentless as they have ever been. We equip people who want to understand the causes of these problems and the development of policy towards them.

In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework, the UK's nationwide assessment of research quality, impact and environment, the Department was ranked first in the UK for world leading and internationally excellent research and was also awarded the joint highest marks for the non-academic impacts of its work. When adjusted to take account of the high proportion of staff submitted to REF, it is the number one UK Social Policy Department for overall research quality.

Our research programmes and centres, such as the Centre for Analysis of Social Exclusion (CASE), LSE Health and Social Care, the Mannheim Centre for Criminology and the Education Research Group, have outstanding national and international reputations. We have a long standing and deep interest in social policy, planning and related issues in developing countries.

Our reputation is based on a history which dates back to 1912 when social policy was first taught at LSE. This tradition, combining action and research, continued with the contributions of LSE staff such as Richard Titmuss, Peter Townsend, Brian Abel-Smith and David Donnison to the development of social policy and building of the welfare state in Britain and similar developments abroad.

We are actively engaged in local, national and international policy debates, and provide policy advice to government bodies, and assistance to international and local organisations. LSE is also home to Population Studies, one of the world's leading demographic journals.

Study in this area leads to a wide variety of careers that are challenging, socially important, intellectually demanding and personally rewarding. Students go on to senior policy related and academic positions in countries throughout the world.

MPhil/PhD Social Policy MPhil/PhD Demography/ Population Studies Visiting Research Students

Application code: L4ZA (MPhil/PhD Social Policy), M9ZD (MPhil/PhD Demography/Population Studies), L4EA (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016.
VRS intake in all three terms

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: High merit in a master's degree, preferably in social policy, health policy or public policy, plus a 2:1 bachelor's degree

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees (page 36)

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Social Policy is part of the Social Policy group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). The MPhil/PhD Demography/Population Studies is part of the Environment, Energy and Resilience group. ESRC-funded students may be eligible for additional funding for advance quantitative methods training during the MPhil/PhD

Application deadline: Rolling admissions until early July. Please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds, and all students are advised to aim for the first round if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

We welcome applications from students for our research degrees, both full-time and part-time. The Department has approximately 80 research students and is able to offer supervision in a wide range of specialist topics. Students are members of a vibrant and exciting research community. The LSE Library has a full collection of UK, US and EU public documents, parliamentary papers and statistical data. High class networked computer facilities dedicated to research students exist in the Social Science Research Laboratory within the Department. A wide range of computer packages for quantitative and qualitative analysis are available.

Students on the MPhil/PhD programme attend a seminar series run by the doctoral programme directors and are also encouraged to take research methods courses in the Department of Methodology and relevant courses in the Department of Social Policy. Students also

have the opportunity to attend various seminars and courses related to carrying out a PhD, and to present their research.

Applicants for the MPhil/PhD programme should have a master's degree, preferably in social policy, health policy or public policy, together with an upper second or first class honours degree from a UK university or its equivalent abroad. Applicants will normally need marks equivalent to an LSE high merit grade or distinction, with an overall average of 65 per cent in their MSc and 65 per cent in their dissertation to be eligible for admission to the doctoral programme.

For the MPhil/PhD programme, applicants should provide a written proposal of no more than 4,000 words, which gives details of the proposed research question(s), the relevant literature and previous research in the field, planned research methods and theoretical/conceptual framework to be adopted. This will

enable an informed decision about the proposal to be made and to establish if there are appropriate supervisors for the research. Initially students are registered for an MPhil degree. At the end of the first year on the MPhil programme, students submit a piece of written work, of up to 10,000 words, and if progress is satisfactory they transfer retrospectively to the PhD programme; alternatively, they continue with their MPhil registration.

Certain UK/EU applicants may be eligible for the ESRC 1+3 programme. Students on this programme take a recognised MSc in their first year. Transfer from the one year MSc programme to the three year MPhil/PhD programme depends on obtaining high marks in the MSc courses taken.

Registration as a visiting research student is for those who do not wish to proceed to a higher degree, but want to pursue their own research with a supervisor who can support them in their research. Visiting

research students include research and doctoral students registered at overseas universities wishing to undertake some aspect of their research in the UK. Certain seminars and classes can be attended subject to the advice and approval of the supervisor and teachers concerned.

Taught programmes

Programmes on health and health policy

MSc Global Health (see page 175)

MSc Health Economics, Outcomes and Management in Cardiovascular Sciences (Modular) (see page 223)

Executive MSc Health Economics, Policy and Management (see page 221)

MSc Health Policy, Planning and Financing (see page 176)

MSc Health, Population and Society (see page 177)

MSc International Health Policy (see page 178)

MSc International Health Policy (Health Economics) (see page 178)

Programmes on population studies

MSc Population and Development (see page 167)

Programmes on social policy

Executive MSc Behavioural Science (see page 217)

MSc Criminal Justice Policy (see page 175)

MPA Public and Social Policy (see page 171)

MSc Social Policy (Research) (see page 180)

MSc Social Policy and Development (see page 181)

MSc Social Policy and Development (Non-Governmental Organisations) (see page 181)

MSc Social Policy (Social Policy and Planning) (see page 183)

MSc Social Policy (European and Comparative Social Policy) (see page 183)

Social Policy is also available as a specialist field in the MSc Social Research Methods (Social Policy) and MSc Social Research Methods (Population). See MSc Social Research Methods page 162.



MSc Criminal Justice Policy

lse.ac.uk/grad/cjp

Application code: L4U9

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 24/83

Minimum entry requirement:
2:1 in social science or law, or a
degree in another field with relevant
practitioner experience (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £9,936;
overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Social Policy and offers the following benefits:

- It is led by internationally renowned criminologists.
- There is a diversity of staff expertise and research activities.
- It involves inter-departmental collaboration between Social Policy, Law and Sociology.
- It provides access to the Mannheim Centre for Criminology

This MSc provides an opportunity to apply the concepts and theoretical perspectives from criminology, sociology, law and psychology to the subject of crime and the major criminal justice institutions. The programme will provide students with the intellectual tools, from theory, empirical research, and policy analysis, to engage with current debates within criminology and criminal justice. It asks challenging questions such as:

- How can we explain the significant crime drop seen in most Western nations in recent decades?
- What can government or other agencies do to reduce fear of crime?
- Should people go to prison for punishment or as punishment?
- Will reduced spending on the police lead to an increase in crime?
- How can political economy and cultural analysis account for variations in penal policy across states?

The programme is intended for outstanding graduates with an upper second class honours degree in the social sciences or law from the UK, or the equivalent. We will also consider other qualifications and relevant practitioner experience.

Programme details

There are two core courses that must be taken by students:

Criminal Justice Policy – this course provides a detailed and critical introduction to the study of criminal justice institutions, practices and participants. There is a weekly

one and a half hour lecture and a one and a half hour seminar. The course is assessed by examination in the summer term.

Dissertation – general dissertation advice is provided in departmental seminars and additionally you will be provided with a personal supervisor who will guide your work.

Additionally, students will be required to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of half unit options.

Mannheim Centre for Criminology
Students can also attend the Mannheim Centre seminars which are run in association with the British Society of Criminology Southern Branch. This provides an opportunity to hear about scholar's current research as well as meeting informally with speakers, other criminologists, and criminal justice professionals.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

On graduation, most students move into careers in the criminal justice professions, academic or policy research in criminology and criminal justice, and into policy work in governments or charities.

MSc Global Health

lse.ac.uk/grad/ghealth

Application code: L4UO

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014:
New programme for 2015

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1
in any discipline, with social science
background and/or work experience
in the social policy field advantageous
but not essential (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard
(see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £16,208;
overseas £22,736

Financial support: Graduate Support
Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This programme provides high-quality, integrated courses, which are designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills needed to excel in the field of global health policy. Based in the Department of Social Policy, the programme is delivered by faculty based in LSE Health. LSE Health is one of the Department's associated research centres and one of the world's most highly rated research centres in international health policy and health

economics, both for its research and its institutional links. The programme offers:

- teaching by specialists at the forefront of research into global health policy, health economics and population health
- a comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist research groups based in the Department of Social Policy
- study with a highly international and diverse group of students and in a truly international environment

Our wide variety of courses gives you the flexibility to customise your curriculum so that you can pursue the areas that most interest you, suit your background, experience and goals, and challenge you to reach your fullest potential. You will leave LSE with the high-level knowledge and range of skills to help you master new challenges and expand your choice of careers.

Applicants with an upper second class honours degree, or equivalent, from any subject background will be considered. Relevant professional experience would also be advantageous.

Programme details

The MSc is comprised of nine half unit taught courses and a 10,000 word dissertation. Each course consists of a minimum of 20 face-to-face contact hours with tutors, alongside additional meetings and off-campus support from faculty such as online revision sessions.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Policy and Global Health* explores the social determinants of health, and how social policy impacts population health.

Global Health Policy: Institutions, Actors and Politics* examines the transnational institutions and actors involved in global health policy and the interplay between them.

Financing Health Care: Comparative Perspectives* focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Economic Analysis for Health Policy* describes the role economics can play in health policy and health system administration.

Global Ageing* considers the process and implications of ageing at both the population and the individual level and policy responses.

Dissertation* in Global Health.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Possible professional destinations after completing the degree include international organisations and agencies, consultancies, insurance funds, pharmaceutical and medical devices industries, national health services, government departments and agencies and NGOs as well as employment in research or further study for a PhD.

MSc Health Policy, Planning and Financing

lse.ac.uk/grad/hppf

Application code: You should apply through the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. If you also wish to apply for an LSE-only programme, you should submit a separate application to LSE

Start date: Late September 2016 at LSHTM

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Further information: Email: mschppf@lshtm.ac.uk

This programme is based in the Department of Social Policy and at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and offers students the opportunity to have close contacts with leading research centres in the field of health policy, such as LSE

Health and Social Care based in the Department of Social Policy.

The MSc Health Policy, Planning and Financing is one of the oldest graduate-level programmes in health policy worldwide, having been offered continuously since 1986. The programme aims to develop competence and expertise in the field of health policy, planning and finance. You will develop:

- an understanding of the process of policy-making
- knowledge of key options in the policy, planning and financing of health services
- an ability to use disciplines required in formulating, implementing and evaluating health policies and plans
- an understanding of the diversity of international health policies

Programme details

You must take courses to the value of five units overall, one of which includes a 10,000 word dissertation.

Students will be supervised by staff in the Department during the course of the academic year and particular guidance will be provided in the selection of their dissertation topic.

For each course, students will need to undertake private study, seminar preparation, assessed essay writing and teamwork where applicable. Students are also expected to see their academic advisers at least a couple of times per term and

discuss their dissertation topics and progress on it in individual meetings during the Lent term and the Summer term.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Financing Health Care* (LSE) aims to give students a thorough grounding in health financing policy. It focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Either **Health Services*** (LSHTM), which provides students with a range of ways of thinking about health services and health systems. Drawing on epidemiology, history, medicine, economics and sociology, the module will help students understand how services function, the reasons services have developed in the way they have, the basis of some universal, persistent problems, and possible solutions to such difficulties or **Health Policy Process and Power** (LSHTM), which equips students to study or work in the health policy arena at international, national and local levels, including: reviewing different basic theoretical approaches and concepts used in policy analysis; analysing the political system within which policies are made and the contextual factors that influence policy change; identifying the different arenas involved in health policy, the actors within these arenas, and the key features of processes of policy identification, formulation, and

implementation; and planning how to use in research and/or decision-making the policy analysis framework introduced during the course.

Dissertation on any topic in the field of health policy, planning and/or financing.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Career destinations after graduation are wide and varied, reflecting the diverse international mix and multi-disciplinary nature of the Health Policy, Planning and Financing class. Graduates from the programme are typically employed by national governments, international organisations, research/management consultancy, industry and the voluntary sector.

MSc Health, Population and Society

lse.ac.uk/grad/hps

Application code: L4U3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time; 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 15/84

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme is based in the Department of Social Policy and offers the following benefits:

- to study the interrelations between population, development and health
- the chance to develop methodological skills used in population studies
- the chance to examine health and population interactions and policy implications in considerable depth
- teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of their disciplines

Students normally need at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent. No particular academic background is required.

Programme details

The programme involves completing courses to the value of three full units and a 10,000 word dissertation on a relevant topic.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Epidemiology* brings together the main issues in health, population and society in developed countries, including the role of social and biological factors in determining health and mortality.

Global Health and Population Change* explores issues and measurements of health and population.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students graduating from this programme can expect to work in national and international institutions dealing with health and population issues, such as WHO, UNFPA, UNDP, IOM, as well as central and local national governments. A large number of our students have been employed in the health sector of their respective countries. Considerable interest has been shown in our students from the non-governmental sector as well as the private one. Additionally, many of our students go on to do a PhD in population health or a related discipline.

MSc International Health Policy

MSc International Health Policy (Health Economics)

lse.ac.uk/grad/ihp

Application codes: L4UH (L4UJ Health Economics)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time;
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 60/239

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent. For Health Economics, a first degree should be in economics, mathematics, statistics, or any other quantitative subject (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £15,216;
overseas £21,744

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

These programmes are based in the Department of Social Policy and offer the following benefits:

- international faculty in many courses, enhancing the programmes' international perspective

- potential for internships with major international and governmental organisations, companies or academic institutions as part of the overall student assessment
- contact with research staff in LSE Health and Social Care, including specialists in health economics, public health, social care, European health care reform and behavioural public policy

For the Health Policy programme you need a first degree in a relevant academic subject (economics or other social sciences, medicine and some humanities subjects) whereas for the Health Economics programme you need a first degree in economics, mathematics, statistics or any other quantitative subject. For both, the first degree should be at a standard equivalent to British university upper second class honours.

Please note that upon admission transfer from one degree to the other is not permitted.

In the MSc International Health Policy programme, you analyse current and emerging health care problems and the range of health policies being developed to meet them internationally. The programme gives you the opportunity to examine important health policy issues through the application of basic health policy and economic principles. The MSc in International Health Policy (Health Economics) allows you to concentrate on options geared to health economics analysis.

Programme details

For both programmes, you take taught courses to the value of four units consisting

of compulsory and optional courses. Many courses are offered as half units thus enabling a wide range of subjects to be covered. In addition, both programmes require you to undertake a compulsory 10,000 word dissertation on a relevant topic which may be written in conjunction with a summer placement within a government department, international agency, private organisation, or academic research institution. The dissertation makes up the fifth unit of the MSc.

MSc International Health Policy

Students must take taught courses to the value of four full units and undertake a 10,000 word Dissertation which counts as the fifth unit.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Financing Health Care* focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Measuring Health System Performance* presents a framework to discuss the opportunities and challenges with performance measurement in health care.

Dissertation

Two from:

Foundations of Health Policy* provides a comparative approach to the development of health and healthcare policies in high, middle and low income

countries, emphasising present and future policy options and problems.

Health Economics* develops basic economic concepts as they are applied to the health sector, and provides for specialisation in health economics.

Pharmaceutical Economics and Policy* introduces the economics of pharmaceutical markets and related policies that affect national and international markets.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

MSc International Health Policy (Health Economics)

Students must take courses to the value of four full units, and undertake a full unit MSc dissertation.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Financing Health Care* focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Either **Health Economics*** develops basic economic concepts as they are applied to the health sector, and provides for specialisation in health economics or **Advanced Health Economics*** covers international comparisons of health care expenditure, health care insurance, contract theory, equity in health care, health behaviour and an introduction to econometric analysis applied to health care data.

Dissertation

Two from:

Statistical Methods in Health Care Economic Evaluation* develops the statistical and modelling techniques necessary to apply economic evaluation to the healthcare sector.

Cost-Effectiveness Analysis in Health Care* examines the theoretical foundations of health care economic evaluation.

Applied Health Econometrics introduces econometric techniques that can be applied to health economics.

Students will be expected to choose their remaining courses from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Professional destinations after completing the degree include consultancies, pharmaceutical companies, health services, international organisations, government departments and agencies and NGOs as well as employment in research or further study for a PhD.

MSc Population and Development

lse.ac.uk/grad/pd

Application code: L1S3

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24-28 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 24/83

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). ESRC/PIC Master's Studentship Scheme in Population Studies, worth £15,000

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This challenging and thought-provoking programme will bring you up to date with current global issues about the relationships between development and population. It is aimed at outstanding individuals who want to understand, and engage in, debates and issues such as: Is poverty the main cause of rapid population growth? How are policies on international migration developed? What are the likely impacts of HIV/AIDS

on society and economy in low income countries? How and why does female education affect child survival?

The programme is an advanced degree based around the issues, approaches and techniques for understanding the ways in which development and population change influence each other. It incorporates a balance between the conceptual and analytic approaches of development and population studies. Students may come from a variety of backgrounds, and you normally need an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- a multi-perspective approach, incorporating policy, evidence and theory
- options from a wide range of highly rated courses
- develops skills which have already secured past students promising professional careers
- taught through a combination of lectures and seminar discussions and assessed using a combination of coursework, written examinations and a dissertation
- ESRC/PIC Master's Studentship Scheme in Population Studies worth £15,000 is available for this programme.

The core curriculum focuses on social science concepts and perspectives to understand development and population change.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Either Development: History, Theory and Policy integrates the concepts and perspectives of a range of disciplines to consider: major trends of development and change in modern history and interpretations of them in the social sciences; contemporary economic and social theory and their bearing on the policy and practice of development or **Key Issues in Development Studies*** provides an overview of the key issues and debates in international development *and* one other half unit development course.

Long Essay and the Research Process (not assessed) provides an understanding of issues associated with the research process in the context of MSc Social Policy essays.

Dissertation on population and development

Two from:

Population and Development: An Analytic Approach* examines different analytic approaches to the main interrelationships between population change and socio-economic development.

Population Analysis: Methods and Models* is an introduction to the key concepts and methods of population analysis.

Global Health and Population Change* aims at looking at the relationship of population change and global health, and follows a multidisciplinary approach by

integrating demography, public health and epidemiology.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a wide range of options that include development, social policy, gender, health, and many other fields.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme has provided excellent career prospects for graduates. The content and structure of the programme provide skills and knowledge to candidates looking for high-level careers in public, private and voluntary agencies, both national and international. We have alumni working in major organisations such as the WHO, IPPF, Global Vision, Marie Stopes International, UNFPA, UNICEF, USAID, DFID, as well as in a wide range of governmental and non-governmental organisations throughout the world. As a result of the broad focus of the programme we have also had a number of students go on to work in major private companies in a variety of roles.

MSc Social Policy (Research)

lse.ac.uk/grad/spr

Application code: L4UA

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 13/65

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline, with social science background and/or work experience in the social policy field advantageous but not essential (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £9,936; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The Social Policy (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions, but consideration given for ESRC funding applications should apply by 11 January 2016

This programme is based in the Department of Social Policy and aims to provide a set of high-quality, integrated courses to equip students in social policy with transferable

research skills before they move on to substantive research, whether in the form of a PhD or in employment. It offers the following benefits:

- study in a Department which has achieved one of the highest ratings in the UK for the quality of its research
- teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of research into British, European and global social policy and by experts in different social science research methodologies
- a comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist research groups based in the Department as well as to LSE's Department of Methodology.

Students can progress to research degrees (subject to normal admissions procedures at LSE and other institutions). The MSc is recognised as research training by the ESRC (for students seeking later funding for doctoral research).

Applicants with an upper second class honours degree from within any subject background will be considered. A social science background and/or work experience in the social policy field are advantageous, but not essential.

Programme details

The programme is provided in conjunction with the Department of Methodology, and offers advanced training in both quantitative and qualitative methods along with a specialist taught course in applications of different research

approaches to social policy questions. It consists of four course units, including compulsory and optional courses. A key component of the MSc is a dissertation of up to 10,000 words on a topic individually selected by the student, to be prepared with the guidance of a personal supervisor. For students continuing to a PhD, this will often form the basis of their eventual doctoral thesis.

See also MSc Social Research Methods (Social Policy) in the Department of Methodology (page 162), which involves greater methodological content (two taught units on methods, rather than one), but no optional subject papers.

Compulsory courses

Either **Foundations of Social Research 1** or **Foundations of Social Research 2**. Both courses are designed to give students a good introduction to quantitative and qualitative methods.

Social Policy Research equips students with the tools to critically assess a whole range of research designs used in the study of social policy questions.

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Dissertation

In addition, students will choose courses equivalent to one full unit. The options list is wide so as to permit students to choose an option or options that fits with the proposed subject of their dissertation. Students without a background in social policy are strongly encouraged to take the "core" half unit Social Policy: Goals and Issues in the Michaelmas term.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Previous students have gone on to a wide variety of research and policy jobs in the public, private and voluntary sectors, in the UK and internationally, including work in central and local government, public services, research consultancies, and non-governmental organisations.

MSc Social Policy and Development MSc Social Policy and Development (Non-Governmental Organisations) (formerly MSc NGOs and Development)

lse.ac.uk/grad/spd

Application code: L4U7, M1T2 (NGO)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time

Intake/applications in 2014:

MSc Social Policy and Development: 48/221; MSc Social Policy and Development (Non-Governmental Organisations): 27/125

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in a relevant social science

Professional experience is advantageous (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,704; overseas £19,544

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: The fee includes £200 associated with a residential workshop at Cumberland Lodge

This programme (divided into two streams) is based in the Department of Social Policy and offers the following benefits:

- a comparative, international and multi-disciplinary environment
- staff with expertise in Asia, Africa, Latin America and post-communist societies, who maintain research and advisory links with governments and key international development organisations
- links to leading research groups based in the Department specialising in social exclusion, health and social care and education

The first stream, Social Policy and Development, approaches social policy and development primarily from the perspective of government. The second stream, Social Policy and Development:



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MSc SOCIAL POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT

I love that some of the most influential thinkers and academics in social policy have passed through LSE in one capacity or another. The professors are incredibly insightful and respected in their fields.

Social policy affects people at every stage of their lives. Which policies governments choose to prioritise can shape the development of not only that country, but also many others in the international community. Exploring policy processes within a global institution such as LSE, with students from all over the world really provides a global perspective on the subject matter.

LSE has great resources, especially the library, and this is something I can access on or off campus, so as a part-time student, that's a wonderful time-saver and a great asset during assignments.

London is a big melting pot of culture and it's a welcoming and vibrant place to be. The best thing is that you can find somewhere to satisfy any whim; from salsa dancing to outdoor cinema at nearby Somerset House.



Non-Governmental Organisations approaches the subject from the perspective of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and wider civil society. Both streams share a common engagement with the core concepts and debates within social policy and development including the policy process, wellbeing, poverty and exclusion, global institutions and the aid system, sustainability and livelihoods, and rights and citizenship.

This MSc programme is aimed at candidates with work experience in or from Africa, Asia, Latin America and post-communist societies. Currently about two thirds of students come from these regions and in a typical year we have representatives from 25 or more different countries. For the first stream, programme participants are normally development professionals from central planning ministries and sectoral social service ministries such as education, rural and urban development, health, social security and social work services. We also have students who are representatives of multilateral aid bodies such as the World Bank, UNDP and UNICEF. For the second, which was formerly known as the MSc NGOs and Development, participants are drawn mainly from northern and southern NGOs including Oxfam, Action Aid, BRAC, Christian Aid, Médecins sans Frontières and Save the Children Fund, as well as from smaller civil society organisations. Both MSc streams are suitable for development

policy researchers in institutions of higher education and think tanks.

For either stream, you will need a first degree in a relevant academic subject (sociology, economics, political science, anthropology, development studies) at a standard equivalent to a British university first class or upper second class honours degree. Most applicants will also have some relevant work experience in a developing or post-communist society, although we will also consider applications from academically well-qualified applicants seeking to begin a career in development. A degree qualification is not always necessary if you have exceptional professional experience. Applications from experienced people with a non-social science degree will also be considered.

The MSc programme has four aims:

- to develop understanding of the theory and practice of social policy in developing and post-communist countries
- to allow deeper study in development policy areas of particular interest through the choice of a wide range of optional courses and through writing a 10,000 word dissertation
- to compare experience of social policy in a variety of countries and development institutions, drawing on current research and on the contrasting

professional experience of the course participants in seminars and workshops

- to develop analytical, organisational and planning skills, and enhance written and oral communication and presentation skills

Programme details

Teaching is by a mixture of lectures, student-led seminars, workshops and tutorials. Assessment is through a combination of unseen examinations, course essays, and a distinctive 10,000 word dissertation for each stream.

For both streams, you take courses to the value of four units consisting of compulsory and optional courses. In addition, both the programmes require you to write a MSc dissertation on a relevant topic.

Stream one: Social Policy and Development

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Policy and Development: Core Concepts* † gives students a knowledge of core concepts within the theory and implementation of social policy in developing countries.

States, Social Policy and Development* provides the analytical tools needed to understand and critically

evaluate the key practical challenges of social development.

Dissertation – Social Policy and Development.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

Stream two: Social Policy and Development: Non-Governmental Organisations

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Policy and Development: Core Concepts* † gives students a knowledge of core concepts within the theory and implementation of social policy in developing countries.

Non-Governmental Organisations, Social Policy and Development* focuses on the specialised field of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) within the field of social policy and development, and considers theoretical and policy issues.

Dissertation – NGOs and Development.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two full units from a range of options.

† Students will be required to attend a residential workshop at Cumberland Lodge. The cost of this workshop is £200, which is included in the fee for this programme.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students who have graduated from this programme have gone on to work for:

- different UN agencies including UNDP, UNICEF and UNHCR
- a variety of small and large NGOs including Oxfam, Médecins Sans Frontières, International Red Cross, One World Action
- international or intergovernmental organisations such as the World Economic Forum, European Commission, World Bank
- consulting companies
- government ministries

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

Creating incentives to improve public services

Professor Julian Le Grand's innovation policy ideas inspired radical government reforms that introduced choice and competition to improve key public services.

MSc Social Policy (Social Policy and Planning)

MSc Social Policy (European and Comparative Social Policy)

lse.ac.uk/grad/sppecsp

Application code: L4U2 – Social Policy and Planning; L4U8 – European and Comparative Social Policy

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: Social Policy and Planning: 32/132; European and Comparative Social Policy: 18/57

Minimum entry requirement:

First degree at 2:1 level or above in any discipline, with social science background and/or work experience in the social policy field advantageous but not essential (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £9,936; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: Flexible programme allowing students to tailor their degree to their area of interest

This programme (divided into two streams) is based in the Department of Social Policy and offers the following benefits:

- a comparative, international and multi-disciplinary environment
- links to leading research groups in the Department specialising in social disadvantage, health and social care, education, criminology and development

1. The first stream, Social Policy (Social Policy and Planning) is a broad programme in many aspects of social policy that can be tailored to the interests of students from a wide range of backgrounds. It is the oldest master's level programme in social policy in the world but it has evolved to reflect new interests and challenges.

Applicants with an upper second class honours degree, or its equivalent, in any subject will be considered. A social science background and/or work experience in the social policy field are advantageous, but they are not essential.

Students on this stream are drawn from many parts of the world and the courses

draw on international experience and evidence. It is a flexible programme allowing students to tailor their degree to their own areas of interest.

Programme details

A key component of the MSc is a long essay (dissertation) of up to 10,000 words on a topic individually selected, to be prepared in conjunction with a personal supervisor. This offers the opportunity to pursue an area in depth, often related to past or future career interests.

The stream is available on a full-time basis over one year or a part-time basis over two years.

2. The second stream, Social Policy (European and Comparative Social Policy) is an integrated programme designed for people looking towards careers as practitioners, planners and administrators of public services whose interest or work lies at the international and European level. It is equally aimed at those interested in careers in teaching and social research with an international or European perspective. The programme, launched in 1988, was the first graduate programme of its kind in the EU. It provides students with the opportunity of examining major current social problems and the range of policies being developed to address them from a cross-national European and international perspective. Through multi-disciplinary and cross-national study, students gain a thorough grounding in the comparative analysis of the institutional arrangements of European welfare states, as well as examining specific social problems shared by individual

countries. Issues involved in further EU integration are also addressed. Equally, welfare state models outside the EU and the growing pressures of globalisation are also studied in order to widen understanding of social policy options available.

Students come from a wide range of backgrounds reflecting the variety of intellectual and professional skills involved in planning, managing and researching social policies cross-nationally and at EU level. You normally need an upper second class honours degree in a relevant academic subject. We welcome part-time students.

There are opportunities to learn major European and other languages (see page 28).

Programme details

A key component of the MSc is a long essay (dissertation) of up to 10,000 words on a topic individually selected, to be prepared in conjunction with a personal supervisor. This offers the opportunity to pursue an area in depth, often related to past or future career interests.

The stream is available on a full-time basis over one year or a part-time basis over two years.

Stream one: MSc Social Policy (Social Policy and Planning)

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Policy: Goals and Issues* examines the nature of social policy and policymaking in advanced welfare states.

Social Policy: Organisation and Innovation*

explores the organisation of social policy, structures, processes and delivery, and recent developments in social policy in industrialised countries.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Stream two: MSc Social Policy (European and Comparative Social Policy)

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

The Governance of Welfare: The Nation State and the European Union*

introduces the principle methods and analytic models of comparative social policy.

Social Policy: Goals and Issues*

examines the nature of social policy and policymaking in advanced welfare states.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates from the Social Policy and Planning stream have gone on to a variety of careers in research, the policy arena in think tanks and the political sphere, social service administration, voluntary organisations and many other destinations. Graduates from the European and Comparative Social Policy stream have found positions within a wide range of institutions, including the European Commission, European Parliament, EU lobbying organisations, consultancies, UNESCO, broadcasting, journalism, international departments of national civil services, as well as employment in teaching and research or further study for a PhD.



SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY

**[lse.ac.uk/
socialPsychology](http://lse.ac.uk/socialPsychology)**

**Number of graduate students
(full-time equivalent)**

Taught: 127

Research: 22

**Number of faculty (full-time
equivalent):** 14

Location: Queen's House

The Department of Social Psychology at LSE is a thriving centre for research for the study of social psychology and has an international reputation for its research-led teaching in a variety of fields. Founded in 1964 the Department is one of the largest concentrations of social psychologists in Europe with 14 full-time academic staff and over 150 graduate students currently enrolled on four specialist master's programmes and conducting research towards PhD.

The MSc degree in Social Psychology, now called MSc Social and Cultural Psychology, established in 1964, was the first specialised degree in social psychology in the UK. The MSc in Organisational and Social Psychology was launched in 1990, the MSc in Social and Public Communication in 2003, the MSc Health, Community and Development in 2005 and the MSc Psychology of Economic Life commencing for the first time in 2016.

All our MSc programmes are recognised by the Economic and Social Research Council as providing research training.

As teaching is research-led it emphasises the contribution of social and cultural psychology in the analysis of contemporary social, economic and political issues. Among the current wide range of interests are social representations, beliefs and attitudes, the interface cognition and culture, communication, health, community and development, consumption, science and society, new technologies, multiculturalism, ethnicity and race, gender and social identities.

Former students include professors, lecturers, researchers, and professionals in media and business now working all around the world. Many have entered a variety of occupations including local or national government, international agencies, social research, marketing, media and broadcasting, industry, personnel, consulting and teaching. About one in five graduates from master's programmes go on to complete higher degrees by independent research.

MPhil/PhD Social Psychology Visiting Research Students

Application code: L7ZP (MPhil/PhD), L7EP (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016. For January start, contact the Department

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Taught master's with merit and 2:1 bachelor's degree in an appropriate subject

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See page 36

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Social Psychology is part of the Social Science group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that for nominations for selection for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents

Opportunities for research

The Department currently offers research opportunities in health, community and development; social and cultural psychology; organisational social psychology; and social and public communication.

The stream that a student belongs to is flexible and open to negotiation and depends largely on the topic of research and the area of coursework. The streams overlap and students are encouraged to develop interdisciplinary approaches to research.

Normally, you should have a high level of pass at merit level or better in an appropriate master's degree, together with at least an upper second class honours degree in an appropriate subject from a UK university or its equivalent abroad. We also value professional experience outside university and mature students are welcome.

Initially you will register for the MPhil and follow a programme which involves formally assessed coursework. This includes a broad training in research methods together with the core course from the corresponding master's programme. In addition you follow a specialised option course appropriate to the topic of your research (assessed by coursework). You may be exempt from some or all of these courses, depending on your qualifications. You must attend the Current Research Seminar.

At the end of your first year, progression will be determined by an extended essay of around 13,000 words, assessed by a thesis committee. The thesis committee includes your supervisor and a member of staff whose research interests differ from your research area. During your second

year, the decision on whether your registration should be upgraded to PhD is made by your thesis committee, based on reading three draft chapters of your thesis, a plan for completion, and a viva voce examination. You will be provided with detailed feedback on your work and a tape recording of the examination.

The Department prides itself as being at the cutting edge of new methods in digital ethnography, for which equipment and support are available in-house, including subcams and sensecams. Students have access to a large range of software, from the classic statistical packages and CAQDAS to text and video mining. The licensing for much of this software enables students to install the software on their own computers for a nominal charge.

The Department has research partnerships with top institutions on all continents, and field work is often outside the UK. The editorial offices of three international journals are based at the Department.

Students are encouraged to present at international conferences and publish in international journals. Part time positions for research, teaching and editorial assistance are often available, giving students valuable experience and publication opportunities.

We encourage transdisciplinary research, methodological triangulation, lab, online or real-world experiments, collaboration within and outside LSE, theoretical diversity and research that has an impact on society.

Taught programmes

MSc Organisational and Social Psychology (see page 186)

MSc Psychology of Economic Life (see page 187).

MSc Social and Cultural Psychology (see page 187)

MSc Social and Public Communication (see page 188)

Social Psychology is also available as a specialist field in MSc Social Research Methods (see page 162)

MSc Organisational and Social Psychology

lse.ac.uk/grad/osp

Application code: L7U2

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 56/231

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or first class degree, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Organisational and Social Psychology is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

This programme offers a wide range of choice in optional courses within the Department and the School so that you can deepen or widen your expertise, and take up the advanced study of particular aspects of organisations.

We will consider applicants with an upper second class honours degree in any discipline and a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc.

Please note that it is not the aim of this programme to offer a foundation level training in organisational management skills as might typically be expected from a master's degree in business administration.

Programme details

The programme consists of four course units, including compulsory and optional courses and a dissertation. A weekly professional seminar series in the Lent term provides students on the programme with the opportunity to debate with professionals, managers and consultants working on a variety of organisational contexts.

Compulsory courses

Organisational Social Psychology will address both the social psychology of organisations and social psychological processes within organisations.

Methods for Social Psychological Research provides students with an overview of methodological issues for social psychological research.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Recent graduates have gained employment worldwide in consultancy, international enterprises and firms, banks, government, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), or have gone on to obtain PhDs and pursue an academic career.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT

When what we get is not what we want

The role of announced versus desired integration patterns in support for mergers, collaborative research with LSE's **Dr Ilka Gleibs** and colleagues in the UK and the Netherlands.

MSc Psychology of Economic Life

lse.ac.uk/grad/pel

Application code: C8UC

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: New programme for 2016

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or first class degree, with a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504, overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions.

This programme offers a range of choice in optional courses within the Department and the School so that you can deepen or widen your expertise, and take up the advanced study of particular aspects of economic life. This MSc provides you with psychological knowledge to analyse economic phenomena and alternative business models. It teaches skills for change management and improving socio-

economic systems and business models. It encompasses the domains of consumer behaviour and sustainable consumption, decision-making, corporate communication, creativity and innovation, profit and non-profit economics and economic life in general. Assessment is part of the learning process and makes use of case studies.

We will consider only applicants with an upper second class honours degree in any discipline and a strong motivation in the areas covered by the MSc.

Please note that it is not the aim of this programme to offer a foundation level training in economics or management as might typically be expected from a master's degree in economics or an MBA.

Programme details

The programme consists of four course units, including compulsory and optional courses and a dissertation. A seminar series in the Lent term provides students on the programme with the opportunity to prepare, by project groups, case studies on alternative business models.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Psychology of Economic Life includes key Social psychological theories (PS443 Societal Psychology) and specific applications of psychology to economic life.

Methods for Social Psychological Research provides students with an overview of methodological issues for social psychological research.

Dissertation based on empirical research.

Students are expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Employment worldwide in consultancy, government, international organisations, corporations and companies in search of more sustainable or non-standard business models, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), charities; or could continue to obtain PhDs and pursue an academic career.

background in psychology is desirable but not a requirement) (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The MSc Social and Cultural Psychology is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

The MSc Social and Cultural Psychology is unique in its combination of social and cultural approaches to psychology and one of the world's leading programmes in this field. It offers an extensive choice of specialist courses, addressing a variety of theoretical and applied issues in social and cultural psychology and in the social sciences as a whole. The programme has research training recognition from the ESRC UK and LSE's reputation with employers opens up a broad range of career opportunities. The critical and analytical skills that you will develop are attractive to employers in the public and private sectors. Many students benefit from the rigorous training offered by the programme and progress to further graduate training and to academic appointments.

MSc Social and Cultural Psychology

lse.ac.uk/grad/scp

Application code: L7U1

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 29/151

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in a social science discipline (a

The programme is designed for students with an upper second class honours degree in psychology or related disciplines. High-level graduates from the humanities and other fields not specifically related to psychology are also considered for a place.

This programme aims to give students a grounded understanding of theoretical and applied issues as well as a sophisticated training in a broad range of research methods. It will advance your knowledge and professional competence in the area of social and cultural psychology, and enhance your independent thinking and analytical skills.

Programme details

The degree is a 12 month programme, consisting of four full units comprising two compulsory courses (one theoretical and one methodological), a research dissertation of 10,000 words and two optional courses. All students follow a compulsory core course in social and cultural psychology and a course in research methods covering qualitative and quantitative methodologies. A wide range of optional courses enables candidates to choose two courses that meet their interest and motivation.

Students leave the Department equipped with conceptual and research skills, the ability to assess and analyse evidence, critical judgement and experience of working individually and in teams.

Compulsory courses

Contemporary Social and Cultural Psychology examines the relationship between mind, society and culture with a focus on phenomena at the interface between the individual and society. Issues covered include self in society, individual and social identities, cognition and culture, social representations, attitudes and attributions, language and communication, social influence, beliefs and inter-group relations and various applied aspects of social and cultural psychology.

Methods of Social Psychological Research provides students with training in quantitative and qualitative methods of research for social and cultural psychology.

Dissertation involves field research in an approved topic supervised by a member of faculty.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme is intended to equip students for a career in business organisations, communities, health, the media, development and international agencies, government or in research.

MSc Social and Public Communication

lse.ac.uk/grad/spc

Application code: L7U5

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 23/104

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science and relevant professional experience (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). MSc Social and Public Communication (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding: 11 January 2016

Note: Some options may be counted towards the CIPR Diploma (exemption from up to two units)

This programme explores communication as a social psychological process central to the conduct of everyday life, in public as well as in private. Communication is

both the foundation of social life as well as a professional activity to influence and persuade, to gain advantage, to build and sustain a community of trust, and to reach a common understanding on a controversial issue. You will be provided with an overview of theories of communication that enable you to analyse communication events and the practical dilemmas faced by those working in different domains of public communication. Central themes will include:

- the psychological and societal process involved in public communication
- conceptual frameworks for analysis, evaluation and design of public communication
- developments in the analysis, evaluation and design of public communication in politics, business, development, health and science and technology
- new communication and media technologies are not central to this analysis, but will be analysed by their emerging (dys)function

The programme is not simply a training programme in social marketing offering you a box of tools and rhetorical tricks for efficient and effective persuasion. It is an academic, research based programme that will enable you, through a range of core and topical courses to engage critically with existing tools of analysis, evaluation and design of communication endeavours. We offer a comparative approach, with a focus on clear language

across a range of domains where public communication is pivotal. This includes an awareness of international attempts to establish professional competence in public communication. The programme is exclusively recognised by the professional certification of the Chartered Institute of Public Relations in the UK.

To be considered for a place you should normally have an upper second class honours degree in one of the social sciences and have relevant professional experience.

Programme details

The programme involves completing four course units, including a dissertation of 10,000 words.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Psychology of Communication examines core theories towards a social psychology of communication.

Methods for Social Psychological Research provides students with an overview and method skills to conduct empirical social psychological research.

Dissertation allows students to “show and tell” their learning effort with a small research project that is well documented and presented.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options including research methods.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Our graduates find excellent employment and career opportunities in a range of sectors of the communications industry including consultancy, journalism, publishing, advertising, public relations, education and outreach, and in international organisations. Several former graduates have created their own business.

SOCIOLOGY

lse.ac.uk/sociology

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 188

Research: 30

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 26

REF: 80 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: St Clement's

from all over the world. The Department is committed to empirically rich, conceptually sophisticated, and socially and politically relevant research and scholarship. While building upon the traditions of the discipline it seeks to play a key role in developing new intellectual areas, and addressing the social problems and ethical dilemmas that face a globalised society.

LSE Sociology embraces a theoretically and methodologically diverse range of approaches, focussing upon the following key areas:

Economies, risk and technology

This cluster brings together cutting edge sub-disciplines in the sociology of economic life; science, technology and society; the sociology of money and finance; and risk regulation. Research focuses on: markets, cultures and institutions; risk governance, knowledge and technology; money, finance and banking; and work, families and migration.

The Department of Sociology at LSE was the first to be created in Britain and has played a key role in establishing and developing the discipline nationally and internationally – since 1904. Today the Department has around 25 teaching staff, together with a number of research fellows, visiting professors and visiting scholars



Politics, human rights and injustice

This cluster builds on our strong tradition related to the sociology of politics and human rights and is focused on several research themes: the social bases of political parties and movements; the remaking of urban political engagement and social capital; the political sociology of cosmopolitanism; the sociology of violence and wars. This research cluster has a strong international focus covering North and South America, South Asia and the Middle East.

Urban change, culture and connection

The Department has a distinctive cluster of urban sociologists working alongside urban designers, planners, ethnographers and anthropologists who address the scale and dynamism of processes of urban transformation. Research at LSE Cities examines the physical and social shaping of environments, infrastructures, institutions and localities as they emerge in relation to cultural hierarchies, modes of power and ordering, and forms of inclusion and exclusion.

Our teaching is informed by these commitments and by our active research in these areas. LSE Sociology aims to provide a learning environment in which students are encouraged to think critically and independently. Many of the key issues in the discipline worldwide are the subject of contestation, and our teaching

aims to equip students to understand and evaluate these disputes and adopt a position in relation to them. Rigorous, critical, independent thought is the most transferable skill of all, and the overarching objective of what we seek to provide to our students.

LSE has been recognised as a Doctoral Training Centre (DTC). As well as research training in the Department, the Department of Methodology provides a range of specialised courses in quantitative and qualitative research methods and statistics.

The Department is responsible for one of the world's leading specialist periodicals, the *British Journal of Sociology* and also houses the influential interdisciplinary social science journal *Economy and Society*.

The Department supports and promotes academic diversity within the School through these programmes and through its central participation in interdisciplinary research and in particular its close relationship with LSE Cities, the Centre for the Study of Human Rights, the International Inequalities Institute, the Department of Methodology, STICERD (Suntory and Toyota International Centre for Economics and Related Disciplines), the Centre for Analysis of Risk and Regulation, and the Mannheim Centre for the Study of Crime and Criminal Justice.

MPhil/PhD Sociology Visiting Research Students

Application code: L3ZS (MPhil/PhD), L3ES (VRS)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS up to 9 months (renewable)

Entry requirement: Merit in a master's and a high 2:1 degree in sociology or another social science

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See page 36

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Sociology is part of the Social Policy group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38)

Application deadline: 27 April 2016, but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and Research Council Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first round if possible. The funding deadlines for applications (including all ancillary documents) are 11 January and 27 April 2016

bachelor's degree in sociology or another social science from a British university, or its equivalent in another country, in either sociology or another related social science.

Applicants will need to submit a research proposal that sets out the research problem you wish to investigate, explains why it is important, and describes the methods of research you propose to use. This will help us to evaluate your potential to embark on a research degree, and to identify a supervisor with similar interests and the appropriate expertise. We will also need to see two pieces of written work that you feel reflect your academic interests and abilities. You will be initially registered for the MPhil. At the end of your second year (full-time), you will be transferred to PhD registration upon successful completion of our "upgrade" procedure (submission of two complete chapters, examined by viva voce).

In the first year, you may spend much of your time taking a range of methods and specialist courses. These are selected in discussion with your supervisor, dependent on your needs and may include courses from other institutes or departments at LSE. You must attend the first year research class for MPhil students and, unless you have already successfully studied research methods at master's level, you will normally be expected to complete graduate course units in methodology, on the advice of your supervisor.

At the end of your first year, you will produce a 5,000 word research proposal, outlining the aims and methods of your thesis. This has to reach an acceptable standard to enable you to progress to the second year.

Opportunities for research

You should usually have a higher merit in a master's degree, plus high 2:1 in a

After the first year, you will spend more time on independent study under the guidance of your personal supervisor. This will involve the collection, organisation, analysis and writing up of data and ideas. You will have the opportunity to attend a regular general research seminar and/or specialist workshops and seminars related to your interests. You will be expected to make an active contribution to these by presenting papers and joining in the general discussion.

The Department will **only** accept candidates for a Michaelmas term start.

Taught programmes

MSc City Design and Social Science (see page 191)

MSc Culture and Society (see page 192)

MSc Economy, Risk and Society (see page 193)

MSc Human Rights (see page 194)

MSc Inequalities and Social Science (see page 196)

MSc International Migration and Public Policy (see page 197)

MSc Political Sociology (see page 198)

MSc Sociology (see page 199)

MSc Sociology (Contemporary Social Thought) (see page 199)

MSc Sociology (Research) (see page 199)

Sociology is also available as a specialist field in MSc Social Research Methods (see page 162)

MSc City Design and Social Science

lse.ac.uk/grad/cdss

Application code: L4UC

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part time

Intake/applications in 2014: 22/94

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree or equivalent professional qualifications/experience in any relevant field of architecture, urban design, planning, engineering, social science, law and humanities, management, mathematics, statistics or natural science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

This innovative, interdisciplinary programme sets the complex challenges of city design and development in their social, economic, environmental and political contexts. It is unique as a studio-based master's with a strong orientation to practice located within a world-leading social science institution. The programme draws students from different academic

and professional backgrounds, reflecting the range of skills involved in urban policy, design and development today: architecture, engineering, planning and transport studies; economic, social and policy sciences; geography and environmental science; law and humanities; business and management; real estate and finance. Candidates should have a good first degree, or equivalent professional qualifications in a relevant field; professional and voluntary experience will also be taken fully into account. Each year, around 40 per cent of our student intake comes from architecture, urban design, planning or engineering, with around 60 per cent coming from backgrounds in social, economic and management science, law, humanities and the natural sciences.

The MSc City Design and Social Science focuses on the relations between the physical and social organisation of cities and urban environments. We see design as a field of research, knowledge and practice that shapes urban environments, responds to urban problems, and integrates social, spatial and physical approaches to the city. This ground-breaking programme, launched in 1998, aims to support the development of interdisciplinary professionals who can work across professional divides to have a positive impact on cities as both social and built environments. Graduates leave the programme with a well-rounded set of research, analytical and practical skills for the design, development and implementation of urban projects across the public, private and community sectors, and

the ability to work creatively and effectively across disciplinary boundaries.

Programme details

The programme combines intensive design research on practical urban contexts in the core studio workshop, with taught courses on critical urban theories and issues, and options chosen from the suite of urban courses taught across LSE. Students undertake an independent project under faculty supervision. An international field-trip supports and extends the students' intensive teaching programme in London.

Guest practitioners from industry, expert speakers and masterclasses on key urban issues complement the core academic programme, and students are linked into the wealth of urban expertise across LSE.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

City Design Research Studio promotes an understanding of the city as a social and built environment and provides students with an appreciation of the complexities of urban design and development processes through in-depth research and project work on a critical site in London.

Cities by Design* examines the relationship between built form and its social, political and cultural impacts in the changing city.

City-making: the Politics of Urban Form* provides a critical understanding of the political underpinnings of major urban development projects and practices across international city contexts.

Independent Project allows students to work on an extended research or design project in consultation with a faculty supervisor.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates from the programme find international career opportunities across the urban design, planning and development fields in the public, private and community sectors – as designers and planners, project managers and consultants, researchers and entrepreneurs. A vibrant alumni network offers guidance and support for current students and recent graduates.

MSc Culture and Society

lse.ac.uk/grad/cuso

Application code: L3UC

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 19/183

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in a subject appropriate to the programme to be followed (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Culture and Society gives its students the opportunity to develop expertise in the social study of cultural processes. Its ethos emphasises tight integration of leading edge cultural theory, innovative methodologies and attention to the most significant cultural trends and practices, globally and locally.

As a student on MSc Culture and Society you have free range to study and research any social processes that fall within the many broad understandings of “culture”. For example, students may take courses on, or pursue independent research projects towards dissertations in areas such as textual or visual analyses of cultural texts; ethnographies of culture and media industries; studies of urban space, design or city culture; consumption and consumer culture; multi-culturalism and ethnicity; gender and sexuality; class and cultural capital. Moreover, the degree

actively encourages students to think and research globally.

MSc Culture and Society students come from a diversity of backgrounds – anything from economics through anthropology to cultural and media studies and on to arts, design and humanities. The degree core course – Cultural Theory and Cultural Forms – is designed to support all students, from whatever background, in developing a foundation in sociological approaches to cultural research.

Acceptance on this programme will give you the opportunity to:

- Work with research active staff, who are renowned in their fields, across a wide range of cultural research, and located across a range of departments and institutes linked with the programme (including Media and Communications, Geography and Environment, the Cities Programme, Social Psychology, Anthropology, Gender and Information Systems). Core staff on this degree include Professor Mike Savage (class culture and stratification; urban culture; and new methodologies); Dr Fabien Accominotti (economic sociology; sociology of culture; historical sociology; social networks; and the study of status and inequality); and Dr Sam Friedman (social class; social mobility; cultural taste; and comedy and humour).
- Consolidate or extend your skills in cultural analysis through the programme’s two term compulsory course in cultural theory and cultural forms, supplemented by an extensive range of research-led option courses.
- The opportunity to do empirical work in your dissertation into an aspect of cultural practice or cultural theory.
- Apply for a research degree (MPhil/ PhD) following completion of your MSc, building particularly on the work of your dissertation.
- Gain a higher degree in cultural research within a social science framework will provide you with a knowledge of how the “cultural turn” has affected the social sciences, and skills in critical social understanding and techniques of social enquiry, that will enable you to develop insights into contemporary cultural forms and processes that have a solid basis in sociological analysis.

Programme details

Compulsory courses and optional courses involve teaching by LSE staff renowned for their expertise in the field of cultural research. These staff reflect an interdisciplinary range of approaches to the connections between culture, society, economy, and media within a broad social sciences framework.

You take compulsory courses plus methods training. You also write a dissertation of 10,000 words on an aspect of cultural practice or theory. You will be advised on your choice of dissertation topic by your academic adviser, and that topic may be empirical or theoretical in its approach. You will be appointed an individual adviser with a related research interest whom you can meet with regularly during term times.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Cultural Theory and Cultural Forms

provides a foundation in approaches to cultural processes and institutions, attending to analytical frameworks, research strategies and empirical case studies.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates have gone on to a diverse range of destinations including doctoral degrees, cultural policy and management jobs, teaching, creative industries (including advertising and marketing), performance arts and more.

MSc Economy, Risk and Society

lse.ac.uk/grad/ers

Application codes: L3UI

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 24/389

Minimum entry requirement:

2:1 degree; preference will be given to those with a sociology/social science degree (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

The MSc Economy, Risk and Society programme is an advanced sociology degree for social scientists. Studies of risk and economic life are central to the sociological endeavour. They are, furthermore, pivotal in making sociology relevant for the modern world. Understanding the challenges and possibilities confronted by contemporary societies—from technological disasters and natural catastrophes to novel forms of economic organisation and public participation—requires grasping the role and dynamics of economies and regulatory institutions in today's world. The MSc Economy, Risk and Society offers students a flexible yet comprehensive introduction to the sociologies of risk and economic life, thereby providing a strong theoretical and methodological

foundation for engaging in current discussions on the future of our societies.

Students in the programme will develop theoretical skills and practical training in:

- constructing sociologically-informed questions of socio-economic issues
- summarising and explaining the findings of empirical research, including a critical assessment of the methodological frameworks used
- selecting, evaluating and using the appropriate research tools
- discussing topics on risk and economic life with appreciation of theory, evidence and relevance to current debates
- communicating in a variety of appropriate sociological formats

Programme details

The programme assumes students will demonstrate clear familiarity with one of the following social-science disciplines: sociology, anthropology, political science, philosophy, economic history and/or organisation science. This programme is largely based on a practical approach to learning. Teaching in the core course is organised around active modes of learning. This is reflected too in optional courses, where teaching may be based on a combination of lectures, seminars, workshops, group projects, experiments and research-driven discussions. The programme therefore reflects the great diversity of theoretical and empirical approaches within the Department of

Sociology, as well as the established tradition of LSE in contributing to the social sciences.

This programme is unique in its breadth and diversity. It covers the most significant and recent developments in the sociologies of risk and economic life, and enables students to develop critical skills that advance their knowledge of the socio-economic dynamics of contemporary societies. Through the compulsory course, Regulation, Risk and Economic Life, students are introduced to key discussions on the nature of power, knowledge, organisations and markets. They are also exposed to different approaches to the study of economic life, as well as case studies associated to current transformations in the socio-economic system – the rise of new forms of financial activity, new varieties of money, and new spheres of economic activity. The core course is complemented by a variety of optional courses, which allow students to tailor their program to their particular learning objectives. These include further specialisation in the sociology of risk and regulation, economic sociology and the sociology of markets, employment relations, globalisation, and the sociology of science and technology.

Students enrolled in the programme can take a total of three course units through a combination of full and/or half units and must complete an empirical or theoretical dissertation of up to 10,000 words on a subject of interest related to the courses and approved by the Department. Students receive feedback and advice throughout their

degree. Students are advised on their dissertation topic by an academic adviser, in conjunction with the programme conveners. The dissertation gives students the opportunity of thinking sociologically and at length on a sociological problem, issue or debate in risk and economic life.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Regulation, Risk and Economic Life introduces students to sociological perspectives on economic life and risk regulation in advanced industrial societies.

Dissertation

Students will be required to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an excellent foundation for graduates seeking careers in academia, government and the civil service, research-oriented industries, and the non-governmental sector.

MSc Human Rights

lse.ac.uk/grad/huri

Application code: L3U9

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time,
24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 59/273

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in law or any social science subject, or a degree in another discipline with demonstrable special interest in human rights or relevant experience as a practitioner (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £14,208;
overseas £20,736

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

The MSc Human Rights is a unique multidisciplinary programme that provides a concentrated year-long engagement with the foundations of human rights and key human rights issues. It is taught by leading scholars in the field. Human rights are not just an object of study, but also a matter of policy, intervention and practice. The programme links theory and practice

in a multidisciplinary way and aims to equip students with knowledge of the key legal, sociological and philosophical issues relevant to human rights. During the programme, students will engage in an academically rigorous way with some of the most compelling issues in contemporary human rights. The MSc Human Rights is unique in linking legal, philosophical, sociological and political perspectives on human rights through a rigorous and analytical approach.

The degree will provide you with:

- relevant background knowledge in sociology, philosophy and law
- specialised knowledge in human rights thematic topics
- focused engagement with the subject that you choose for your research dissertation
- exposure to key national and international debates about human rights

Preference will be given to applicants with a good first degree in a core social science subject or law. We will consider applicants with a good first degree in any discipline who have (and can demonstrate) a special interest and/or practical experience in human rights.

The programme is run by the Centre for the Study of Human Rights. In addition to teaching and research, the centre runs a very active public events programme which includes public lectures, visiting speaker seminars and conferences involving the leading human rights academics and practitioners in the world.

MSc Human Rights students also benefit from masterclasses and guest practitioner seminars organised throughout the year exclusively for students on the programme. MSc Human Rights students also have the opportunity to engage with visiting scholars and practitioners from the public, private and non-governmental sectors who are based at the centre. Through the Centre for the Study of Human Rights, students will have contact with policy makers and practitioners, especially those from London based human rights organisations. The Centre has an active research programme on which MSc students assist from time to time. Visit lse.ac.uk/humanRights for further information about the Centre for the Study of Human Rights.

Many staff work with activist and advocacy organisations. The degree programme is not, however, strictly vocational, nor does it offer any professional qualifications, whether in law or for the human rights practitioner. We offer you in depth graduate studies that serve as a guide to critical thinking about human rights.

Programme details

The compulsory multidisciplinary human rights core course, “Approaches to Human Rights”, provides students with an overview of the philosophical, sociological and legal approaches to this subject. The course gets students thinking about the foundations, concepts and ideals of human rights, while taking a critical view of them as an academic subject and area of practice. The course serves as an introduction to the core standards and structures of human rights and discusses a range of key issues in the

current, ongoing debates about the role of human rights. While these may change from year to year, thematic issues that the core course covers include: genocide, humanitarian intervention, militarism, war and warfare, religion, culture and human rights and transitional justice. The course provides a strong intellectual underpinning for your multidisciplinary study of human rights, which will be built on in your optional choice of courses and dissertation.

Professor Chetan Bhatt (sociology), Dr Ayça Çubukçu (sociology) and Dr Margot Salomon (international law) are the central course lecturers. LSE staff who are members of the Centre's Advisory Board are also working actively on research and policy projects in human rights and closely related areas and bring a rich array of expertise to the Centre and our students. A selection of topics that staff research are: climate change and human rights, conflict resolution, criminal justice policy, democratisation, development, ethical foreign policy, ethnic nationalism, genocide, globalisation and global government, hate speech and freedom of expression, media and public reactions to atrocities, minority and indigenous rights, policing, refugee and asylum studies, religious rights, terrorism, transitional justice, torture, women's human rights, humanitarian interventions, human rights movements, and world poverty.

In addition to the core course and optional courses, students write a 10,000 word dissertation, assessed as the equivalent of a whole course. You can choose any human rights subject that interests you, and you may take

either an interdisciplinary approach or one that is more sociological, legal or philosophical, using original research or secondary sources. After consultation with your assigned supervisor, your topic is approved at the end of the second term. You will normally get started on the dissertation in the spring, but do most of the work in the summer months before the dissertation is submitted in August 2016. A wide range of human rights topics and approaches is welcome, from the theoretical to the practical. We also encourage students to address key human rights issues through the lens of

a particular case study, social problem or body of law. In recent years, subjects have included: reporting and representing genocide and mass atrocities, objectivity and bystander apathy; changes in American foreign policy in the Middle East after September 11; international financial institutions in sub-Saharan Africa; Japanese social structure and women's human rights; public protest and the freedom of political expression in the UK; the human rights role of the UN Security Council; transitional justice, child soldiers and African conflicts.

Compulsory courses

Approaches to Human Rights examines a range of disciplinary perspectives on the subject of human rights.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options offered by the LSE departments and institutes associated with the Centre for the Study of Human Rights including the Department of Anthropology, Department of

The MSc Human Rights programme demands independent and critical thinking; it challenges the status quo and examines complex and intractable issues with an objective lens. It encourages students to ask better questions and delve deeper. The diversity of students here allows you to learn from your peers as well as the lecturers.

While at LSE, I've taken part in the annual LSE TEDx event as the student speaker which provided a platform to share my ideas and helped me become a better speaker. I also went on a student-led study trip to Geneva, which enabled me to connect my academic learning with the real world of human rights.

Alecia Maragh
Kingston, Jamaica
MSc Human Rights
British Chevening
Scholarship Recipient



International Development, European Institute, Gender Institute, Department of Government, Department of International Relations, Department of Law, Department of Social Policy and Department of Sociology.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The degree will provide a strong foundation for a variety of academic and non-academic careers, including in: law, especially international law and advocacy (albeit usually with other qualifications); foreign policy; working for activist organisations in the humanitarian sector; international and domestic human rights; development; civil liberties; welfare; as well as in specialised agencies concerned with, for example, refugees; women's rights; torture victims; children's rights. During the programme, you will have opportunities to meet alumni of the MSc Human Rights who are working in a range of international, government and non-governmental organisations.

MSc Inequalities and Social Science

lse.ac.uk/grad/iss

Application code: L3UJ

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications: New programme for 2015

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline, with social science background and/or work experience in the social policy field advantageous but not essential (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

As a result of dramatic economic and social changes over recent years, the study of inequality has rapidly developed as one of the most important areas of interdisciplinary social scientific study. This MSc offers a comprehensive and wide-ranging programme which includes expertise from leading academics in the Departments of Sociology, Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Government, Law, Social

Policy, Media and Communications, Gender, and Statistics and will provide students with state-of-the-art teaching in this area. The programme will:

- introduce students to a range of interdisciplinary approaches to the social scientific analysis of inequality
- develop theoretical awareness of different conceptions of the meaning of inequality and its various dimensions
- introduce students to the political economy of inequality and the role of political institutions in combating inequality
- introduce students to different methods for the measurement of inequality, both quantitative and qualitative
- make students familiar with debates on the causes and consequences of increasing global inequality
- allow students to place issues of inequality in a fully international context
- give students the skills and awareness to go onto conducting research in the area of inequalities

Programme details

You take a total of three course units through a combination of full and/or half units, and all students take "Social Scientific Analysis of Inequalities" and at least one methods course. All students who are expecting to study for PhDs will be strongly encouraged to do both of these courses and possibly additional methods courses. You will also complete a dissertation of up to 10,000 words on a subject of interest related to the courses.

You will be advised on the dissertation topic by your academic adviser who will be from one of the departments listed above according to your area of interest. You choose the topic, which can be empirical or theoretical in its approach. Students may opt for an inter-disciplinary inquiry or a dissertation potentially located in any of the disciplines involved in this MSc.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Social Scientific Analysis of Inequalities will consider how the issue of inequality is examined in the disciplines of economics, geography, media and communications, social anthropology, social policy and sociology.

Either Introduction to Quantitative Analysis* covers the foundations of descriptive statistics and statistical estimation and inference or **Qualitative Research Methods*** presents the fundamentals of qualitative research methods and prepares students to design, carry out, report, read and evaluate qualitative research projects.

Dissertation

You will also study one and a half units taken from a number of courses from the contributing departments, all of which have been chosen to showcase the expertise of these departments in the area of inequality. The choice of optional courses includes the following:

Class, Politics and Culture*; **Urban Inequalities***; **Anthropology of Economy (1): Production and**

Exchange*; Anthropology of Economy (2); Development, Transformation and Globalisation*; The Politics of Inequality and Redistribution*; Dilemmas of Equality*; Gender, Globalisation and Development: An Introduction*; Gender and Social Policy: Theory and Practice*; Regional Development and Policy*; The Politics of Housing*; World Poverty and Human Rights*; Employment Law*; Critical Approaches to Media, Communication and Development*; Media Culture and Neoliberalism in the Global South*; Welfare Analysis and Measurement; Multilevel Modelling*; Longitudinal Data Analysis*; Families and Inequalities*

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This is a new programme and we expect students go into a wide variety of fields who are interested in addressing inequalities, including government, NGOs, politics, public administration, the social and health services, advertising, journalism, other areas of the media, law, publishing, industry, personnel and management.

MSc International Migration and Public Policy

lse.ac.uk/grad/impp

Application codes: L2UK

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time; 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 16/67

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or in another field with relevant work experience (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

The International Migration and Public Policy (IMPP) programme is jointly run by academics from the Departments of Government, Sociology and the European Institute. The teaching is interdisciplinary and also involves academic staff from several other LSE departments, including the Department of Geography, the Department of International Relations, the Department of International Development, the Department of Social Policy and the Department of Law. It brings together some of the unique resources of these departments into one interdisciplinary

programme on global migration, international mobility and public policy. The programme also has close ties with the LSE Migration Studies Unit, the focal point for migration research at LSE. Key features of the IMPP degree are:

- a twelve month programme that provides the opportunity to study in an internationally renowned set of departments in the only UK university devoted solely to the social sciences
- a faculty with an established record of excellence in teaching, research and consultancy in the area of international migration and public policy
- an international campus in close proximity to national policy-makers, offices of international organisations and EU institutions

A systematic multidisciplinary approach to central controversies in the comparative analysis of public policy responses to immigration and migrant integration issues across different levels of governance (including a focus on the growing role of the EU in European and international migration management).

Programme details

The MSc offers a unique range of courses that will deepen students' knowledge of migration and mobility issues and help them gain new insight into public policy responses to international migration at the global, regional, national and local level. The programme is divided into three parts: foundation – two half unit courses which provide a thorough grounding in immigration and migrant integration issues;

specialisation – through a wide range of optional migration- and migration-related courses offered across LSE; and research – a 10,000 word research project on an advanced topic. Students will also have the opportunity to attend and participate in the established public lecture and seminar series organised by the LSE Migration Studies Unit.

Students will take courses to the value of three units and a dissertation as shown. Additionally, if their timetable allows, students are recommended to take the non-assessed course Interdisciplinary Research Methods and Design in preparation for their dissertation.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

International Migration and Migrant Integration* examines contemporary sociological perspectives on migrant integration including theories of international migration; labour market incorporation; 'assimilation' and social integration; welfare and social rights; the second generation; educational attainment; and transnationalism.

International Migration and Immigration Management* offers a theoretically informed account of the challenges posed by international migration and resulting policy responses of migration management at the global, regional and bi-lateral level.

Researching Migration: Research Questions and Research Methods (non-assessed) introduces students to a range of possible research strategies and helps them prepare for their dissertation research.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an outstanding preparation for further research work or for a career in international institutions, the public services, NGOs or with one of the growing number of organisations in the private sector that are concerned with immigration issues.

MSc Political Sociology

lse.ac.uk/grad/pols

Application code: L3U4

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 26/115

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline with considered interest in the area covered by the MSc (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

Political sociology is a subject with a long and distinguished history and a thriving contemporary debate. LSE has been home to some of the leading thinkers in the subject, and the MSc will give you the chance to study political sociology at graduate level, with teachers who are both active researchers and renowned in their fields. It will also give you the opportunity to learn and work with students from all over the world, some of whom will bring first-hand experience of politics in their own countries.

The programme is designed to look beneath the day to day controversies of politics in order to explore the underlying forces that either promote or retard political and social change. It will provide you with the analytical tools and the empirical knowledge to understand some of the fundamental forces that have shaped, and are shaping, the world in which we live. The programme combines a strong core curriculum with the flexibility to develop individual interests. It will give you the opportunity to expand your knowledge of politics and society, and to build up special expertise in particular areas.

It will also give you the opportunity to develop your capacity for rigorous oral and written argument. Seminar discussion and essay writing will foster a critical approach

which will encourage you to re-evaluate commonly accepted ideas, to consider alternative explanations for important social and political developments, and to support your own conclusions with carefully deployed evidence.

We will consider applicants who have good first degrees in any relevant discipline, and a considered interest in the area covered by the MSc. We are looking for bright students, with an interest in political sociology, who enjoy engaging in argument and debate.

Programme details

The compulsory course, Politics and Society, explores a series of fundamental questions about the social bases of politics and the relationship between states and societies. It examines the interaction between economic interests, political institutions, and ideological norms. It has a strong empirical and historical component, which provides an opportunity to engage with some of the classic puzzles that have defined the field, to expand your knowledge of a number of countries, and to systematically compare their experiences. The course is organised around a two-hour seminar each week during teaching terms. Special additional seminars cover some key theoretical approaches and methods in the social sciences, and provide a forum for exploring the use of these in your own work.

Students on the programme also choose two further full unit courses (or up to four further half unit courses) from a particularly wide range of options. This choice of options enables you to engage with either

empirical or theoretical topics, or a mixture of both. It also enables you to draw on the expertise of academic staff in different departments throughout LSE.

Finally, all students on the degree write a 10,000 word dissertation. This gives you a chance to develop your thinking in an area that is of particular interest to you, and to produce an extended piece of individual research.

Compulsory courses

Politics and Society explores some of the great debates about the relationship between politics and society.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students go into a wide range of professions including academic research, teaching, politics, diplomacy, government policy-making, public administration, journalism, the media, law, publishing, industry, and management, as well as working for think tanks, activist groups, international bodies, and non-governmental organisations.

MSc Sociology

MSc Sociology (Research)

MSc Sociology (Contemporary Social Thought)

lse.ac.uk/grad/so

Application codes: L3U2, L3UF (Research), L3UH (CST)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 28/185

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The MSc Sociology (Research) is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four-year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding 11 January 2016

Our Sociology master's degrees offer students training in the most significant recent developments in sociology. All three streams enable students to specialise in particular areas, developing

their critical and analytical abilities, their methodological skills and their expertise in substantive sociological topics.

Students develop their own research projects in any aspect of the discipline that interests them, and choose optional courses from a wide selection both within and without the Sociology Department. Each stream emphasises a different aspect of research training, provided through its specification of core courses: MSc Sociology provides a balance of sociological theory, methodology and substantive topics. The Contemporary Social Thought stream is built around a core course in theory and analysis. The MSc Sociology (Research) has a higher weighting of qualitative and quantitative methods training, originally designed as an ESRC approved training course for doctoral studentships.

These programmes offer the following benefits:

- The chance to study sociology at graduate level in the only specialist institution for the social sciences in the UK. The research MSc is part of the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) recognised 1+3 programme in the Department and offer holders can enter the competition for ESRC 1+3 studentships
- The opportunity to study with faculty of established national and international reputations in the Department's areas of research expertise. The core MSc Sociology programme offers a foundation in sociological research methods together with flexibility in option choices. The streams are aimed at students who wish to specialise in key areas: social research methods; contemporary social thought; or economic sociology but they also retain considerable flexibility in the course choices. Option courses reflect the Department's academic strengths,

including: classical and contemporary social theory; political sociology; the sociology of economic life; culture and society; families in contemporary societies, gender and society; cities and urbanism; science and technology studies

- The chance to progress to a research degree (MPhil/PhD) following completion of your MSc. The MSc dissertation will provide you with the chance of exploring the possibility of writing on a particular subject in some depth
- The opportunity to develop critical understandings of the ways in which societies work, techniques of social research and skills in communication through systematic argument

Programme details

You take a total of three course units through a combination of full and/or half



units and you complete a dissertation of up to 10,000 words on a subject of interest related to the courses and approved by the Department.

You will be advised on the dissertation topic by your academic adviser, in conjunction with the tutor of your chosen MSc programme. You choose the topic, which can be empirical or theoretical in its approach. The dissertation gives you the opportunity of thinking sociologically and at length on a sociological problem, issue or debate within sociology itself.

Compulsory courses

MSc Sociology

(* half unit)

Social Research Methods

covers quantitative and qualitative research methods.

Dissertation

Compulsory courses

MSc Sociology (Research)

Social Research Methods

covers quantitative and qualitative research methods.

Introduction to Quantitative

Analysis* covers the foundations of descriptive statistics and statistical estimation and inference.

Applied Regression Analysis*

is concerned with deepening the understanding of the generalised linear model and its application to social science data.

Dissertation

Compulsory courses

MSc Sociology (Contemporary Social Thought)

Contemporary Social Thought

is organised around three key areas: transformations in time and space; new technologies, methods and society; cosmopolitanism and post-cosmopolitanism.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one full course unit (MSc Sociology (Research)) or two course units (MSc Sociology and MSc Sociology (Contemporary Social Thought)).

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students go into a wide variety of professions, such as teaching, research, politics, public administration, the social and health services, advertising, journalism, other areas of the media, law, publishing, industry, accounting, marketing, personnel and management.

STATISTICS

lse.ac.uk/statistics

Number of graduate students (full-time equivalent)

Taught: 57

Research: 19

Number of faculty (full-time equivalent): 21

REF: 84 per cent of the Department's research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent

Location: Columbia House

The Department has an international reputation for the development of statistical methodology which has grown from its long and distinguished history of active contributions to research and teaching in statistics. LSE staff and students, past and present, have made significant contributions to the development of statistics. We continue to offer expert teaching and supervision.

Our core areas of research are social statistics, time series and risk and stochastics in insurance and finance. We enjoy close links with other departments and offer regular seminars and other departmental activities that help to create a vibrant environment for study and research. The Centre for the Analysis of Time Series (CATS) is closely linked to the Department and the Risk and Stochastics Group (RSG) has close links with the Institute of Actuaries and industrial partners.

Graduate study of statistics is often vocational, though no progress can be made without a lively intellectual interest in both the methodological principles of statistical modelling and practical applications. The Department provides a thriving, hardworking, friendly and supportive environment in which these interests can be pursued.

Employment opportunities for our graduates are excellent. Students can expect careers in finance and applied statistics in the private and public sectors, as well as research and teaching in universities and colleges throughout the world. Many graduates are employed by their national governments.

MPhil/PhD Statistics Visiting Research Students

Application code: G4ZS (MPhil/PhD), G4ES (VRS)

Start date: Intake at the start of Michaelmas, Lent or Summer term

Duration: MPhil/PhD 3/4 years (minimum 2), VRS for one term, two terms or up to a maximum of one academic year

Entry requirement: Taught master's with a substantial statistical element, usually with a distinction, or equivalent experience

English requirement: Research (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: See Tuition fees page 36

Financial support: LSE scholarships and studentships (see page 36). LSE is an ESRC Doctoral Training Centre. The MPhil/PhD Statistics is part of the Global Economic Performance, Policy Management Group of accredited programmes for ESRC funding (see page 38). UK/EU students may also be eligible for EPSRC funding

Application deadline: 27 April 2016 but please note that the selection process for LSE PhD and ESRC Studentships will take place in two rounds and students are advised to aim for the first deadline if possible. The funding deadlines are 11 January and 27 April 2016. Selection for funding is based on receipt of an application for a place – including all ancillary documents – by the deadline

Opportunities for research

Prospective research students should already have studied or be close to completing a taught MSc with a large statistics content or have equivalent experience. Our entry requirement is a distinction. You will be registered initially for the MPhil with transfer to PhD dependent on your successful progression in years one and two. Competition for places is fierce and we strongly advise early applications.

If you are accepted to undertake research in the Department you will have two supervisors who will monitor your work closely and provide detailed guidance on your choice of research topic. We expect research students to present their work in seminars and at an annual presentation event. We encourage students to produce research posters for display in the Department and presentation at conferences and workshops. Each year you will have a formal assessment of your progress. You may be advised to take courses from the MSc Statistics and take exams in these at the end of your first year of registration, as well as courses from other appropriate programmes, such as the London Taught Course Centre and the London Graduate School in Mathematical Finance.

The most important resource for statisticians is a computer. In addition to LSE's computing resources, we have networked departmental workstations exclusively for the use of research students. There is an extensive collection of software available; both commercial packages and in-house products.

The LSE Library has a good collection of research monographs and journals and you may access databases of research information. There is a comprehensive assembly of worldwide official statistics. The Department has a dedicated library with statistical journals and books, which is available to research students.

Taught master's programmes

MSc Risk and Stochastics (see page 202)

MSc Statistics (see page 202)

MSc Statistics (Financial Statistics) (see page 203)

Statistics is also available as a specialist field in MSc Social Research Methods (see page 162)

Statistics is important in every industry in modern society; you need statistics to analyse data and ultimately to solve empirical problems. I love using my statistical knowledge to solve real world problems in finance and economics.

Huang Feng
Suzhou, China
PhD Statistics
LSE PhD Scholarship



MSc Risk and Stochastics

lse.ac.uk/grad/rs

Application code: G4U2

Start date: Mandatory pre-sessional course begins late August 2016

Duration: 10 months full-time, 22 months part-time (10 month master's are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 16/208

Minimum entry requirement: First class honours in actuarial science, statistics, mathematical economics or mathematics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU: £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None

This programme provides high-level training in probability theory and statistics for random processes with applications in the areas of insurance and finance and their interface. It includes a comprehensive and unified approach to all quantitative aspects of modern actuarial science. Students receive

rigorous training in mathematics and scientific computation and are introduced to a range of schemes for risk transfer, sufficiently broad to equip them for highly specialised work in insurance, pensions, investment, and banking and for independent research in these areas.

The programme is mathematically advanced and suitable candidates will normally hold a first class honours BSc degree in actuarial science, statistics, mathematical economics or mathematics. This should include training in analysis and linear algebra, with rigorous proofs, and probability theory at the level of our third year undergraduate course Stochastic Processes.

Your application should be submitted as early as possible and must include:

- A personal statement, no longer than 150 words, outlining your reasons for wanting to study Risk and Stochastics
- Course descriptions and reading lists for advanced courses in mathematics and statistics in your degree (either held or pending)

Please note that the Department of Statistics requires references to be submitted with your application form from at least one person who is familiar with your academic achievements. Normally, this will be a tutor from your current or previous academic institution.

Programme details

Each MSc student has an academic adviser who is available for guidance and advice

on academic or personal concerns. The compulsory courses lay the foundations in advanced stochastic models and methods and give a broad introduction to theories of risk exchange in insurance and finance. Students can choose options in statistics, mathematics and finance.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Stochastic Processes* provides a broad introduction to stochastic processes with an emphasis on financial and actuarial applications.

Insurance Mathematics* provides an introduction to life and pensions insurance mathematics based on the theory of stochastic processes, notably counting processes and their associated counting martingales.

Computational Methods in Finance and Insurance* develops computational skills and introduces a range of numerical techniques of importance in actuarial and financial engineering.

Stochastics for Derivatives Modelling* examines valuation and hedging of derivative securities.

Recent Developments in Finance and Insurance* covers recent developments in the theory of stochastic processes and applications in finance and insurance and their interface.

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one and a half units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme offers excellent prospects for employment and further study. Students can gain employment in the finance or insurance industries. They can also go on to do a higher degree. The Department has good relations with the financial services industry, particularly insurance and professional bodies.

MSc Statistics

lse.ac.uk/grad/stat

Application code: G4U5

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 9 months full-time (9 month master's are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, see page 11). 21 months part-time; with Summer Project: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 14/234

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree with substantial amount of statistics and mathematics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). The research track is accredited for ESRC funding as part of a four year award (see page 38)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. For consideration for ESRC funding the deadline is 11 January 2016

Notes: Graduates are awarded Graduate Statistician (GradStat) status by the Royal Statistical Society

This programme provides high-level training in statistics. Students learn to analyse and critically interpret data, build statistical models of real situations, and use statistical software packages.

You should have or expect to gain an upper second class honours degree, or equivalent, which includes a substantial amount of statistics and mathematics. Well qualified applicants who do not meet this requirement will be considered on merit.

Applications need to be submitted as early as possible and must include a personal statement outlining your reasons for wanting to study statistics. This should be no longer than 500 words and you are advised to be concise and clear in your statement.

Please note that the Department of Statistics requires references to be submitted with your application form from at least one person who is familiar with your academic achievements. Normally, this will be a tutor from your previous institution.

Programme details

Each MSc student has an academic adviser who is available for guidance and advice on academic or personal concerns. The compulsory courses consolidate students' understanding of fundamental ideas in probability and statistics and introduce advanced topics. Students also choose from a range of options.

Compulsory courses

Statistical Inference: Principles, Methods and Computation provides comprehensive coverage on some fundamental aspects of probability and statistics methods and principles.

Dissertation (research option only)

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of three (two for research option) units from a range of options.

MSc Statistics (Research)

Students have the option to register for the MSc Statistics (Research) branch of the programme towards the end of the Michaelmas term. This branch is similar to the MSc Statistics nine-month programme but involves a compulsory Dissertation which replaces one unit's worth of optional

courses and makes the research track a 12 month programme.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Students on this programme have excellent career prospects. Former students have taken up positions in consulting firms, banks and in the public sector. Many go on to take higher degrees. Graduates of the MSc are awarded Graduate Statistician (GradStat) status by the Royal Statistical Society.

MSc Statistics (Financial Statistics)

lse.ac.uk/grad/sfs

Application code: G4U6

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 9 months full-time (9 month master's are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna see page 11). 21 months part-time; with Summer Project: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Intake/applications in 2014: 27/408

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree with substantial amount of statistics and mathematics (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £24,936; overseas £25,440

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Notes: Graduates are awarded Graduate Statistician (GradStat) status by the Royal Statistical Society subject to having taken a specific combination of modules

This programme is based in the Department of Statistics. It provides high-level training in statistics with applications in finance and econometrics. Students learn to analyse and critically interpret data, build statistical models of real situations, and use statistical software packages.

You should have or expect to gain an upper second class honours degree, or equivalent, which includes a substantial amount of statistics and mathematics. Well-qualified applicants who do not meet this requirement will be considered on merit.

Applications need to be submitted as early as possible and must include a personal statement outlining your reasons for wanting to study statistics and why you

are particularly interested in its financial applications. This should be no longer than 500 words and you are advised to be concise and clear in your statement.

Please note that the Department of Statistics requires references to be submitted with your application form from at least one person who is familiar with your academic achievements. Normally, this will be a tutor from your previous institution.

Programme details

Each MSc student has an academic adviser who is available for guidance and advice on academic or personal concerns. The compulsory courses consolidate students' understanding of fundamental ideas in probability and statistics and introduce advanced topics. Students can choose options to focus on statistics with applications in social science or in finance and econometrics.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Statistical Inference: Principles, Methods and Computation provides a comprehensive coverage on some fundamental aspects of probability and statistics methods and principles.

Financial Statistics* covers key statistical methods and data analytic techniques most relevant to finance.

Time Series* gives a broad introduction to statistical time series analysis.

Dissertation (research option only).

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units (one for the research option) from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

MSc Statistics (Financial Statistics) (Research)

Students have the option to register for the MSc Statistics (Financial Statistics) (Research) branch of the programme towards the end of the Michaelmas term. This branch is similar to the MSc Statistics (Financial Statistics) nine month programme but involves a compulsory dissertation which replaces one unit's worth of optional courses and makes the research track a 12 month programme.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides excellent opportunities for employment and further study. The programme is also conditionally accredited by the Royal Statistical Society. This means that although an accreditation is given, it will only lead to the award of "Graduate Statistician" when students have taken a specific combination of modules.

URBAN@LSE

lse.ac.uk/urbanAtLSE

As an international centre of excellence in the social sciences, LSE has a long-standing commitment to an innovative understanding of urban society. LSE has a distinctive concentration of urban specialists in a number of disciplinary areas, and is an unrivalled centre for graduate study in the area of city design, urban and regional planning, urbanisation and development, and the economic, social, political and policy aspects of contemporary urban life.

Our aim is to apply social scientific disciplines to better understand cities and the contribution they make to economic, social and cultural life. LSE urban programmes bring together a range of disciplinary expertise to link the urban social sciences with the design and governance of cities, urban infrastructure, environment and development, with a unique concentration of urban specialists in different subject areas – including Economics, Geography and Environment, International Development, Social Policy, and Sociology. Our scope is not only "global cities", but also smaller and medium sized cities; and cities of the global South as well as those of the global North.

Taught programmes

MSc City Design and Social Science (see page 191)

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MSc Regional and Urban Planning Studies (see page 107)

MSc Social Policy and Development (see page 181)

MSc Social Policy (Social Policy and Planning) (see page 183)

MSc Urbanisation and Development (see page 108)

Opportunities for doctoral research

LSE has an exciting interdisciplinary network of urban researchers, and there are opportunities for doctoral research on aspects of cities and urban development across a number of departments. Further details of doctoral studies and programmes in this field can be found on our website.

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DOUBLE AND JOINT MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Affaires Internationales and International Relations or International Political Economy

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddai

Application code: All applications should be made via Sciences Po. Please see www.sciencespo.fr/psia/content/dual-degree-london-school-economics

Start date: August/September 2016 at Sciences-Po, Paris (to be confirmed)

Duration: 23 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in social science, preferably international relations or related (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one at Sciences Po €13,820; Year two at LSE in 2017 £21,576

Financial support: For year two at LSE, Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). For information on financial aid at Sciences Po, please visit formation.sciences-po.fr/en/content/bursaries-and-financial-aid

French and British nationals should be aware of the Entente Cordiale Scholarship. Please see en.entente-cordiale.org for further details

Application deadline: Online only. 19 February 2016 (provisional)

LSE and Sciences Po joined forces in 2002 to sign an agreement establishing a double degree in international affairs. The double degree, which is based on reciprocal recognition of both curriculum and evaluation in the partner university, offers a top level education in international affairs and international relations/international political economy.

The double degree takes place over the course of two full academic years with the first year in Paris and the second in London.

The focus of the double degree is international affairs. It is designed primarily for those who intend to practise negotiation in government, international institutions and business, as well as those with a general interest in international relations and international political economy.

At the end of two years of successful study students will be awarded either a Master in International Security, in International Economic Policy or in International Public Management from Sciences Po and *either* MSc International Relations or MSc International Political Economy from LSE.

Programme details

Languages

English is the only required language (though knowledge of French is useful).

Students who do not have a recognised secondary education or university

degree taught and examined entirely in English must meet LSE's standard English requirement (see entry requirements).

Selection

Applications will be examined by a joint admissions board comprising representatives of both LSE and Sciences Po. Successful applicants will be notified by post and email. Please see the online application for details of how to apply.

Supplementary documents

In addition to the application form, you are required to submit

1. a full and official transcript of marks obtained for each year of third level education including the current year when available*
2. a certified copy of your undergraduate degree (if applicable)*
3. a personal statement, to be submitted in English. In no more than 1,000 words, please describe your background, your career objectives in the field of international affairs and how obtaining the LSE/Sciences Po double degree will help you to achieve those objectives
4. two letters of recommendation. These can either be in French or English. They must be attached to your online application form or placed in an envelope sealed and signed on the back by the referee before being added to the application file
5. a résumé in French or English
6. optional professional reference

Items 3 to 5 can be submitted as scanned attachments to the online application

form. References may be submitted online or by post.

* Documents written in languages other than English or French must be accompanied by a translation into one of the above languages.

Year one: Sciences Po

The first year is spent at Sciences Po. Students join the Paris School of International Affairs and study for either a Master in International Security, in International Economic Policy or in International Public Management.

The double degree has specific requirements during the first year, including a joint seminar attended by all students irrespective of the master's degree they are enrolled in.

Students will need to pass their first year at Sciences Po before being allowed to proceed to LSE.

Year two: LSE

The second year is spent at LSE and runs from mid-September until the end of August of the following year. It comprises three terms and the summer period for completion of the dissertation.

Students will enrol in *either* MSc International Relations or MSc International Political Economy

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Most of our former MSc students go on to work in government, international organisations, financial institutions, journalism and corporations, but some continue on to research degrees and the academic profession.

LSE-Sciences Po Double Master's Degree in European Studies

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddes

Application code: Applications should be made via Sciences Po. Please see <http://master.sciences-po.fr/en/contenu/double-degree-european-studies>

Start date: August/September 2016 at Sciences-Po, Paris (to be confirmed)

Duration: 24 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43). There is also a French language requirement, equivalent to TCF level 500

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one at Sciences Po €13,820. Year two at LSE in 2017 £20,112

Financial support: During the first year, students are able to apply to the

LSE Graduate Support Scheme for year two of the programme. For information on financial aid at Sciences Po, please see formation.sciences-po.fr/en/content/bursaries-and-financial-aid. French and British nationals should be aware of the Entente Cordiale Scholarship. Please see www.britishcouncil.org/france-education-scholarships-entente-cordiale.htm for further details

Application deadline: Online only. 19 February 2016 (to be confirmed)

Sciences Po and LSE have come together to offer high-achieving undergraduate students a joint curriculum: the Double Master's Degree in European Studies.

In this programme, students focus on the history, politics, policies and institutions of the European Union; on the ideas which underpin the European project; and on the political, economic and social challenges facing Europe. Teaching is by renowned EU specialists, many with practical experience of policymaking. Students combine lectures and seminars on specific topics with workshops, simulations, case studies and attendance at public lectures and debates with top decision-makers, experts and opinion formers from across Europe.

Bilingual (French and English), and spanning a wide range of disciplines, this very select programme is based on mutual recognition of the curricula and assessments of the partner university.

The LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in European Studies lasts two academic years:

the first year is spent at Sciences Po, in the Master Affaires Européennes; the second year takes place within the European Institute at LSE studying either MSc European Studies: Ideas, Ideologies and Identities, MSc Political Economy of Europe or MSc EU Politics

Courses are multidisciplinary and students choose options from international relations, history, economics, law, philosophy and political science, all with a strongly European focus.

Programme details

Language

Applicants must demonstrate competence in both English and French.

Students whose native language is not English must meet LSE's Standard English requirement (see page 43) or have a recognised university degree taught and examined entirely in English.

Applicants whose native language is not French must prove language ability by means of one of the following:

- the French Baccalauréat
- a Francophone secondary school diploma (Etudes Collégiales Canadiennes, Certificat d'Humanités Belge, etc)
- a recognised university degree with at least two years of study at a Francophone University
- the Test de Connaissance du Français (TCF) 500 or DALF C1. Please see www.sciencespo.fr/admissions for more information

Students whose native language is neither English nor French must provide proof of ability in both languages as above.

Selection

Applications are administered by a joint admissions board of representatives consisting of both LSE and Sciences Po. Only successful applicants will be notified by post. Students can track the status of their application online.

Supplementary documents

In addition to the application form, you are required to submit:

1. a full and official transcript of marks obtained for each year of university level education including the current year when available
2. a certified copy of your undergraduate degree (if applicable). Documents written in languages other than English or French must be accompanied by a certified translation into one of the above languages
3. a personal statement to be submitted in both English and French. In no more than 1,000 words, please describe your background, your career objectives as these relate to Europe/the EU, and how obtaining the LSE/Sciences Po Double Degree will help you to achieve those objectives
4. two letters of academic recommendation. These can either be in French or in English. They must be submitted online or placed in an envelope sealed and signed on the back by the referee before being added to the application file.

5. a résumé in both English and French
6. optional: you may also submit letters of professional recommendation

Items 1 to 3 can be submitted as scanned attachments to the online application form. References may be submitted online or by post.

Year one: Sciences Po

At Sciences Po, the academic year runs from early September to the end of May. It is divided into two semesters, each of which is 12 weeks long. Students join the Master Affaires Européennes, on their own track.

- Maquette Pédagogique – Semestre 1
- Maquette Pédagogique – Semestre 2

Year two: LSE

The second year runs from October until September of the following year. It comprises three terms and the summer period for the completion of the 10,000 word dissertation.

Students will enrol in either **MSc European Studies: Ideas, Ideologies and Identities** or **MSc Political Economy of Europe** or **MSc EU Politics**. They will have to make their choice while studying at Sciences Po. Students can expect an average of 180 hours of teaching during the year at LSE.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Graduates of the programme pursue successful careers in politics, journalism, diplomacy, business, academia, consultancy, the EU institutions, national administrations and in the international institutions.

MSc Double Degree in Global Media and Communications with Annenberg School, USC or Fudan University

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddgmc

Application code: P4U4 (LSE and USC), P4UB (LSE and Fudan)

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months full-time at LSE, followed by second year at University of Southern California or Fudan University, Shanghai

Intake/applications in 2014: 64/299

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science, or degree in another field with professional experience in media and communications (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see English requirements page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Not required but will be considered if submitted

Fee level: £19,344 for Year One at LSE only

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36). Some specific financial support will be available to exceptional students on this programme

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions. Early application is recommended, however the number of places on this programme is limited and admissions will close when the programme is full

This unique two-year programme enables students to study for one year at LSE in London, the UK's media capital, and one year at either the School of Journalism, the Annenberg School for Communication, University of Southern California (USC) – a top US communication school with close links to the Los Angeles media industry, or at Fudan University – a top journalism faculty with close links to Shanghai's media industry, to gain expertise in Chinese media.

The programme aims to provide:

- critical exploration of mediation in the global context, examining processes of globalisation in relation to organisation, production, consumption and representation in media and communications
- the opportunity to study a range of courses, flexibly tailoring the programme to develop specialist interests, culminating in an independent research project on a topic in global media and communications
- preparation for high-level employment in media and communications related professions anywhere in the world

- the opportunity for internships in Los Angeles or Shanghai

We attract students from a diverse range of backgrounds, often including professional experience working in media and communications related fields. Indeed, the opportunity for cross-cultural meetings and exchange of ideas among the student body is a valuable feature of studying at LSE.

You should have at least an upper second class honours degree or its equivalent, preferably in a social science subject. We particularly welcome applications from those with professional experience in the media and communication fields and, in this case, we would accept a degree in other subjects.

The Department of Media and Communications requires applicants in receipt of a conditional offer to meet those conditions before registration and before the start of the Michaelmas term.

If English is not your first language or if the language of instruction for your first degree is not English, we ask you to provide evidence of your command of English as part of the admissions process. In addition, we strongly recommend that you consider additional language instruction before you register in order to be confident that you can participate fully in your programme. Experience has shown that students who are fully proficient in English are best placed to make the most of all that LSE has to offer, both academically and socially. The LSE Language Centre offers courses in English for Academic Purposes (EAP) to support you before the start of the programme, as well as during your studies.

Programme details

Year one at LSE consists of four units (up to seven courses), including compulsory and optional courses and the dissertation. Teaching typically involves a combination of lectures and seminars. The Methods of Research course is taught as a series of lectures and practical classes. You will be assessed by written examinations, research assignments, essays related to courses and the dissertation, which must be submitted in mid-August.

The double degree programme runs for two years. Formal teaching at LSE is usually completed by the end of the Lent term. At LSE, coursework is usually submitted in January and May, examinations for year one courses are generally held in May and June. The remaining months of year two are set aside for students to complete the dissertation before relocating to USC or Fudan in August. Students graduate from USC in May of year two and from Fudan University in June of year two.

Further information:

The University of Southern California
www.usc.edu

The Annenberg School
<http://annenberg.usc.edu>

Fudan University
www.xwxy.fudan.edu.cn/fudan_lse/main.html

Please note that at LSE we do not provide a practical training in journalism, production, campaigning or media management.

Year one: LSE

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Theories and Concepts in Media and Communications I (Key concepts and interdisciplinary approaches)* addresses key theoretical and conceptual issues in the study of media and communications.

Media and Globalisation* explores and demonstrate the role of the media and communications in the processes of globalisation.

Methods of Research in Media and Communications (including Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis)* provides a general training in research methods and techniques.

Either **Representation in the Age of Globalisation*** focuses on the way media representations are implicated in the exercise of power through the construction of meaning, *or* **Global Media Industries*** presents a critical view of key aspects of theory, research and practice of media industries in the global context, *or* **Identity, Transnationalism and the Media*** examines the relation between identity and the media in the context of diaspora and transnationalism.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission

of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Mandarin Language classes

All students in Year one of MSc in Global Media and Communications (LSE and Fudan) will also attend 40 hours of Mandarin language classes at the appropriate level in the LSE Language Centre or the LSE Confucius Institute for Business. Mandarin language assessment does not form part of the MSc assessment, but attendance, for which there is no additional fee to the student, is required for all students on this programme except those already completely fluent in Mandarin.

Year two: Annenberg, USC

Compulsory course

Global Communication Research Practicum (4 units)

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of 20 units from a range of options.

Please note that if you are applying for the LSE-USC dual degree, you should submit both the LSE online application and the USC Graduate Admission application. Before starting your USC Graduate Admission application, please review the graduate application guidelines on the USC Annenberg School website and the USC guidance on the Dual Degree programme.

Year two: Fudan

Students will be expected to choose a range of core and optional courses in Chinese language, culture and media.

For more details of second year in Fudan, please visit: www.xwxy.fudan.edu.cn/dm

Fudan University Students – Students already enrolled in a master's programme at Fudan University are eligible to apply through the normal application process, but it is advisable that they consult with Fudan University in advance of submitting an application.

Applicants from China – Students who are citizens of the People's Republic of China (PRC), including students who are already studying at an overseas university (ie, outside of China), are required by Chinese law to complete the National Postgraduate Entrance Examination and meet all the requirements for PRC students for entry into a master's degree programme at Fudan.

Important: Please consult with Fudan University of School of Journalism before submitting an application. Contact:

Mr Wang Kun,
Programme Coordinator, LSE-Fudan
Double-Degree
Fudan University – School of Journalism
Tel: 00-86-21-55664686
Email: jakewang2011@gmail.com

Graduate destinations

On graduating, our students enter a variety of global careers including broadcasting, journalism, advertising, new media industries, political marketing, market research, regulation and policy, media management and research in both public and private sectors.

MA Global Studies: A European Perspective

gesi.sozphil.uni-leipzig.de/joint-projects/emgs

Application code: Students apply through the University of Leipzig

Start date: 22 September 2016 if you choose to study your first year at LSE

Duration: 24 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in social science or humanities (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard, plus a basic knowledge of German (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: UK/EU £12,504; overseas £19,344

Financial support: Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36).

Application deadline: Early 2016 for Erasmus Mundus Scholarship applicants, 31 May 2016 for all others

This programme is based in the Department of Economic History and is an interdisciplinary, research-based master's programme offered by a consortium of five European universities: University of Leipzig, LSE, University of Vienna, University of Roskilde and University of Wrocław. Combining approaches from global history and international studies, it also encompasses area studies, social sciences and other disciplines which

contribute to a wide-ranging academic programme allowing different approaches to the study of globalisation processes.

The programme is aimed at students with a first degree in social sciences and humanities with an interest in issues of globalisation. Minimum entry requirements are a BA degree (or recognised equivalent from an accredited institution), sufficient undergraduate training to do graduate work in the chosen field, excellent written and oral command of English and at least basic German knowledge.

Programme details

Students study for two years, one year each at two of the partner institutes, and applicants wishing to study at LSE for either their first or second year will be required to take the MSc Global History, based in the Department of Economic History.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Global Studies provides essential training for those who wish to develop professional research expertise in global history. Graduates of the programme have gone on to study for a PhD, into jobs in international economic agencies and development, as well as journalism, economic consultancy and management and administration in the public and private sectors.

LSE – PKU Double MSc Degree in International Affairs

lse.ac.uk/ddia

Application code: V2IA

Start date: Early September 2016 at PKU, Beijing

Duration: 24 months full-time only. The first 12 months are spent in Beijing, the second at LSE

Intake/applications in 2014: 22/109

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one at PKU CN 95,000. Year two at LSE £20,112

Financial support: For year two at LSE, Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

How to apply: All applicants apply via LSE. This includes applicants from the People's Republic of China, and areas of Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau and PKU students

All applicants from the mainland of People's Republic of China who do not have dual citizenship (ie do not hold a second passport) must complete the National Entrance Examination for Postgraduate students in China. Applicants holding identity cards

from Macau, Hong Kong, or Taiwan do not need to take the National Entrance Examination but must register with PKU Graduate School. Please register online at <http://grs.pku.edu.cn/en/>. It is necessary for these students to contact the School of International Studies at Peking University before submitting an application to assess their eligibility for PKU, by mid December

All non-PRC students, upon accepting the offer, must: go to the PKU online application (pre-registration) system www.studyatpku.com; fill in the PKU form; pay the pre-registration fee CNY 400 online by **24 April 2016**; print out and sign the form; and, together with TWO passport size photos and a copy of the passport page with name, post it to Ms. LIU Qian, Program Officer, B101, School of International Studies, Peking University, No.5 Yiheyuan Road, 100871, Beijing China. Tel:86-10-62759199, Fax:86-10-62758954, Email: liuqian2013@pku.edu.cn. Unless otherwise required, PKU needs to receive this package by **5 May 2016**. If you do not complete the above mentioned registration with PKU and mail the required documents before the deadline, you will not be able to be enrolled by PKU for the year of 2016

For further information about the National Entrance Examination for Postgraduate students in China and about the application process please contact Mr Zhang Chungping, Director of International Programs Office, on

Isepku@126.com or edulis@126.com or call +86 10 6276 5111 or fax +86 10 6275 8954

IMPORTANT – For this programme dual citizenship means you have a full passport of another country, aside from the passport, residence permit or identity card for the People's Republic of China, including Hong Kong, Macau, or Taiwan

Application deadline: Applications must be completed (all supporting documents received) by 28 February 2016

Organised jointly by LSE and Peking University, this double MSc degree offers an outstanding opportunity for graduate students and young professionals. The first year is spent at the School of International Studies at Peking University, studying the international relations of China and the Asia Pacific region. The second year is spent at LSE, studying the theory and history of global international relations. It offers the following benefits:

- gaining an insight into international affairs through studying at the best universities in the social sciences in China and in Europe
- while at LSE, courses in the Departments of International History and International Relations
- combining an empirical and a theoretical approach to contemporary international affairs
- engaging at an advanced level with the latest academic research and undertaking your own research-based term work and dissertation

Programme details

At Peking University, students take a core course on Chinese Politics and Diplomacy and can select other courses among the wide variety on offer in the School of International Studies. Students can choose among courses taught in English and in Chinese. They complete the first year programme by writing and defending a dissertation on a topic relevant to their studies. The dissertation can be written in English or in Chinese.

At LSE, students take core courses in both the Departments of International History and International Relations, take a third course from the wide range of options offered by the two Departments, and complete the programme with a dissertation on a relevant topic in international history.

Course assessment is by assessed coursework (in some courses) and by a final exam.

Year one: PKU

Students are required to achieve 22 credits plus finish and defend a dissertation while studying at Peking University in the first year. Please note: The PKU dissertation does not count towards any credits at PKU but it is compulsory. Students cannot progress to year two at LSE without successfully completing year one at PKU.

Compulsory courses

Chinese Politics and Diplomacy

Dissertation and Oral Defence (the dissertation can be written either in Chinese or English).

Chinese language (for international students).

Applied English for Chinese students

Students will be expected to choose five courses from a range of options.

Year two: LSE

Course choice and acceptance into specific courses depends on the availability of courses in a given year, staffing resources, the number of seminars offered for a particular course and student demand.

Compulsory courses

Crisis Decision-Making in War and Peace 1914-2003 examines the history of international relations from the First World War to the Iraq War.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an excellent preparation for careers in academia, business or consulting, government or international agencies, the media, politics and law.

LSE – Columbia University Double Degree in International and World History

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddiwh

Application code: Applications should be made to Columbia via worldhistory.columbia.edu/content/admissions/apply

Start date: September 2016 at Columbia, New York (with Orientation events last week of August)

Duration: 22 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one (Columbia) \$51,765 (estimated); year two (at LSE) £20,112

Financial support: The Programme offers a limited number of Tuition Reductions Scholarships (awarded by both institutions, selected by Columbia, see Fellowships and financial aid worldhistory.columbia.edu/admissions/financial_aid on the programme website). Additional support for year two at LSE, Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)



Application deadline: 15 January and 15 March 2016

Note: All CU-LSE dual degree students must complete their first year of study at Columbia and second year at LSE. Students cannot receive a master's degree from Columbia without completing the requirements for the second year. The CU-LSE programme exclusively awards dual degrees

Our world is more interconnected than ever. We call it globalisation, but without good histories to explain how we got here, we cannot begin to know where we are heading.

This master's programme at Columbia and LSE will ask students to explore our world by studying the forces that have been remaking it: migration, trade, technological revolutions, epidemic disease, environmental change, wars and diplomacy.

Working with preeminent historians in the field, students will analyse large-scale historical processes, pursue empirical research, and produce their own comparative and cross-cultural histories.

The study of international and world history – as opposed to the study of the exclusive histories and historiographies of individual countries – is an emerging field of research that is slowly changing our perspectives on the development of politics and societies. These developments are seen as inseparably linked to the movement of people and ideas back and forth across oceans and territories.



The internationalisation of the study of history has also led to a renewed interest in what larger regions of the world have in common – and in what separates them from each other – in terms of political concepts and cultural values. As a result, the study of encounters between states or societies has gone through several new phases, which together have revolutionised our understanding of cultural and economic dissemination as well as of war, diplomacy, empires and transnational institutions. Finally, efforts are being made to integrate the histories of ethnicity and gender into this internationalising framework and to study the influence of these aspects of human history upon both peaceful cooperation and exchange and upon forms of violent conflict.

The further development of the study of international history in this broad sense depends on the internationalisation of the training and skills of the next generation of experts. The LSE – Columbia University Double Degree in International and World History draws on the faculties of two of the world's leading centres of international affairs, which have the expertise and commitment to provide the training and skills needed. It offers close contact in seminars and colloquia with mentors in different intellectual and cultural settings in two global cities.

Compulsory language requirement

The ability to comprehend multiple languages is important to the study of international and world history. There is

no language requirement for entry into the programme. However, in order to graduate from the programme, students must fulfil a language requirement in one of four different ways:

- by taking two years of language training while at Columbia and LSE
- by taking and passing two translation exams. (Both translation exams must be taken at Columbia)
- by taking and passing one translation exam and studying a language for one year, either at Columbia or at LSE
- by taking and passing an intensive summer language course (that equals the same number of credits as a year-long language course) combined with either a passed language exam or an additional year of language classes

Students have the choice between focusing on a single language or splitting the requirement between two different languages. It is possible to continue further study of a language after a student has passed the translation exam in that language.

Programme details

In London, the LSE – Columbia Double Degree in International and World History is run by LSE's Department of International History; and in New York the degree is run by Columbia's History Department. It provides the chance to study international and world history from the early modern era up to today in an environment that emphasises broad study, global perspectives, and intellectual debate.

At the heart of the MA programme is a two-year dissertation, a piece of original scholarly work based on detailed empirical research and analysis. The dissertation is supported by a sequence of three core courses taken at Columbia and LSE, as well as a large range of courses that allow for specialisation and language study.

The programme offers numerous benefits:

- two master's degrees – an MA from Columbia University and an MSc from LSE – from two of the top universities for history and the social sciences. At Columbia and LSE, students will have the opportunity to take courses in several subject areas as well as in other world-class departments, while at the same time engaging in rigorous language training
- a research oriented programme which goes far beyond classroom study. Students will design original projects while working closely with staff who offer expertise in an immense variety of geographical regions and research methodologies
- engagement with vibrant intellectual communities, including the opportunity to participate in seminars, debates, and public lectures offered by LSE IDEAS, the LSE's Centre for Diplomacy and Strategy, and the Centre for International History at Columbia, among others
- flexibility to tailor programmes to diverse interests and divergent career paths. Those with a history background can focus on cutting-edge fields of research and prepare themselves for PhD study. Others can develop historical expertise, writing skills, and

language training as part of a career in international affairs. The programme is designed to attract a diverse student body with complementary interests, including teaching, journalism and public or private administration

- the opportunity to develop life-long contacts on both sides of the Atlantic, using LSE and Columbia as launching pads for careers combining intellectual and professional development

Year one: Columbia

In the first year of the programme students are required to complete 30 credits, including the core components of the programme: Approaches to International and Global History and MA/ MSc Research Skills and Methods. At least 22 of these credits must be courses in the History Department. Most students must also take a course (or courses) to meet their language requirement (see page 43). Students can also take courses outside of the History Department, provided that both the MA director (Dr Line Lillevik) and the course instructor approve.

In late December/early January of their first year, students identify a topic for their dissertation. When the students have finalised their thesis topics in MA/ MSc Research Skills and Methods, one Columbia adviser and one LSE adviser are designated to advise and guide them through completion of the dissertation in year two at LSE.

Compulsory courses

Approaches to International and Global History introduces students to the conceptual possibilities and problems of international and world history.

MA/MSc Research Skills and Methods Workshop is a series of practical workshops including training in the use of archives and other primary sources, the organisation and documentation of research, and presentation and publication of findings.

Options

History Department options at Columbia vary significantly from semester to semester. Up-to-date course offerings can be found on Columbia University's Directory of Classes (www.columbia.edu/cu/bulletin/uwb).

Please note that the course offerings for the Fall semester will be available in mid-March. Each course runs for a semester only, and some require permission of the instructor.

Year two: LSE

At LSE, students are required to complete three full units in addition to the final core component of the programme: the LSE-CU Dissertation. At least two of these three units must be chosen from the wide range of international history and economic history course offerings. Students may complete their third unit in another department at LSE, provided that both the double degree's academic director and the teacher responsible for the course approve.

Compulsory course

All students are required to take the year-long **Dissertation Workshop**, which is designed to help students write their dissertations and think about where they would like to take their careers. It provides a specialised forum for discussion and debate on what it means to write history and be an historian.

The dissertation itself – a master's thesis in the American system – must be no more than 15,000 words in length and is due in the first week of the Summer term. It is supervised and assessed at LSE in accordance with its MSc regulations.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

While many dual degree students go on to undertake PhDs, some choose to apply the insights gained to a career outside of academia, including journalism, public policy, non-profit, or the private sector.

LSE – PKU Double Degree in Public Administration and Government

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddpag

Application code: L2UI

Start date: Early September 2016 at PKU Beijing

Duration: 24 months full-time only. The first 12 months are spent in Beijing, the second at LSE

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Fees for 2016-17 at PKU have not yet been set. The 2015-16 tuition fee was CNY 80,000. Year two at LSE: £20,112

Financial support: For year 2 at LSE, Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

How to apply: All applicants apply via LSE using the online application form: lse.ac.uk/graduatehowToApply. This includes applicants from the People's Republic of China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau and PKU students

All applicants from People's Republic of China who do not have dual citizenship (ie do NOT hold a passport from another third country) must complete the National Entrance Examination for Postgraduate Students in China. It is necessary for these students to

contact the School of Government at Peking University before submitting an application to assess their eligibility for PKU. For further information about the National Entrance Examination for Postgraduate students in China and about the application process please contact Ms. Li Bo, Director for External Affairs, School of Government on libo_polly@pku.edu.cn or call +86-10-62755478 or fax +86-10-62755478

IMPORTANT – For this programme dual citizenship means you have a full passport of another country, aside from the passport, residence permit or identity card for the Peoples Republic of China, Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwan

Application deadline: Applications must be complete (all supporting documents received) by 23 March 2016 (provisional)

Organised jointly by LSE and Peking University, this innovative double MSc degree offers an outstanding opportunity for graduate students and young professionals. The first year is spent at the School of Government at Peking University, with a focus on public policy and administration in China and the Asia Pacific region. The second year is spent at LSE, studying public policy and administration. It offers the following benefits:

- obtaining two MSc degrees through studying at two of the best universities in the social sciences in China and in Europe

- gaining insights into public policy and administration in two very different countries
- combining an empirical and a theoretical approach to public policy and administration
- studying in small seminar groups with limited numbers of students
- engaging at an advanced level with the latest academic research and undertaking your own research-based term work and dissertation
- a good preparation for further research work or for a career in education, public administration or the private sector

Programme details

At Peking University, the students take compulsory courses including Chinese Politics and Public Policy, Chinese Economic Development and Reform, Chinese Language Course (Mandarin) and Quantitative Methods for Public Policy and can select other courses from a list of optional courses. They complete the first year programme by writing a dissertation on a topic relevant to their studies.

At LSE, students follow the programme of the MSc Public Policy and Administration including a range of compulsory and optional courses, as well as completing a research-based dissertation.

Course assessment is by assessed coursework (in some courses) and by a final exam.

Year one: Peking

All courses are one semester long. Course outlines are for indicative purposes only,

and final names and contents may vary. Not all courses may run in every year.

Compulsory courses

Chinese Politics and Public Policy

Chinese Economic Development and Reform

Quantitative Methods for Public Policy

Chinese Language

Students will be expected to choose two courses from a range of options.

Dissertation.

Students are required to submit a dissertation at PKU and to defend it.

Year two: LSE

At LSE students are part of the MSc Public Policy and Administration programme. By taking appropriate combinations of courses students can obtain the MSc with a specialised stream in Comparative Public Policy or Public Management. Students can choose one specialisation to be noted on their degree certificates.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Approaches and Issues in Public Policy and Administration examines major issues in understanding public administration and policy.

Either Public Management Theory and Doctrine* looks at the key areas of public management with reference to both developed and lesser developed

world contexts or **Comparative Public Policy Change*** examines explanations of policy change using cross-national comparison or **The Politics of Policy Advice*** looks at how policy advice is commissioned, produced, managed and used.

Either Introduction to Quantitative Analysis* covers the foundations of descriptive statistics and statistical examination and inference or **Applied Regression Analysis*** is concerned with deepening students' understanding of the generalised linear model and its application to social science data.

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of one unit from a range of options in public management and comparative public policy and administration.

Course choice and acceptance into specific courses depends on the availability of courses in a given year, staffing resources, the number of seminars offered for a particular course and student demand. The courses above represent the current structure of the MSc Public Policy and Administration but this may be subject to alteration.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme provides an excellent preparation for careers in academia, business or consulting, government or international agencies, the media, politics and law.

LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Urban Policy

lse.ac.uk/grad/ddup

Application code: Applications are made via Sciences Po. Please see www.sciencespo.fr/psia/content/dual-degree-london-school-economics

Start date: August/September 2016 at Sciences Po, Paris (to be confirmed)

Duration: 23 months full-time only

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43). There is also a French Language requirement, equivalent to TCF level 500 or DALF C1

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one at Sciences Po €13,820; year two at LSE UK/EU £13,008; overseas £20,112

Financial support: For year two at LSE Graduate Support Scheme (see page 36)

For information on financial aid at Sciences Po, please see [formation.sciencespo.fr/en/content/bursaries-and-financial-aid](http://www.sciencespo.fr/en/content/bursaries-and-financial-aid)

French and British Nationals should be aware of the Entente Cordiale Scholarships, please see en.entente-cordiale.org for further details

Application deadline: Online only.
19 February 2016 (provisional)

Sciences Po and LSE have come together to offer outstanding undergraduate students a distinctive dual degree devoted to urban management and policy, the Double Degree in Urban Policy, combining the strengths of two leading international centres of research in city development and urban governance.

This programme is based on the mutual recognition of curricula and evaluation in the partner university; it offers a top-level education in the area of urban studies to participating students, giving them the opportunity to develop a career focused on local and urban policy, in the private, public or international sectors at the highest level.

The double degree lasts two academic years: the first year is spent at Sciences Po, in the Master Strategies Territoriales et Urbaines; the second year is spent within the Department of Geography and Environment at LSE, following one of three MSc programmes, in either Local Economic Development, Regional and Urban Planning Studies, or Urbanisation and Development.

Spanning a wide range of disciplines, including public management, economic development, urbanisation, project management, urban social analysis, and

planning, this selective bilingual (French and English) programme will enable participating students to develop an understanding of the political, economic and social issues raised by contemporary urbanisation, at local and international level, with a curriculum focused on the analytic tools used in the field of urban policy.

At the end of two years of successful study, students will be awarded both a master's from Sciences Po in Stratégies Territoriales et Urbaines, and an MSc from LSE in Urban Policy.

Language

Applicants must demonstrate competence in both English and French.

Students whose native language is not English must meet LSE's Standard English requirement (see page 43) or have a recognised university degree taught and examined in English.

Applicants must demonstrate their competence in French, by passing either one of:

- the Test de Connaissance du Français (TCF) 500
- the Diplôme d'études en langue française (DALF) level C1

(No other tests will be accepted).

Or by

- holding the International Baccalaureate (IB) with French as the language of education (levels A1/A2 only).

- having gained a high school diploma from school education in French (for example in French Lycées outside of France).
- having completed an exchange programme with Sciences Po with enrolment in French language classes at least at levels 4 or 5.
- having gained a recognised university degree with at least two years of study at a Francophone University. You will need to provide the diploma which proves that your language of instruction was French. Please note, this does not apply to students who have obtained a diploma in French language or French studies at universities in non French speaking countries.

Students whose native language is neither English nor French must provide proof of ability in both languages as above.

Supplementary documents

In addition to the application form, you are required to submit:

1. a full and official transcript of marks obtained for each year of third level education including the current year when available.
2. a certified copy of your undergraduate degree (if applicable).

Documents written in languages other than English or French must be accompanied by a certified translation into one of the above languages.

1. a personal statement to be submitted in either English or French. In no more than 1,000 words, please describe your background, your career objectives in the field of urban policy and how obtaining the LSE/Sciences Po double degree will help you to achieve those objectives.

2. two letters of academic recommendation. These can be in either French or English. They must be submitted online or placed in an envelope sealed and signed on the back by the referee before being added to the application file.

3. a résumé in both English and French.

4. optional: you may also submit letters of professional recommendation.

Items 1 to 3 can be submitted as scanned attachments to the online application form. References may be submitted online or by post.

Programme details

Year one: Sciences Po

At Sciences Po, the academic year runs from early October to the end of June. Students will follow a course of study that covers topics of urban sociology, economics and politics along with elective courses. Full details of year one can be accessed at <http://master.sciences-po.fr/fr/contenu/double-diplome-en-politiques-urbaines>.

Year two: LSE

The second year runs from October until September of the following year. It comprises three terms plus a summer period for completion of a dissertation. Students

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will follow one of three alternative lines of specialisation, following the teaching programmes (and course options) of *either* the MSc in Regional and Urban Planning Studies or the MSc Local Economic Development or the MSc Urbanisation and Development. These are each interdisciplinary courses with international orientations, and taken by students from a wide range of countries. Formal contact hours vary but average 50 for each of the three taught course units which account for 75 per cent of credits for this year. The remainder comes from an independent research dissertation, developed with a supervisor, and completed in July/August, after the formal exams for taught courses.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This programme gives students the opportunity to develop a career focused on local and urban policy in the private, public or international sectors at the highest level. Graduates could be expected to go into positions in local/regional government; urban development, property and planning consultancies; community organisations; investment banks; regeneration agencies; central government urban affairs departments and property development.

Executive MSc Behavioural Science

lse.ac.uk/exec/besc

Application code: C8U9

Start date: September 2016

Duration: Taught over 16 months in modular blocks

Intake/applications in 2014: 33/52

Minimum entry requirement: Bachelor's degree (UK 2:1 or international equivalent) and three years' relevant work experience

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £24,336

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: The programme fee does not include accommodation costs, travel expenses or any additional expenses incurred while studying at LSE. The LSE Accommodation Office can offer advice for students looking for accommodation. Students will have full access to the Library and electronic resources available to all LSE students including an email address

This dynamic programme combines the resources and expertise of the Department of Social Policy and Department of Management to present an integrated suite of courses that will advance your career objectives in all areas of behavioural science and allow you to pursue new and expanded opportunities within this emerging and exciting field.

About the MSc programme

This programme offered jointly from the LSE Department of Social Policy and Department of Management aims to provide a suite of high quality, integrated courses to benefit students in all aspects of leading practices in behavioural science.

Specifically, the MSc in Behavioural Science provides:

- the opportunity for full-time professionals working in any sector to obtain a graduate qualification in behavioural science through attendance at three two-week intensive LSE-based teaching sessions
- teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of research in behavioural science
- a multidisciplinary environment with links to specialist research groups based in departments across the LSE and the Behavioural Research Lab
- study in one of the most reputable universities worldwide, both for its research and its networks right in the middle of London's vibrant scene

Participants will have a good first degree from within any subject background, relevant work experience and a passion for behavioural science.

When applying you will be required to submit one academic and one professional reference. If you graduated from your most recent academic study before January 2011 and no academic references are available, you may supply two professional references.

Programme details

The Executive MSc is a 16 month programme from September of every year and comprised of six half unit taught courses (eight months) and a full unit dissertation (eight months).

You come to London and attend LSE for the six taught courses during three two-week sessions taking place in September, January, and April. Each course consists of a minimum of twenty-two hours of interactive lectures and seminars at LSE. In between teaching sessions you complete various assessments, such as essays and take-home exams. You will have access to online support from faculty during these periods.

The dissertation is an original piece of research that develops ideas and tools learned in the courses. It is on a topic you select, and falls in your professional or personal research interest. You will have clear guidelines shared with other students, and are supervised by a faculty member. If you wish to pursue a PhD the dissertation may form the basis for your eventual doctoral thesis.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Behavioural Science and Policy*

examines the main concepts and tools of the growing fields of behavioural science.

Behavioural Decision Science*

examines the field of behavioural “decision” science and explores a selection of current research topics relevant to personal and managerial decision-making as well as policy-making.

Research Methods for Behavioural Science*

covers the main methodological concepts and tools in behavioural science.

Policy Appraisal and Impact

Assessment* introduces the main concepts and tools of policy appraisal and project impact assessment.

Philosophy and Public Policy*

examines the key moral and political values that are essential for policy-makers.

Goals and Motivation for Individuals

and Teams* introduces empirically tested strategies for successful goal setting and goal pursuit at both the individual and group (team level).

Dissertation

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This MSc will prepare you to seek and/or advance your career in behavioural science in multiple sectors including the public and private and sectors, non-governmental organisations, and academia. Upon graduation you can expect to take on more responsibility or pursue new and expanded opportunities within the behavioural science field.

Executive MSc in Cities

lse.ac.uk/exec/ec

Application code: K4U1

Start date: 12 September 2016

Duration: The programme consists of five modular teaching blocks over 12 months, followed by a six month consultancy project (Note: The unique teaching arrangements are designed to be suitable for participants in full-time employment)

Minimum entry requirement:

Typically, a minimum of 10 years of professional experience in an urban related public/private/third sector, or professionals with a similar level of experience who wish to move into the urban sector.

A good first degree in any discipline (2:1 minimum) or equivalent professional qualification

English requirement: Standard (see English requirements page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £30,000

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

The Executive MSc in Cities is designed for public, private and third sector leaders who want to deliver large scale change in cities.

Based at LSE Cities, a leading international centre that has informed global urban practice for the last fifteen years, we deploy the centre's global network of city leaders and the School's leading urban specialty faculty to put the latest ground-breaking research to business and public action.

The executive programme provides specially designed, interdisciplinary courses focused on applied research and methods, and a modular teaching programme, designed to meet the needs of leading professionals from international, national and metropolitan organisations as well as companies and corporations involved in shaping the urban world.

Specifically it provides:

- An integrated set of executive level courses that work across complex and connected issues helping students analyse urban projects and policies

from rigorous economic, social and environmental perspectives

- Unique participant based teaching methods putting you at the centre of the classroom experience and in the midst of real challenges faced by current organisations and cities
- Access to LSE Cities' global leaders network and LSE's leading faculty from the Department of Sociology and the Department of Government, as well as colleagues from other LSE departments in relevant areas of expertise including economic development, regional and urban planning, housing policy, climate change and risk
- A modular programme structure allowing students to take courses whilst engaged in full-time employment, through attendance at week-long intensive courses spread over 12 months
- The involvement of, and interaction with, highly experienced practitioners from city governments, planning and transport departments, as well as experts from research centres and institutions, development and design professions, urban consultancies and infrastructure providers from the UK and abroad
- A comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment and peer network
- Access to LSE Cities' future Urban Age conference series and LSE Cities' Leaders forum

Through the choice of two optional courses, you have the flexibility to customise your curriculum. You'll leave LSE with high-level knowledge and advanced skills which will empower you to master new challenges with your current organisation and expand your choice of career options.

Applicants will be considered who have a good first degree from any subject background and substantial relevant work experience. We typically expect at least 10 years of work experience.

Programme details

The Executive MSc in Cities comprises six modules. Students will attend the LSE for five one-week sessions over a 12 month period. The programme also includes a compulsory six month urban consultancy project, to be undertaken in an executive's own organisation or for an external organisation. Teaching will be undertaken through a mix of seminars, case challenges, workshops, group work, site visits, presentations and pitches. The modules are assessed by a combination of individual reports, individual and group presentations, and the consultancy report.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Governing Cities in an Urban Age* provides an intensive exploration of the global urbanisation and the state of

cities. The course introduces different stages of urban development in cities and regions across the world. It provides students with an understanding of the key challenges facing both mature and rapidly-developing metropolitan areas.

Cities and Society: Design and social cohesion* looks at some of the major drivers of urban inequality and poverty and the key actions that cities are taking to reduce urban inequalities through urban design, infrastructure and policy. This is a heavily applied course providing students with tools to analyse the socio-demographic profile of households and neighbourhoods and their relation to spatial distribution and clustering in cities of the developing and developed world.

Cities and the Economy: Urban economic development and finance* is an applied course looking at how cities position themselves in a competitive global economy and on the role of city government and firms in driving local economic development. The course introduces key methodologies to measure and analyse the city economy as well as policies and tools available to attract investment and finance as well as improve growth and competitiveness. The course uses case based challenges, futures and foresight techniques to put economic strategies to the test.

Cities and the Environment: Urban environmental transitions* explores critical aspects of environmental sustainability in relation to both urbanisation globally and urban change in individual cities. The applied components of the course give students the relevant tools to measure, analyse and assess environmental impact and develop environmental strategies. It introduces debates on different green city paradigms and focuses specifically on approaches to urban climate change mitigation and adaptation. The course further examines implications for urban planning, governance and management.

Urban consultancy project is a six-month individual consultation undertaken by a student in their own organisation or for an external organisation. Through the consultancy project, students will apply the knowledge and skills acquired in the first six courses of the programme to craft policy or program improvements for public or private agencies and non-profit organisations. Through in depth interviews with the organisation's leaders as well as the relevant stakeholders, students will focus on a specific project and offer advice on one or more of its design and implementation phases.

In addition to the compulsory courses, students will be expected to choose one optional course from the following:

Urban Infrastructure and Strategic Planning

Urban Development and Masterplanning

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The Executive MSc in Cities is a transformational programme that provides skills and knowledge to enhance career prospects and expand options in the area of public and private urban practice.

MSc Finance (Part-time)

lse.ac.uk/exec/ftp

Application code: N42A

Start date: Applicants will be required to attend an evening pre-session course in late September and early October 2016

Duration: 21 months part-time (21 month part-time master's programmes are not compliant with the Bologna process which may affect the extent to which they are "recognised". For more information on Bologna, please see page 11)

Intake/applications in 2014: 50/179

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline and good quantitative skills. Two to five years of relevant work experience will be considered an advantage (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: Submission of GRE or GMAT test results is an advantage but not a requirement

Fee level: Year one £15,804 (2016/17), Year two £15,804 (2017/18)

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Notes: The programme is taught on two evenings per week

The MSc Finance (part-time) programme provides a unique opportunity to pursue a world-leading MSc Finance degree alongside a full-time career. It is designed for professionals working in London who aspire to high-powered careers in finance and who wish to acquire a more in-depth and academically rigorous knowledge of the subject. The programme is LSE's most established MSc degree for executives and is specifically tailored to meet the needs and demands of part-time students, not only in terms of academic content but also in terms of the structure and timing of teaching and the support provided for students throughout the programme.

The MSc Finance (part-time) is identical in academic structure and content to the Full-time programme, only differing in the mode of teaching, with the Part-time programme taught exclusively in the evenings over two years. All courses (which are available to MSc Finance students only) are taught by the Department's world-leading faculty and encompass a range of innovative and cutting-edge subjects. The degree is therefore ideal for students seeking an academically rigorous and internationally recognised master's in finance to give them a solid foundation in the field and enhance their career.

The programme is aimed students from any academic background with good undergraduate degrees and good quantitative skills. The mathematics used in the programme includes basic calculus and statistics, which applicants should be able to demonstrate through either their previous academic studies or professional experience. Submission of GRE or GMAT test results is an advantage but not a requirement. Some knowledge of economics would be an advantage, but this could have been acquired professionally. As the programme is designed primarily for professionals working full-time in London in the finance sector (or in related fields), two to five years of relevant work experience will be considered an advantage.

Programme details

The foundation of the programme is built in the first year with the study of two compulsory courses – Asset Markets and Corporate Finance. In the second year, students deepen their knowledge by taking four optional half unit courses, on topics such as risk management, portfolio management methods, advanced derivatives and structured financial products, fixed income, advanced corporate finance, and applied financial valuation. Students will also be required to write an extended essay in the place of an exam in one of the four optional courses. All students are required to attend a pre-session course in September, which covers preparatory quantitative methods.

Throughout the programme, the Department provides a range of tailored resources to support part-time students in combining their studies with demanding professional lives. These include regular academic help and review sessions, dedicated course support and extensive administrative support for all students. Students are also given access to a range of practitioners both in class and via the programme's alumni network. Being only a short journey from the City and Canary Wharf LSE is ideally located for professionals to commute to and from the office for lectures, to study with their classmates or attend public lectures.

Year one: Compulsory courses

Corporate Finance provides a comprehensive overview of firms' financial decision-making.

Asset Markets familiarises students with the workings of financial markets, and equips them with the fundamental tools of asset valuation.

Year two: Options

(* half unit)

Students take four half unit courses from the following dedicated courses:

Corporate Investment and Financial Policy

Financial Engineering

Fixed Income Securities and Credit Markets

Mergers, Buyouts and Corporate Restructurings

Risk Management in Financial Markets

Students also have the option of taking one of the following non-dedicated courses, taught in the daytime, during the second year (subject to availability): **Global Financial System*** and **International Finance***.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

As the vast majority of MSc Finance (part-time) students are already working in finance (or in a related role) when they join the programme, each individual's future direction upon graduation depends on their own aspirations and career experience. However, whatever their reason for pursuing the programme, whether it be to help fast-track their professional development, change trajectory or simply gain more knowledge in relation to their current role, the programme aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to succeed in, and enhance, their career.

This programme is not intended as suitable preparation for the PhD Finance at LSE (if

you are interested in PhD study, please see MSc Finance and Economics page 86).

Executive MSc Health Economics, Policy and Management

lse.ac.uk/exec/hepm

Application code: L4HM

Start date: First two-week session to commence December 2016

Duration: Modular programme. 24 months (maximum 50) for the MSc

Intake/applications in 2014: 43/123

Minimum entry requirement:

Bachelor's degree (UK 2:1 or international equivalent) and three years' relevant work experience

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £9,184 (year one), £8,830 (year two)

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admission

Note: The programme fee does not include accommodation costs, travel expenses or any additional expenses incurred while studying at LSE. The LSE Accommodation Office can offer advice for students looking for accommodation. Students will have full access to the Library and electronic resources available to all LSE students including an email address



This programme is based in the Department of Social Policy with staff based within LSE Health and aims to provide a set of high-quality, integrated courses to equip students in health economics, health policy and health care management. Specifically it provides:

- the opportunity to study in one of the most highly rated research centres (LSE Health) in the subject area in the world, both for its research and its institutional links
- a modular course structure allowing students to take the programme whilst engaged in employment through attendance at four two-week intensive LSE based lecture courses
- this is a modular MSc with diploma or certificate exit points depending on the number of modules taken
- the opportunity for individuals in government, industry and the health care services sector to achieve a formal graduate qualification in Health Economics, Policy and Management even if they are unable to devote themselves to full-time study
- teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of research into British and European health economics and health policy

- a comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist research groups based in the Department

With our wide variety of modules, you have the flexibility to customise your curriculum, pursue the areas that most interest you, fit your background, experience, and goals, and challenge you to reach your fullest potential. You'll leave LSE with the high level knowledge and range of skills to master new challenges and expand your choice of careers.

Participants will have an upper second class honours degree from within any subject background and at least three years' work experience in a health related field.

When applying you will be required to submit one academic and one professional reference. If you graduated from your most recent academic study before January 2011 and no academic references are available, you may supply two professional references.

Students unable to complete the two year MSc programme may be eligible for a certificate or diploma.

Programme details

The MSc comprises eight half unit taught courses spaced over two years, as well as a dissertation. Students will attend LSE for four two-week sessions over the two year period.

A key component of the MSc is a dissertation of up to 5,000 words on a topic individually selected, to be prepared in conjunction with a personal supervisor. For students continuing to a PhD this might form the basis for their eventual doctoral thesis.

Each course consists of a minimum of 20 hours of contact. Over the course of the MSc, students will have 160 face-to-face contact hours alongside of additional meetings with their tutors and support while off-campus from faculty such as through online revision sessions.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Year One

Health Economics* examines the nature of health care as an economic commodity.

Financing Health Care* focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Resource Allocation and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis* gives an overview of the theory underlying economic evaluation as applied to the health care sector.

Health Administration and

Management* provides students with an orientation and overview on managing organisations within health systems.

Year Two

Dissertation

Students will be expected to choose courses to the value of two units from a range of options.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This MSc will prepare students to seek employment in many sectors including the pharmaceutical and medical devices industries, consultancies, insurers and insurance funds, health care management, government, non-governmental organisations and academia. Upon graduation, many students will also expect to take on more responsibility or a different focus with their current employer.

MSc Health Economics, Outcomes and Management in Cardiovascular Sciences (Modular)

lse.ac.uk/exec/heomcs

Application code: L4CS

Start date: First two-week session to commence December 2016

Duration: Modular programme. 24 months (maximum 50) for the MSc

Intake/applications: New programme for 2015

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 in any discipline, with social science background and/or work experience in the health policy field (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £11,440 (Year one); £11,440 (Year two)

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support. A limited number of highly selective scholarships are available from the European Society of Cardiology. See lse.ac.uk/heomcs for details

Application deadline: None – rolling admission

Note: Programme fee does not include accommodation costs, travel expenses or any additional expenses incurred while studying at LSE. The LSE Accommodation Office can offer advice for students looking for accommodation. Students will have full access to the Library and electronic resources available to all LSE students including an email address

Based in the Department of Social Policy, the programme is delivered by faculty based in LSE Health. LSE Health is one of the Department's associated research centres and one of the world's most highly rated research and teaching centres both for its policy-minded health research and its world-class teaching. Offered in collaboration with the European Society of Cardiology, the programme provides healthcare professionals with a set of tailored courses in health economics, outcomes research and health care management in cardiovascular sciences. Specifically it provides:

- The opportunity, through attendance at intensive two-week sessions, for health care professionals to obtain a formal graduate qualification whilst continuing employment
- Teaching by experts at the forefront of research into health economics, outcomes research and health care management.

- An international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist research groups based within and outside of the School

With our unique courses tailored for healthcare professionals working in cardiovascular sciences, you will have opportunity to pursue the areas that are most important to your career.

In addition to gaining a theoretical and conceptual understanding of health economics, outcomes research, and management, you will acquire new skills to accelerate or refocus your career.

Applicants with a good first degree from within any subject background or substantial work experience in the health care arena relating to cardiovascular sciences will be considered.

You should supply one academic and one professional reference to be considered for this programme. If you graduated from your most recent academic study before January 2011 and no academic references are available, you may supply two professional references. Those students unable to complete the two year MSc programme may obtain a certificate or diploma.

Programme details

The MSc comprises of eight half unit taught courses spaced over two years and a dissertation. Students will attend LSE for four two-week sessions over the two year period.

The programme includes a dissertation of up to 5,000 words on a topic of your choice, to be prepared in conjunction with a personal supervisor.

Each course consists of a minimum of 20 hours of contact. Over the course of the MSc, students will have 160 face-to-face contact hours alongside of additional meetings with their tutors and support while off-campus from faculty such as through online revision sessions.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Year One

Quality and Outcomes in Cardiovascular Sciences* gives an overview of health economics, outcomes research, and management in cardiovascular sciences.

Economic Analysis for Health Policy* describes the role economics can play in health policy and health system administration.

Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis* focuses on the principles of reviewing and synthesising the existing evidence to evaluate healthcare interventions.

Economic Evaluation in Health Care* provides students with the skills to understand, critically appraise, develop, and interpret cost-effectiveness analyses.

Year Two

Cardiovascular Epidemiology and Prevention* provides an overview of key epidemiological trends in cardiovascular diseases.

Dissertation*

During Year two, students will choose courses to the value of one and a half units from the following options:

Financing Health Care* focuses on the health financing functions of collecting revenue, pooling funds and purchasing services, as well as on policy choices concerning coverage, resource allocation and market structure.

Statistical Methods in Health Care Economic Evaluation* focuses on the statistical and modelling techniques necessary to apply economic evaluation to the health care sector.

Measuring Health System Performance* presents a framework to discuss the dimensions, levels, and instruments of performance measurement in health care.

Health Care Quality Management* describes quality improvement approaches as used in healthcare settings internationally.

Health Administration and Management* provides students with an orientation and overview on managing organisations within health systems.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

This MSc will prepare students to explore new advisory, management, and leadership roles within the health care field. Beyond their current work settings, students will be able to expand their employment opportunities in related sectors including the pharmaceutical and medical devices industries, consultancies, government, and non-governmental organisations. Upon graduation, you can expect to take on more responsibility or shift your career focus in the cardiovascular science field.

MSc International Strategy and Diplomacy

lse.ac.uk/exec/isd

Application code: L2UJ

Start date: 22 September 2016

Duration: 12 months (Note: This is a full-time programme at LSE. However, the unique teaching calendar has been designed to allow working professionals to attend all sessions.)

Intake/applications in 2014: 27/85

Minimum entry requirement: This programme is intended for mid-career professionals both from the public and private sector. Minimum requirements to be considered for a place on the programme are: a) a first or upper second class honours (2:1) degree from a UK university (or non-UK equivalent) in politics, history, international relations or similar disciplines at undergraduate level. A good master's degree will suffice instead of this; b) at least four years of professional experience but preferably 10. (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: £28,077

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None
– rolling admissions

This executive programme is organised and managed by LSE IDEAS, the centre for International Affairs, Diplomacy and Strategy. The programme offers the following benefits:

- study within a group of professionals in a leading world centre for the subject, situated in the only UK institution devoted to the social sciences, and in a thriving research community
- intellectual input from leading LSE academics in the field of international relations, strategy and diplomacy
- involvement from senior policy practitioners on core analytical issues
- in-depth focus on the trends, threats and risks shaping the contemporary international landscape
- unique emphasis on how to address the national and trans-national challenges of the future
- opportunity for active student participation in a small group environment
- international networking with LSE IDEAS's academic and professional contacts

The Executive MSc International Strategy and Diplomacy is a unique one year programme designed to enhance the strategic vision of future leaders. The programme examines the changing global landscape created by the fundamental shifts that have occurred in domestic and international relations in the past 20 years. Lectures and seminars focus on strategic trends, the emergence of new strategic actors, the international

environment within which they operate, with particular attention to new security challenges and global flash-points.

As an integral part of the established LSE Executive Programme, it is also focused on applicability and relevance, on how to manage risk and change. Therefore, participants learn not only how to use strategy to deal with adversaries, but also to cooperate with others in solving common problems, be they military, diplomatic/political, economic or business.

Enrolment is restricted to professionals with at least four years of work experience in order to ensure high-calibre discussion and intellectual engagement. This programme is particularly suitable for professionals who are aiming to proceed to senior political or corporate level positions. It will also be of interest to those wishing to deepen their conceptual grasp of contemporary international relations, and how to address the complex challenges of the future.

Programme details

The teaching is concentrated in the following units:

Four intensive weeks in September (five days), December (five days), January (five days) and April (five days)

22 weekly evening lectures followed by seminars from October to March

Two policy weekends in November and March

Students are assessed via an assessed academic essay (counting for 25 per cent of the final mark) and an assessed policy paper (25 per cent of the final mark). The summer term is devoted to writing a 3,000 word dissertation plan (12.5 per cent of the final mark) and a 15,000 dissertation (37.5 per cent of the final mark) on a topic agreed with the dissertation supervisor.

Compulsory courses

* half unit)

Strategy in a Changing World

examines five different perspectives on strategy: the need for a new approach to strategy; the interplay between old and new strategic actors; strategic trends – political, military, economic; the evolving strategic international environment and the changing role of institutions; and the nature of strategic decisions.

Diplomacy and Challenges looks at six key aspects of diplomacy: the tools of diplomacy, both old and new; the arts of diplomatic and business negotiation; how different types of crisis have been resolved; in-depth discussions of a major current international problem; the challenges ahead, including new security issues and global flashpoints; preventative action and crisis management.

Strategy in Action* gives participants experience in evaluating foreign policy decisions and options, preventative action to reduce near-term risks and threats, and the development of longer term strategies. Through

group exercises, participants will be asked to prepare a strategy and policy paper relevant to the day.

A 15,000 word **Dissertation** (one and a half units).

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The majority of graduates have continued to work in their previous posts, though very often at a higher level after having completed their studies. Others have changed direction entirely with some moving into government, international organisations, foreign policy consultancy, and full-time education.

Executive Master's in Law (LLM)

lse.ac.uk/exec/ellm

Application code: M3U5

Start date: Enrolment on the programme can take place at any of the module sessions. Sessions take place in December, April and September each year

Duration: Modular programme. 36-48 months to complete degree

Intake/applications in 2014: 18/57

Minimum entry requirement: A high 2:1 in a UK Bachelor of Laws degree (or equivalent), plus applicants must have had at least three years post-degree experience in legal practice (see page 40)

English requirement: Law score (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Registration fee of £500 and a per module fee of £3,328 (NB. fees may increase over time)

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions: applications will be accepted at any time during the academic year and students may take modules as soon as they have been accepted to the programme. Students must apply a minimum of two months in advance of their first proposed module date

The Executive LLM is a new part-time degree for working professionals who have obtained at least three years post degree work experience in law. This could, for example, be in a law firm, government, a company, a non-governmental organisation or an international organisation.

The Executive LLM is one of the most innovative and intellectually exciting LLM programmes offered in Europe today. It

makes available the highest quality graduate education, taught by many of the leading academics in the UK, to individuals in full-time employment who are not in a position to take a year-long break from work.

We envisage that the Executive LLM programme of study will typically be completed in four years, although students with more time flexibility will be able to complete the programme in three years. To obtain the degree, students must complete eight modules. The modules will be taught in intensive week-long sessions in December, April and September. Each module will provide between 24-26 hours of contact teaching time. Students will be provided with online and hard copy materials for the module in advance of the intensive teaching.

Whilst we hope and expect that most of our Executive LLM students will complete

the whole programme, we recognise that unexpected work commitments may sometimes make this unfeasible. With this in mind, the Executive LLM also offers alternative exit points for students who have completed several modules but are not able to complete the whole degree. An LSE Diploma in Legal Studies is available on the completion of six modules and a Certificate of Legal Studies on the completion of four modules.

Programme details

The modules that we will offer on the Executive LLM over the three to four year degree period are set out on our website. We will not offer all of these modules every year, although some of the more popular options may be offered in each year, or more than once each year. We aim to offer between 15-20 modules on a yearly basis when the programme is operating at full capacity.

Modules will be examined through a combination of assessed essays (8,000 words) and take-home examinations. Up to three modules may be assessed through essay with the remainder being assessed through take-home examination.

The student may select in which modules they wish to submit the assessed essay. The take-home examinations will be downloaded and uploaded online. Students will be expected to choose eight modules from options including:

- Arbitration/Dispute Resolution
- Corporate/Commercial/Financial Law
- Constitutional/Human Rights Law
- International Law
- Information Technology, Media and Communications Law

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is designed for working professionals with a minimum of three years post-degree experience in legal practice – for example; in a law firm, government, a company, a non-governmental organisation or an international organisation. The programme is recognised as enhancing a wide range of career paths.



Executive Global Master's in Management

lse.ac.uk/exec/egmim

Application code: N2U9

Start date: Late August 2016

Duration: 17 months part-time in modules of 1-2 weeks in length in London, Beijing and Bangalore

Intake/applications in 2014: 37/65

Minimum entry requirement: First or good upper second class bachelor's degree or equivalent in any subject (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: A GMAT or GRE score is not required, only recommended to those who do not meet our requirements with their prior degree

Fee level: £27,000 per year (two-year programme) with a pre-registration fee of £2,500 to gain early access to online programme materials (this will be deducted from the overall tuition fee)

Financial support: As an executive programme, this degree is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: For detailed information about application procedures and programme features, please visit globalmim.com

This highly challenging and rewarding programme is the LSE alternative to an MBA, providing the same outstanding training in the core disciplines of management and leadership, but with a much deeper understanding of the geo-political and socio-economic contexts which fundamentally underpin the success or failure of businesses across the world.

This unique programme is designed for outstanding working professionals in any industry, providing a route to transition into a top-level senior management career.

The programme is designed with a flexible modular format, enabling students to continue working full-time while studying. You will take time out of the office for seven intensive classroom modules in London, Beijing and Bangalore over the course of the 17 month programme, and in between modules you can continue to work full-time in your home location. Please view the 2015-17 programme module dates on the website.

The programme will develop students' talent to make better business decisions, based on a deeper understanding of the global geo-political and socio-economic context in which business operates. This academic depth and rigorous critical thinking will develop our students as innovative business leaders with unique skills and understanding

to navigate and thrive in the fast-changing world of business.

The core curriculum provides an optimum balance between rigorous academic analysis and real-world practice. We offer more academic depth than a traditional MBA, but retain the crucial real-world application and teamwork elements in the programme. The core courses cover the key disciplines of management (management, leadership, strategy, organisations and innovation, financial management, marketing, and foreign direct investment), and how each of these topics inter-relate and affect one another in a global context. Students are assessed through a variety of methods, with an emphasis on integrated assignments which help students to understand how all disciplines fit together in real-world scenarios. You can also customise the programme according to your own interests and career goals with a dissertation or capstone project on a topic of your choice, ideally related to a business issue in your current employment, or a planned entrepreneurial venture.

Each year the class is formed of a carefully selected group of students from a diverse range of employment backgrounds, industries, and international locations. Our students benefit from this network of close connections with talented professionals from around the world, as well as the wider global community of LSE students, staff and alumni.

The programme will provide the knowledge and professional networks to enable our students to achieve higher-level and longer-lasting career success on an international scale; whether changing to a more senior job role with their current employer, changing company/industry, or managing their own business.

View full programme details, download our brochure, and register to attend an information session online.

Admissions are operated on a rolling basis for entry in August 2016, however we encourage applicants to apply as early as possible to avoid disappointment.

Programme details

Key features of the programme include:

- a gateway to higher-level and longer-lasting career success as a senior manager and leader
- a highly challenging academic approach to business practise
- flexible part-time modular format for working professionals, with instant return on investment as learning from the classroom is applied directly in your work
- international modules in London, Beijing and Bangalore
- study in a small select classroom with the top students from across the world

- become the newest member of the LSE's prestigious network of students and alumni, including government leaders and Nobel laureates, in 190 countries across the world

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Managerial Economics* aims to equip you with a range of tools to analyse the behaviour of firms, consumers and markets. It will introduce you to basic economic concepts and show how they can be used to understand and analyse the business environment to make better business decisions.

Foundations of Management* is a uniquely integrated course which provides an overview of the development of key management disciplines.

Organisational Behaviour* aims to review psychological theories as they apply to organisations and demonstrate how this perspective contributes to understanding human behaviour at work.

Financial Management* is designed to provide an applied and practical approach to finance, enabling the students to address topical issues that modern corporations face.

Strategy, Organisation and Innovation* investigates central questions in strategic

management, applying tools from microeconomics, industrial organisation and organisational economics to competitive decision making, with the emphasis being on the application of these concepts to business situations.

Foreign Direct Investment and Emerging Markets* will analyse the emergence of firms which operate on a global scale and their current and likely future interactions with emerging markets.

Marketing Strategy* covers the main theories and concepts in marketing and students will have the opportunity to apply the theories in a practical setting.

Dissertation/Capstone Project* (6,000 words) will be based on an area of interest to the student or relate to their organisation or business of their choice.

Students will also take two non-assessed courses in **Leadership in Practice** and **Foundations of Management 2**.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The programme is designed as a gateway for outstanding working professionals from any industry/ background to transition into a top-level senior management and leadership career. Whatever your career goals and aspirations are, the programme will provide a foundation to change job role with your current employer, transition to a new company/industry, or develop your own business.

The global focus of the programme provides the knowledge and experience to prepare students to work outside of their home country, reach international markets with their business, or work in an international-facing role for a multinational company.

Our graduates are equipped with lasting knowledge and experience to outperform their peers from more traditional business school programmes (such as MBAs) in the competitive business environment, with a deeper understanding of global business enabling them to make better-informed business decisions, predict and thrive with future trends, and innovate in the fast-changing global environment.

Executive MSc Political Economy of Europe (Modular)

lse.ac.uk/exec/peem

Application codes: L2UO

Start date: 12 December 2016

Duration: Modular programme. 24 months (maximum 50) for the eMSc

Intake/application in 2014: 6/17

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 or equivalent in any discipline, with social science background and/ or work experience in the field of political economy (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one £11,249 in 2016/17, Year two £11,249 in 2017/18

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

Note: The programme fee does not include accommodation costs, travel expenses or any additional expenses incurred while studying at LSE. The European Institute Programme Office can offer advice for students looking

for accommodation. Students will have full access to the Library and electronic resources available to all LSE students including an email address once the pre-registration fee has been paid

This programme is based in the European Institute and aims to provide a set of high-quality integrated courses. The programme is structured to equip students with an analytical understanding of the political-economic processes of integration and fragmentation in Europe. Specifically it provides:

- Study in one of the most highly rated research centres in the subject area in the world, both for its research and its institutional links.
- A modular course structure allowing students to take the programme whilst engaged in employment through attendance at eight one-week LSE-based intensive seminars.
- The opportunity for individuals in, amongst others, the private sector, government, NGOs, and lobbying groups, to achieve a formal graduate qualification in the political economy of Europe even if they are unable to devote themselves to full-time study.
- Teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of political economy research in Europe.

- A comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist research groups based at LSE.

The course offerings in this degree are designed to provide you with sophisticated analytical skills as well as detailed empirical knowledge. These will equip you to understand the key political-economic challenges facing Europe today, such as the crisis of monetary integration, with its possible spill-over into other areas of the European economies, to the reform of labour markets and welfare states in the old and new member-states. The aim of the Political Economy of Europe programme is to complement the specialist knowledge that you may already have in one or a limited number of areas in this broad field with an in-depth understanding of other areas and, where appropriate, their interrelations. Upon completion of the degree, you are likely to explore new career opportunities, either with your current employer, where you are certain to take on new responsibilities, or with a new employer; both will value your broad, analytical and integrated knowledge of different political-economic processes in Europe at a time of unknown political-economic challenges for the continent.

Applicants with a good first degree in any of the social sciences will be considered. Degrees in other areas will be individually

evaluated, based on merit, experience and motivation.

You can supply one academic and one professional reference to be considered for this programme. It is in your interest to supply academic references wherever possible. If you graduated from your most recent academic study before January 2011 and no academic references are available, you may supply two professional references.

Programme details

The Modular MSc comprises six half unit courses including the dissertation, and one full unit. Students will attend LSE for eight one-week sessions over the two-year period. Evaluations will consist of several formative and summative essays as well as written examinations throughout the programme.

A key component of the MSc is a dissertation of up to 6,000 words on a topic individually selected, to be prepared in conjunction with a personal supervisor. Special research training and supervision sessions in the fourth week-long seminar will guide students in this process.

Each course consists of a minimum of 20 hours of contact (40 for the full unit course). Over the course of the MSc, students will have 150 face-to-face contact hours alongside of additional meetings with their tutors and support while off-campus

from faculty such as through online and Skype revision sessions.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Year one:

Key issues in the Political Economy of Europe is the core course for the degree. It starts with a review of the relation between state and economy in both Western Europe and Central and Eastern Europe over the post-war period in light of the debates about the relative performance of post-war capitalism and socialism, and the demise of central planning and Keynesianism in the 1970s and 1980s. Discussions about market-making, market governance and institutional adjustment frame the debates about the nature of economic integration in Europe from the Rome Treaty until the crisis of EMU.

Capitalism and Democracy in Central Europe* applies concepts of political economy, economics and political science to its investigation of Central and Eastern Europe's evolution through post-communist transition to highly open, FDI-dependent emerging markets with 'European' expectations of welfare.

European Capitalism(s) and the Global Economy* considers the varieties of capitalism literature, conducts a comparative analysis of the core issues in the political economy of contemporary

capitalism and how capital, labour and product markets are structured.

Year two:

Interest groups, markets and democracy* focuses on the representation of interests in Europe, and their role in economic policy-making.

Economic Governance of EMU* analyses the process of European monetary integration and its implications for the institutions of economic governance in the EU.

The Political Economy of Welfare State Reform* applies the concepts of economics and political economy to social policies in European welfare states.

Dissertation*

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

Upon finishing this programme, graduates are expected to move up in the organisation where they are employed, taking on more and broader responsibilities; or find higher management positions elsewhere. Former graduates of the standard sister degree “MSc in Political Economy of Europe” pursue successful careers in politics, journalism, diplomacy, business and in international financial institutions.

Executive Master of Public Administration

lse.ac.uk/exec/mpa

Application code: L2UM

Start date: 11 December 2016

Duration: Taught over 19 months in modular blocks. (Note: The unique teaching arrangements are designed to be suitable for participants in full-time employment)

Intake/applications in 2014: 35/81

Minimum entry requirement: 2:1 degree in any discipline (see page 40)

English requirement: Standard (see page 43)

GRE/GMAT requirement: None

Fee level: Year one £13,915, Year two £13,915

Financial support: This programme is not eligible for LSE financial support

Application deadline: None – rolling admissions

This programme is offered through LSE's Institute of Public Affairs and delivered by the Department of Economics and the Department of Government in collaboration with leading scholars from across LSE. It provides a set of high quality, interdisciplinary courses devised to meet the needs of government departments and public agencies in

many countries for highly skilled and professional policy-makers. It also meets the needs of people working with governments but in the private sector, for instance in consultancy, regulated industries such as financial services, public-private partnerships, public affairs, media, non-governmental organisations and interest groups. The programme is designed for those in full-time employment.

Specifically it provides:

- Study in the Institute of Public Affairs, drawing on faculty and institutional links from across the School to support and enhance LSE's public policy training.
- A modular programme structure allowing students to study courses whilst engaged in full-time employment, through attendance at week-long intensive courses and long weekend (Friday – Sunday) Policy in Practice Workshops.
- Teaching by specialists who are at the forefront of research in public administration and policy-making.
- Interaction with senior-level practitioners responsible for the development and implementation of major policy initiatives.
- A comparative, international and multidisciplinary environment with links to several specialist institutions partnered with the Institute of Public Affairs.

- An interactive format that builds on the insights of an experienced, skilled and internationally diverse cohort.

The choice of two week-long courses from a range of options allows you the flexibility to customise your curriculum. You may wish to use this flexibility to develop new skills, pursue personal and professional interests, or add depth to existing knowledge. You will leave LSE with high-level knowledge and advanced skills which will empower you to master new challenges with your current organisation and expand your choice of career options.

The EMPA shares some classes with the Civil Service and LSE Executive Master of Public Policy (EMPP), a sponsored degree programme for senior levels of the UK Civil Service. This allows EMPA students to benefit from the experience and insight of senior government decision-makers and for EMPP students to benefit from the diversity of experience in the EMPA cohort. The EMPA/EMPP peer network will provide support and inspiration throughout your professional career.

Applicants will be considered who have a good first degree from any subject background and substantial relevant work experience. We typically expect at least five years of work experience.

This programme requires either two academic references or one academic and one professional reference. The latter should be a reference from your most recent employer. If you graduated

from your most recent academic study before 2011 and no academic references are available, you may supply two professional references. It is in your interest to supply academic references wherever possible. In addition to this we encourage you to supplement your application by uploading a CV.

Programme details

The EMPA programme comprises eight modules spaced over a 19 month period. Students will attend LSE for five one-week sessions. The programme also includes three compulsory three-day weekend Policy in Practice Workshops. Work on campus will be complemented with preparatory readings and online revision material. The modules are assessed with a combination of written assignments and exams.

Compulsory courses

(* half unit)

Public Policy in Practice Workshop (I)*, Public Policy in Practice Workshop (II)*, Public Policy in Practice Workshop (III)*. The policy workshops apply the analytical tools that are taught in the week-long modules of the Executive MPA to specific policy areas. Teaching is based on a series of case studies. The case studies are taught by specialists in a particular policy area and are complemented with group working sessions by the students and presentations by policy practitioners involved in the policy area.

Political Science and Public Policy* introduces a range of theoretical and empirical tools to analyse the politics of policymaking. The main focus is on political institutes in modern democracies and how they relate to public policy. This class is shared with the EMPP programme.

Empirical Methods for Public Policy* introduces the quantitative evaluation of public policies and focuses on the practical applications of state of the art approaches to test the effectiveness of public policy interventions. This class is shared with the EMPP programme.

Economic Policy Analysis* covers both key microeconomic policy issues, such as externalities, public goals and principal-agent problems, and macroeconomic

issues such as unemployment, fiscal and monetary policies, international trade and finance and the determinants of long-run growth. This class is shared with the EMPP programme.

In addition to compulsory courses students will be expected to choose two courses from a range of one week option courses which currently include:

Global Market Economics

Regulatory Analysis

Fiscal Governance and Budgeting

Development Economics

Option courses are shared with the EMPP and are subject to change and replacement.

Please note that not every course is available each year and that some courses may only be available with the permission of the course convenor and/or may be subject to space.

Graduate destinations

The Executive MPA is a transformational programme that provides skills and knowledge to enhance career prospects and expand options in the area of public policy. LSE Executive MPA alumni will occupy positions in governments, international organisations, the private sector and think tanks around the world.



TRIUM Global Executive MBA

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LSE offers the TRIUM Global Executive MBA Programme jointly with NYU Stern School of Business and HEC Paris School of Management. It is divided into six intellectually rigorous modules held in five international business locations over a 17-month period.

A number of distinctive features set the TRIUM Global Executive MBA programme apart from other programmes, including the following:

Truly global

The TRIUM Global Executive MBA class comprises diverse, experienced senior level executives from around the world. Our students live and work in more than 30 different countries.

Classes are taught by faculty members from all three partner schools. During the modules, regional academic and industry experts are selectively invited by TRIUM faculty to further enrich the curriculum and to ensure maximum regional breadth and knowledge.

Executive MBA curriculum with added global geopolitical dimension

TRIUM is the only Executive MBA programme to integrate an international socio-political, economic dimension

into its entire MBA curriculum. LSE, the leading social science institution in the world, brings its unparalleled expertise in this arena to the programme.

Customised, integrated curriculum

The TRIUM curriculum is tailor made for the senior level international executive participants in the programme. The modules are designed and delivered by all three schools to build seamlessly upon one another, ensuring that the curriculum, which draws upon the special strengths of each school, is delivered in a unified and complementary way.

Prestigious global credentials

Upon successful completion of the programme, TRIUM Global Executive MBA students will be awarded a single MBA degree issued jointly by all three schools.

Access to the broadest, most international alumni network

TRIUM Global Executive MBA alumni will have access to three diverse and powerful alumni networks – those of NYU Stern, LSE and HEC Paris, in addition to the TRIUM alumni network.

Please visit triumemba.org for detailed information about the programme, admission requirements and how to apply.

Courses

Programme schedule:

Module 1: September, two weeks at LSE

Module 2: January, one and a half weeks in California in collaboration with NYU Stern

Module 3: April, two weeks at NYU Stern

Module 4: July, two weeks at HEC Paris

Module 5: October, one and a half weeks at NYU Shanghai

Module 6: February, one week at HEC Paris

This executive friendly format reduces the absence from the office to only 10 weeks over the 17 month period. TRIUM's interactive distance learning platform fosters a continuous educational community between the modules and allows executives from around the world to communicate with their professors and classmates throughout the programme. The platform is also used for learning activities that facilitate pre-module preparatory work and post-module follow up, as well as individual and team project work and assignments.

Apply

To request an informational meeting, please submit a preliminary information form at: www.triumemba.org/admissions/prelimform.php

The preliminary information form is designed to provide us with the information we need to conduct an informational interview. These interviews are optional and are not part of the formal application process. They are useful to help applicants gain a better understanding of the programme before deciding to formally apply.

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