



Department of  
**Economic History**



MSc Economic History (Research) ■

**HANDBOOK FOR STUDENTS**

**2024 – 2025**

## Term dates, 2024 – 2025

**Autumn Term:** Monday 30 September – Friday 13 December 2024

**AT Reading Week:** Monday 4 November – Friday 8 November 2024

**January Exams:** Monday 13 January – Friday 17 January 2025

**Winter Term:** Monday 20 January – Friday 4 April 2025

**WT Reading Week:** Monday 24 February – Friday 28 February 2025

**Spring Term:** Tuesday 6 May – Friday 20 June 2025

For 12-month master's students and students in Year 2 of a 24-month master's programme, Spring Term extends until the official end date of your programme (Sunday 28 September 2025).

The school will also be closed on English public holidays:

**Winter Break:** Monday 16 December 2024 – Friday 17 January 2025

**Spring Break:** Monday 7 April – Monday 5 May 2025

**May Bank Holiday:** Monday 7 May 2025

**Spring Bank Holiday:** Monday 26 May 2025

**Summer Bank Holiday:** Monday 25 August 2025



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## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC HISTORY

### INFORMATION FOR MSc ECONOMIC HISTORY (RESEARCH) STUDENTS, 2024-25

Welcome to the Department of Economic History. We hope that your studies prove both successful and enjoyable. These Notes contain most of the information you need on the MSc and the Department. These Notes, however, do not repeat or replace University regulations and the LSE [Calendar](#) is the authoritative source on School policy, procedures, and regulations.

The taught MSc in Economic History was initiated in 1964, and the MSc in Global History in 2000. In 2004 the MSc Economic History was divided into two programmes, the core MSc in Economic History and the MSc Economic History (Research), designed for entrants to our MPhil/PhD programme. In 2005-06 the department became part of the Erasmus Mundus Global Studies Programme, and in 2008-09 the MSc Political Economy of Late Development, taught jointly with the [Department of International Development](#) was launched. Finally, in 2022-23, the Department launched the MSc Financial History.

The combined MSc programme is the largest of its kind in Britain, and probably the world. According to Repec (<https://ideas.repec.org/top/top.his.html>) a collaboration to enhance the dissemination of research in Economics and related sciences, the Department is ranked third in the world in business, economic and financial history and number one in Europe.

The Department is one of the leading global centres for economic history and, since the foundation of LSE, has been at the forefront in economic history teaching and research. Our MSc students are a part of this tradition of excellence.

Professor Olivier Accominotti  
MSc Programmes Director

## **SECTION 1:**

### **The Department/Programme:**

#### **1. MSc (Research) Programme: Statement of Aims**

The programme has two primary aims. First, it provides a broad training in social science research methods and their application to historical study, including the role of theory, evaluation, analysis and explanation, quantitative techniques and computing, the use of sources, and presentational skills. This training responds to labour market requirements for enhanced research skills and is designed to be valuable to individuals proceeding to research degrees and university teaching, as well as to those who intend to pursue careers in public service, industry, commerce, the media, law, and any other occupations that require intellectual judgement, the ability to assess and analyse data and ideas, and communication skills.

Secondly, it provides a coherent and structured programme of advanced studies in economic history. This is designed for students who read economic history, economics, or a related discipline at undergraduate level, and for those whose interests have moved towards economic history or economics. The programme aims also to meet the needs of mid-career professionals who join the course partly as a means of refreshing their research skills and understanding of the subject. All of the MSc courses are an important part of the training for students working for the M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees. The MSc Economic History (Research) is intended for those planning to proceed to MPhil/PhD status, and the required methodology courses and longer dissertation reflect this focus on research training.

#### **2. Staff**

Photographs of all teaching staff in the Department are displayed on our [website](#).

**Professor Olivier Accominotti,**  
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Research Interests: 19th and 20th century monetary and financial history; international financial instability during the Great Depression; financial crises and contagion.

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All members of the Department hold office hours each week and display the times of these on their office doors and on the Departmental website. Where office hours conflict with your schedule, you should email the relevant member of faculty to arrange an alternative appointment time.

### 3. Research Staff and Academic Visitors

The department regularly hosts distinguished academics from other institutions. Details change from term to term, check website for up-to-date information

<https://www.lse.ac.uk/Economic-History/People>

#### **4. Academic Mentors, MSc Programmes Director and MSc Programmes Officer**

Each student will be allocated an Academic Mentor (also referred to as a Dissertation Supervisor) from within the department. Your Academic Mentor is your most important link with the Department and the School, and **it is important that you establish contact in the early days of term and maintain a close working relationship throughout your studies.**

You will work closely together in the planning and production of your dissertation, as well as advising on the MSc regulations, administrative matters generally, and the prospects of proceeding to the MPhil/PhD degree etc. Your Academic Mentor may be able to offer advice if your work is affected by illness, financial difficulties or other crises, and you should keep them informed of any disruptions to your studies. They will also be your first contact with the School after you leave LSE.

**If the office hours of your Academic Mentor clash with your teaching, you should let them know and make appointments to meet at regular intervals, ideally at least twice each term.**

**It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that they meet regularly with their Academic Mentor and meet the deadlines of their dissertation progression.**

The **MSc Programmes Director**, Professor Accominotti, is responsible for developing the structure and content of our MSc programmes, is the academic lead on the programme for current students, as well as acting as a liaison with other departments.

The **MSc Programmes Officer**, Oli Harrison, is responsible for programme administration and the pastoral welfare of current students. Oli is the administrative lead on programme delivery and is your first point of contact for any administrative questions or requests.

If you are unable to resolve any matter satisfactorily with your Academic Mentor, you can discuss it with either Oli Harrison or Professor Accominotti. Please contact Oli Harrison in the first instance.

#### **5. MPhil/PhD in Economic History**

The Department is the largest provider of research training in economic history in the UK, and one of the largest in the world: in recent years there have been 30 or more full-time registered MPhil/PhD students at any one time. More than 60 students completed PhDs in 2009-2018, many of whom will go on to become academics. A Masters' degree (with "merit" overall and at least 65% in the dissertation) is a pre-requisite for MPhil registration and in every year several MSc students go on to research degrees at LSE and elsewhere. Research students at LSE register initially for the MPhil. and are upgraded to PhD registration, subject to satisfactory progress.

If you are interested in the MPhil/PhD, your academic adviser can offer advice and information, as can Professor Sara Horrell, Research Student Tutor.

It is possible to enter the MPhil/PhD programme from any of the department's master's degrees, and many students follow this pathway. Students who have not taken some research training courses, such as EH402 or EH426, are likely to be required to take one in their first year of research.

## 6. Course Selection and Timetables

### 6.1 Programme structure and what you need to do

The **MSc Economic History (Research)** is intended for those taking an MSc as preparation for a research degree (MPhil/PhD). It has several elements which total 5 units.

All students begin with two compulsory core courses, one in qualitative methodology and historiography (EH401), and one in research design and quantitative methods (EH402 / EH426A / EH427):

You will then choose optional courses to the value of 2.0 units.

The final element is a 15,000-word dissertation which is weighted at 2.0 units.

#### PAPER 1

Compulsory Core Course (0.5):

- EH401 Historical Analysis of Economic Change

AND ONE FROM

Compulsory Core Course (0.5):

- EH402 Quantitative Analysis in Economic History I
- EH426A Quantitative Analysis in Economic History II
- EH427 Topics in Quantitative Analysis in Economic History

#### PAPER 2 (ONE FROM)

Compulsory Semi-Core Course (1.0):

- EH482 The Origins of the World Economy: Europe and Asia, 1000-1800
- EH483 The Development and Integration of the World Economy in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries
- EC465 Economic Growth, Development, and Capitalism in Historical Perspective

#### PAPER 3

- Courses to the value of 1.0 unit from a course not taken under Paper 2 or from listed courses available.

#### PAPER 4&5

Compulsory Core Course (2.0):

- EH496 Research Dissertation A: Contextualisation, Theory and Research Design
- EH497 Research Dissertation B: Implementation, Analysis and Contribution

For full details of the 2024-25 syllabus see the programme regulations:

<https://www.lse.ac.uk/resources/calendar2024-2025/programmeRegulations/taughtMasters/2024/MScEconomicHistoryResearch.htm>

**Please note that certain options may not be technically available due to timetable clashes with other core courses.**

You will need to select all of your courses in [LSE For You](#) in September for both Autumn and Winter Terms.

Course selection will be approved by the Department during Week 1 of Autumn Term (**see diagram below, p.10**). Should there be any reason why your course choices cannot be approved, you will be contacted by email. Please check that your courses have been approved.

Take care to ensure that your selected courses meet your interests, needs and abilities. Be aware that EH426 and EH427 require prior training in quantitative methods, and you should review the course information on Moodle to ensure you have the appropriate level of knowledge.

### *Economic History Options*

Details of the content and format of all graduate courses at LSE are available online [here](#). Economic History options are identified by the EH4XX code. Further detailed information regarding course selection can be found [here](#).

Appendix I lists courses with brief details of contents.

### *Non-Economic History options*

In exceptional cases it may be possible for MSc Economic History (Research) candidates to take a course that is not listed in the syllabus. In such cases you should take particular care to ensure that you are opting for a course within your capabilities.

### *Balance of courses*

We advise that you take an equal balance of courses in both Autumn and Winter Terms.

### *Part Time students*

Part time students should take 2.0 units in Y1 and must take at least two courses from Paper 1 in Y1.

### 6.2 When to select your courses

Course selection will open for browsing on Monday 23 September and will open for course selection from 10am on Thursday 26 September. Course selection, including your choice of dissertation, should be made by 8am on Monday 30 September. First offers for most courses will go out the same day.

Please note that other Departments may have alternative deadlines for course selection.

You will be able to make changes to Winter Term half-unit courses from 10am Monday 20 January. More details are available on the [course selection webpages](#).

### 6.3 How to select your courses

Visit [Finding Courses](#) to access the tools and information to help you decide which courses you want to take this academic year. The LSE Course Finder tool can help you choose which courses to take within your programme regulations. Course Finder allows you to browse available courses by unit value, keyword, department and assessment type. You can build a shortlist of courses and compare the lecture timetables for that shortlist. Course Finder is usually available from late August. You may also wish to look at course content on Moodle and check the teaching timetable to detect potential clashes. Some departments have controlled access courses which means that places are limited. Make sure that you identify a few back-up courses in case your first choices are not available.

Reading Week will be clearly stated in the respective course guide, please check carefully before making your course selections. The [LSE Calendar](#) is the place to check for programme regulations, detailing which courses you are permitted to take.

You will need to select your courses on [LSE For You](#) once the system opens. Guidance on how to do this can be found [here](#). Providing your selected courses are ready in Moodle, you should be automatically enrolled on their Moodle pages a few hours after selecting your courses on LSE For You. You should ensure you attend any department course selection meetings and seek the advice of your Academic Mentor. Should you have any questions about a particular course, the most efficient strategy is to put them to the course convenor. If you have any questions about the programme itself, or need advice on the Course Selection process, you can contact Oli at [o.harrison1@lse.ac.uk](mailto:o.harrison1@lse.ac.uk).

#### 6.4 Controlled access courses

The MSc Economic History is taught via small groups. All Department of Economic History courses (courses with an EH4XX code) are subject to the controlled access procedure. This is designed to ensure that seminar groups allow for discussions between academics and students. To maximise your chances of being enrolled onto the courses you are interested in, it is imperative that you select your courses by the deadline (see guidance above at 6.2, and the diagram below, p. 10).

Postgraduate Economic History students have priority access to EH4XX courses. In most cases, this means that you will be sent an offer on Monday 30 September but, in some instances where demand is high, places will be allocated based on your supplied statement.

Once an offer has been made to you, you have 48 hours to accept it, after which your offer will time out. Once you accept your offer, you will automatically be assigned to the course Moodle page and the course will appear on your personal timetable.

Please note, the course allocation procedure may differ in other departments.

#### 6.5 Seminar sign-up and timetables

Where a course is taught in more than one seminar group or in larger lecture groups, you will also be required to enrol in seminar groups. This is done through the Seminar Sign-up facility on LSE For You. Seminar sign-up will open after the first round of offers has been sent.

Our performance monitoring and attendance record systems are based on the group to which you have signed-up. Failure to attend your group may, therefore, impact negatively on your performance record. It may also impact on the terms of your visa.

Considerable efforts have been made to avoid overlap of courses but occasionally a clash may be unavoidable due to the complex and interdisciplinary nature of this programme. We regret that no changes to the LSE timetable are possible at this stage, and it is your responsibility to avoid any clashes. When selecting your courses, please keep an eye on the timetables for Winter term to ensure you do not have any clashes.

Once you have successfully registered for your courses and seminars in LSE For You, your personal timetable will be automatically updated. Once course selections have been approved, they cannot be changed online. If you want to make late course changes after the selection deadline of 5pm Friday 11 October, you must request permission in writing from Oli Harrison by 5pm Friday 18 October. Late course changes will only be approved in exceptional circumstances. Absolutely no course changes to full units or Autumn Term courses are possible after the given deadline above.

Please be aware that this process may differ in other departments.

#### 6.6 Auditing courses

Some LSE courses allow for students to 'audit'. This is an informal arrangement where you join the lectures but do not go to classes or take the assessments. These courses do not appear in your course selections or timetable and will not appear on your transcript. Some students choose to audit courses to expand their knowledge in other areas. If you do choose to audit a course, you should first check that your timetable will allow you to join the lectures. If so, contact the relevant course convenor and ask for permission to audit their course. You must not attend any classes for courses you are auditing. This is particularly important for in-person classes where social

distancing and track and trace policies need to be in place to maintain the safety of the LSE community.

#### 6.7 Winter Term course selection

Course selection will re-open at the start of Winter Term. You are able to change your Winter Term courses during the first two weeks of Winter Term provided the newly chosen half-unit courses are not oversubscribed. Late course changes are not permitted in Winter Term once course selection has closed. We strongly advise that you do not change more than one half-unit during this period.

#### 6.8 Getting help

Please make every effort to attend your programme induction during Welcome Week where we will discuss this process in more detail. Oli Harrison ([o.harrison1@lse.ac.uk](mailto:o.harrison1@lse.ac.uk)) is your first point of contact for course selection queries, but you should also stay in touch with your Academic Mentor.

**The sequence of steps involved in course selection and seminar sign-up are set out in the diagram below**

#### BY 08.00 MONDAY WEEK 1 COURSE SELECTION

- **All course selections, including your choice of dissertation, must be made electronically on [LSE for You](#) by 08.00 on Monday of Week 1 (30 September). To login to LSE for You, you need your LSE email ID and password.**
- Use the '**student statement**' section in LfY to provide a **statement about your choices** when selecting your courses. We use this to allocate places on any over-subscribed courses. If you do not enter a statement, we will assume you have no specific preference for any of your courses.
- Your statement should **RANK** your OPTIONAL courses (#1 being most preferred). It should also tell us **WHY** you want to take each optional course. Please give the rank, the code and your reasoning as follows, e.g.:  
"1. EH4XX – I aim to write my dissertation about the standard of living so this course is vital to my research.  
2. EH4XX – I have a strong interest in this region and would like to study it in depth.  
3. EH4XX – I see this course as complementing my future career plans as I intend to work in development."

#### BY 08.00 WEDNESDAY WEEK 1 ACCEPTING PLACES ON COURSES

- On Monday of Week 1 (30 September), **offers** for places on courses will be sent out by email.
- If a course is oversubscribed, offers may be delayed while we allocate spaces.
- Offers must be accepted using LfY within 48 hours. Failure to do so may result in losing your offer of a place on a particular course if it is oversubscribed. We strongly advise that you accept a place on a course as soon as you receive it.
- If we are not able to offer you a place on your preferred course, we will put you on a waiting list and alert you by email if one does become available. We will also inform you about courses with available space so you can choose an alternative.

#### FROM THURSDAY WEEK 1 SEMINAR SIGN-UP

- Most of your courses are taught through seminars of around 15 students. Large courses will offer seminars taught at different times during the week. You need to select **one** seminar group for each course at the start of term. You **must** attend that seminar for the rest of the year.
- You can only sign-up for a seminar **once you have accepted an offer** for that course.
- To sign up, use the **Seminar Sign-Up facility on [LSE For You](#)** (NOT on Moodle). Seminar sign-up will open on Thursday of Week 1 (3 October)
- Make sure the seminar you choose **does not clash** with teaching on the other courses you are taking – including those in Winter Term.
- For courses taught in the lecture w/ seminar format, seminars will start in Week 2 of the Autumn Term or Winter Term respectively.

## 7. Coursework

You should attend regularly whatever meetings are arranged for your courses, including those for the Dissertation. The length of meetings, the form they take, and the amount of written work required, varies from course to course. Some courses include essays or an extended essay as part of the formal examination requirements.

Details of course-assessment requirements and procedures, dates for submission, length of essays etc. are available on Moodle, and may be revised each academic year as courses develop. There are penalties for lateness and overlong submissions (which may differ from those applicable to the dissertation), so be sure you know exactly what is expected. Students' grades, attendance, and seminar contributions are monitored by the MSc Programme Director who informs academic mentors if this indicates cause for concern.

Teaching takes a variety of forms, including workshops and formal lectures. But the greater part of post-graduate coursework at LSE (as elsewhere) is organised in seminars which are less structured than much first-degree teaching and to which you are expected to contribute. Meetings start at five minutes past the hour and end at five minutes to the hour. Please make every effort to be present in good time. If you know you will miss a meeting for medical or other reasons, you should inform your teachers. Prolonged absences should be reported to your Academic Mentor as well.

## 8. Submission of essays

You are required to submit both formative and summative essays through Moodle ensuring that the first page of your essay is the completed departmental cover sheet (available on the Masters Information page: <https://moodle.lse.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=2919>).

Formative coursework, or summative coursework that counts for less than 20% of your final mark is not anonymised, and you should put your name on the cover sheet.

Summative essays that count for more than 20% of your final marks, summative exams, and dissertations are all anonymised and you should put your candidate number on the cover sheet.

Your name, student ID, or candidate number should not be included anywhere other than the cover sheet. Failure to comply with this rule will mean that you have breached the anonymity policy and we cannot accept responsibility for examiners or moderators knowing your identity.

In principle, you should be able to upload work to Moodle from anywhere in the world. However, if you are travelling somewhere where bandwidth is slow (or non-existent), it is your responsibility to make alternative arrangements for submission should it be necessary – lack of internet provision will not be accepted as a valid reason for mitigating circumstances.



## 9. Feedback

You can expect to receive a high level of feedback during your time in the Department. Your course lecturers and seminar leaders are all available for you to discuss your work individually during their weekly office hours or by appointment at other times. Please try and take on board any comments you receive.

## 10. The Dissertation

The dissertation should not exceed 15,000 words, excluding short footnotes (up to 50 words), references, tables, abstract, and bibliography. Students should agree on their subjects with their academic adviser as early as possible; a dissertation title and outline are required by Week 0 of the Winter Term.

There are several formal teaching seminars related to the Dissertation which you are expected to attend.

The core courses, EH401, and your choice of EH402, EH426 or EH427, are closely integrated into the formulation of the dissertation topic and aim to provide students with the theoretical knowledge and methodological tools that are expected to inform the research dissertation. The quantitative course selected (EH402, EH426 or EH427) will introduce students to broad issues in research design as well as problems of analysing and interpreting quantitative historical evidence.

Most students find the dissertation the most challenging, and most rewarding, element in the MSc programme. It allows you to conduct, and present, your own research on a topic you find particularly interesting. Normally you select (with your academic adviser) a topic from within the subject area covered in one of your courses.

In selecting a dissertation topic you should avoid over-ambitious dissertations and topics that require extensive travel outside London to consult sources. In particular avoid dissertations with little historical content, a shortcoming that examiners particularly dislike. Remember that research-track dissertations are expected by examiners to demonstrate evidence of originality in one or more of the following

areas: the questions that you ask, the sources that you use, or your analysis.

The dissertation is equivalent to two full modules and will be awarded two separate percentage marks. The first of these marks will be based on the formulation of the dissertation topic, its historical and historiographical context (including critical literature survey), its creativity and originality, and overall presentation. The second mark will relate to the student's research design and discussion of methods, their collection and evaluation of primary and secondary sources, and the quality of analysis of evidence and interpretation.

To try to ensure parity of treatment amongst students, academic mentors abide by the following guidelines in supervising dissertations: considerable advice is given at the initial stages of selecting a topic, locating sources, constructing a bibliography etc. After that the student should work without frequent or detailed supervision until he/she has finished a full or partial first draft. Provided that this is done by the end of Week 7 of Spring Term, the academic mentor will provide extensive and detailed comment. After this stage no further extensive and detailed assistance is given although academic mentors are free to help with specific problems. Detailed notes on 'Writing the MSc Dissertation' will be distributed during the taught seminars in Autumn Term.

## **11. The MSc (Research) Workshop**

The Workshop is a key component of the programme. It is held in Week 7 of the Spring Term (you will be informed of the precise date later in the session), and attendance is compulsory. The importance of the Workshop derives from the opportunity it provides to obtain feedback on the results of your research (from teachers and fellow students) and the deadline that it sets for producing a preliminary draft of the dissertation. By this stage in the programme, you will already have formulated the research topic, will have completed a large amount of background reading (theoretical as well as substantive), will have gathered a substantial volume of evidence, and be well on the way to a substantial first draft with, ideally, at least the first chapter completed.

A week before the Workshop you provide a one-page outline of your dissertation for general distribution and provide your academic adviser with your work to-date.

## 12. Examination Arrangements

Unless otherwise stated, half-unit courses taught in Autumn Term are examined in the January Exams Period. Exams for all other courses taught in the Department take place in Spring Term. Provisional examination results are normally available after the Examiners' Meeting which takes place in October.

**No results are disclosed before the Examiners' Meeting.**

All exam scripts, dissertations and coursework are marked anonymously by an internal examiner whose decisions are then reviewed by a second moderator. External (non-LSE) examiners participate at all stages of the examining process including vetting examination questions, checking the grading of exam scripts, dissertations, and course-assessment work – as is usual in all UK universities.

Full details of the examination marking process are available on Moodle.

### Candidate Numbers

Your candidate number is a unique five-digit number that ensures that your work is marked anonymously. It is different to your student number and changes every year. Candidate numbers can be accessed in early Autumn Term in LSE for You.

### Exam Timetables

Course by course exam timetables will be available online at [LSE Exams](#). For January exams the timetable is usually available towards the end of Autumn Term, for spring exams it is usually available towards the end of Winter Term. Closer to each exam season you will also be given access to a personal exam timetable in LSE for You which shows your room and seat number.

### Exam Procedures

Anybody taking exams at LSE must read the Exam Procedures for Candidates. It contains all the information you need to know and is updated each year. The document is less than fifteen pages and covers topics ranging from candidate numbers, permitted materials and e-exams to what to do if things go wrong. The up-to-date copy can be found at: <https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/services/assessment-and-results/exams>

### Central Exam Adjustments

Central Exam Adjustments (CEAs) can be made if you have a documented medical, physical or mental health condition and/or a specific learning difficulty such as dyslexia or dyspraxia. The purpose of CEAs is to provide an environment that gives all students an equal opportunity in exams. These adjustments are confidential and will not be listed on your degree certificate or transcript. In most cases you should apply for CEAs as part of getting your [My Adjustments](#) in place. However, there is a different process for applying for CEAs for short-term, unexpected, conditions. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/CEA](http://lse.ac.uk/CEA).

### Deferral Policy

If you feel you require more time to submit the work than an extension would normally allow, or the assessment in question has a static deadline e.g., an exam or take-home assessment released on a specific date, you should consider requesting a deferral. You must submit the deferral form and evidence in advance of the submission deadline or starting time of an exam. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/deferral](http://lse.ac.uk/deferral).

### Extension Policy

If you have difficulties in the lead up to an assessment deadline but think you may be able to successfully submit if you have extra time, you can seek an extension request. You must make this request before the deadline has taken place and you will need

permission from the Chair of your Sub-Board of Examiners to do this. For more information visit: [lse.ac.uk/extensionpolicy](https://lse.ac.uk/extensionpolicy).

### Exceptional Circumstances

You should submit an Exceptional Circumstances Form and corroborating evidence to the Student Services Centre if there are any circumstances which may have affected your performance. These could include (but are not limited to):

- **missing an assessment which you did not defer, or submitting an assessment late and incurring penalties**
- **experiencing difficulties which could have affected your academic performance in an exam or coursework**
- **adjustments such as CEAs, My Adjustments or deadline extensions that you feel were insufficient to compensate for the impact of your circumstances**
- **a late diagnosis of a condition meaning that you could not apply for adjustments until after you had completed some or all assessments**

The deadline to submit ECs is seven days after your final assessment in the academic year. Submitting an Exceptional Circumstances Form is the only way for you to alert the Sub-Board of Examiners to the circumstances under which you completed the assessment or exam. For more information visit

[lse.ac.uk/exceptionalcircumstances](https://lse.ac.uk/exceptionalcircumstances)

### Fit to Sit Policy

By entering an exam room, or submitting an assessment, LSE considers that you have declared yourself fit enough to do so. If you have experienced disruption to your studies (illness, injury or personal difficulties for example) you must think carefully about whether you should attempt the assessment or whether you should consider requesting an extension or deferring the assessment. Requests for an extension or

deferral must be made in advance of the assessment deadline.

## **13. Results and classification**

### Results

Provisional and final results are released through LSE for You. Final results are available once the relevant School Board of Examiners has ratified them. Provisional results are available for students taking January exams and for 12 month master's students.

Results are not released to students that have outstanding debts to the School. For more information on how and when results are released visit [lse.ac.uk/results](https://lse.ac.uk/results)

If you need to take a deferred or resit assessment, more information about the resit period can be found at [lse.ac.uk/re-entry](https://lse.ac.uk/re-entry)

### Classification Schemes

Degrees are awarded according to the classification scheme. These schemes are applied by the Boards of Examiners when they meet to ratify your results. You can find the classification for taught postgraduate programmes schemes at [lse.ac.uk/calendar](https://lse.ac.uk/calendar)

### Transcripts

Continuing students can request intermediate transcripts at the Student Services Centre immediately after ratified results have been published. Final transcripts are made available electronically through Digitary which allows them to be easily shared.

For more information about final transcripts please visit [lse.ac.uk/transcripts](https://lse.ac.uk/transcripts).

### Degree Certificate

Depending on when you are awarded your degree, you may have the opportunity to collect your certificate at graduation. Any certificates that are not collected are posted to the permanent home address we have on record. For more information please visit [lse.ac.uk/degrecertificates](https://lse.ac.uk/degrecertificates).

## 14. Systems and online resources

Need IT help?

- Visit the Tech Centre on the first floor of the library
- Email [tech.support@lse.ac.uk](mailto:tech.support@lse.ac.uk)
- Call 020 7107 5000

The Tech Centre is open seven days a week during term time and offers a range of services including a laptop surgery. For further information visit [info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/dts](https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/dts)

“[LSE For You](#)” is a web portal which gives you access to a range of services and should not be confused with Moodle.

LSE For you allows you to:

- View and update your term time (contact) and home (permanent) address
- Reset your IT password
- Access your candidate number
- View your results
- Select your courses

Please keep your personal details up-to-date.

### Student Hub

The Student Hub is LSE’s app, designed to help you navigate your day-to-day life at LSE. With the Student Hub, you can:

- view your timetable and upcoming deadlines,
- find your way around with the campus map
- follow your department, LSE events, careers, the Students’ Union and more to keep up-to-date with news and events from around LSE
- book appointments with academics (office hours) or support services

Download the Student Hub on iOS or Android, or you can access the web app at [Studenthub.lse.ac.uk](https://Studenthub.lse.ac.uk)

### Moodle

Moodle is LSE’s virtual learning environment.

The majority of taught programmes have a course on Moodle, the online learning platform used at LSE. Moodle courses contain essential resources such as lecture slides, lecture recordings and reading lists. Moodle also enables activities such as quizzes and discussion forums and allows for online assignment submission, marking and feedback. How Moodle is used is determined by the course convenor and so this may vary from course to course. LSE also provides a Moodle Archive service which provides teachers and students with a snapshot of previous year’s courses.

As well as information on courses, you can find a dissertation archive:

<https://moodle.lse.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=2924> and a page specifically for Masters students:  
<https://moodle.lse.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=2919>

You can access Moodle at [moodle.lse.ac.uk](https://moodle.lse.ac.uk)

### Reset your IT password

You can reset your own IT password at the [LSE Password Website](#)

### Email

LSE will use your LSE email address to communicate with you so check it regularly. Microsoft Outlook is available on all public PCs. You can also access your email off campus using webmail ([mail.lse.ac.uk](mailto:mail.lse.ac.uk)) or on the move via the outlook app. For help setting up email on your device search “LSE mobile email setup”.

### Training and Development System

The Training and Development System allows you to book a place on many of the personal development opportunities offered around LSE.

You can access the Training and Development System at [apps.lse.ac.uk/training-system](https://apps.lse.ac.uk/training-system) and login using your LSE username and password.

### Information Security Awareness Training

The LSE Cyber Security Awareness Training can be self-enrolled at Moodle. We strongly advise you to complete the training which equips you with the skills to spot phishing emails, keep your data and devices safe, and protect your privacy.

More tips are available at [lse.ac.uk/cyber](https://lse.ac.uk/cyber)

### Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

To add an extra layer of security for your account and data, please set up Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) via [lse.ac.uk/mfa](https://lse.ac.uk/mfa)

## **15. Economic History student common room**

There is a common room for all taught Economic History students (undergraduates as well as Masters’) located on the Ground Floor of Sardinia House (SAR G.12). You can access the common room by swiping your student ID card outside the main door. Please do not leave the door unlocked/open while you are inside as members of the public often pass through this part of the building on the way to the dentist on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor.

Within the common room there is also a small committee room available for quiet or group study which can be booked on a first-come, first-served basis in two-hour slots. The booking form is available on Moodle: <https://moodle.lse.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=2919>

## **16. Student Representation**

### Staff-Student Liaison Committees

Student-Staff Liaison Committees (SSLCs) are one of the most important bodies in the School. Their purpose is to create a forum for students to discuss their experiences, both in and outside of the classroom, with LSE staff. SSLCs are a shared, collaborative endeavour between Departments, the Students’ Union, central School Services, and, most importantly, students themselves.

SSLCs are your chance to engage with LSE and enact change for the benefit of yourself, your cohort, and even future cohorts. Volunteer to represent your peers and take a leading role in the student body.

At the start of the year, you will be asked by your department if you would like to represent your programme on the SSLC as a Student Academic Representative.

More information, including access to minutes from SSLCs across the School, and other ways you can use your voice, can be found online at [info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/part-of-lse/student-voice](http://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/part-of-lse/student-voice)

However, any problems or dissatisfactions can be raised at any time, with your Academic Mentor, with Professor Accominotti, or Oli Harrison.

### Student Education Panel

The Student Education Panel is an opportunity for you to enhance education at LSE and gain insight into how the university works.

50 Student Education Panellists meet twice per term to consider a specific education-related topic, question or proposal. They contribute to these discussions by reflecting on their personal experiences and perspectives, not as a representative of their peers. In recognition of their contributions, and to enable a wide range of students to participate, panellists receive a voucher for every meeting they participate in.

Applications to become a panellist will open in Autumn Term and you can find out more at [lse.ac.uk/studenteducationpanel](http://lse.ac.uk/studenteducationpanel)

### Change Makers

Change Makers is an opportunity for you to instigate positive changes at LSE through independent research.

You are invited to propose a research project (independently, as a pair or as a group) about an aspect of student experience at LSE. This can be a topic you identify, or one that's been proposed by staff.

Approximately 25 proposals will be selected to receive 80 hours of funding, full academic supervision, and the opportunity

to present your findings and recommendations directly to LSE leaders.

Applications to become a Change Maker will open in Autumn Term and you can find out more at [lse.ac.uk/changemakers](http://lse.ac.uk/changemakers)

## **17. Paid employment while taking the MSc**

To register as a part-time student it is necessary to have regular employment. Students taking the MSc full-time over one year, however, are unlikely to be able to take on much paid employment without detriment to their academic progress. If you are contemplating paid employment, consult your academic adviser first. Most students find they need all the time available to complete coursework – into September – and you should keep this in mind when contemplating full-time employment, or travel, in July and August.

## 18. Assessment Misconduct

All summative assessments that you submit to the School are subject to the School's Regulations on Assessment Offences. You are expected to have read and acknowledged these regulations before you submit your work to the School. If you are found to have committed an assessment offence, such as plagiarism, exam misconduct, collusion, contract cheating or using Artificial Intelligence software, you could be expelled from the School. For more information and support regarding the School's expected standards of academic integrity visit

[lse.ac.uk/assessmentdiscipline](https://lse.ac.uk/assessmentdiscipline)

When you submit your summative (assessments that count towards your mark in a course) assessments to the School you are expected to have read and understood the following academic integrity statement:

By submitting work to the School you confirm you will abide by and uphold the School's Code of Good Practice, Ethics Code and academic integrity as outlined in the School's Regulations on Assessment Offences and Department guidance and you also confirm that:

- the work in this assessment is solely your own; *and*
- you have not conferred or colluded with anyone in producing this specific assessment\*; *and*
- you understand the use of AI tools to help with any part of your assessment is strictly prohibited unless some use is permitted as defined by the Department responsible for the assessment (see Departmental guidance); *and*
- where necessary, you have clearly cited and referenced the work of others appropriately to make clear which parts are your own work; *and*

- your submission does not re-use substantial/verbatim materials you have previously submitted to the School or elsewhere. To note, in some cases expanding on earlier formative of summative work may be permitted as defined by the Department responsible for the assessment (see Departmental guidance); *and*
- you understand the School has the right to ask you questions about the originality of your work if deemed necessary.

*\*It is acceptable to consult with LSE LIFE for general study skills questions but not questions specific to the content of a particular assessment.*

You can seek advice about the School's rules regarding academic integrity from the Library (visit [lse.ac.uk/library](https://lse.ac.uk/library)) and LSE LIFE (visit [lse.ac.uk/lse-life](https://lse.ac.uk/lse-life))

You should also ensure that you adhere to the School's Research and Ethics Policy and Procedures where appropriate when conducting research. Failure to obtain the necessary Ethics Approval for your research could result in your conduct being considered under the School's Research Misconduct Procedure. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/ethics](https://lse.ac.uk/ethics)

The use of Generative AI in coursework is permitted in the Economic History department. In all submissions in which you use Generative AI, you must cite its usage. Failing to cite the use of Generative AI is a form of academic misconduct. Simply copying and pasting an answer in whole from a Generative AI is considered academic misconduct. For all essays, you must complete and include the dept. AI disclosure form.



## **APPENDIX I**

### **Course Content 2024-25**

#### **EH401: Historical Analysis of Economic Change (0.5)**

The course provides an overview of the central themes and key theoretical questions in economic history and examines the ways in which economic historians collect, analyse and interpret evidence. Specific topics evolve to reflect recent research trends, but include a range of issues such as processes of economic development; culture and economic behaviour; the role of institutions; and welfare outcomes. The course approaches these topics by considering problems of knowledge and explanation in economic history, and introduces quantitative and qualitative approaches to obtaining, analysing, and interpreting evidence. Lectures pair conceptual and theoretical reviews with historical case studies illustrating applied research on these topics.

#### **EH402: Quantitative Analysis in Economic History I (0.5)**

This course is concerned with how economic historians have used quantitative methods and with how researchers design and structure a research project. In terms of quantitative methods the emphasis is on the applied and practical rather than the theoretical and will range from the use of simple summary descriptive statistics to multiple regression. The course is concerned with the problems of analysing and interpreting quantitative historical evidence. It will consider topics such as sampling and statistical distributions, correlation, simple and multiple regression, specification problems, hypothesis testing, panel data analysis and instrumental variables, although the content may vary slightly from year to year. The course will also provide students with training in using an econometrics software package. An important component of the course is the

deconstruction of historical articles that have used quantitative techniques.

#### **EH404: India and the World Economy (0.5)**

From the eighteenth century, the South Asia region played an important part in international transactions in goods, people, and money. The world economy, in turn, shaped potentials for economic growth in the region. The aim of the course is to impart an understanding of the global factors that shaped economic change in the South Asia region in the 18th through the early-20th century. It will also deal with the principal ways in which South Asia contributed to economic change in the rest of the world. The political context of globalization, especially imperialism and colonial policies, will be considered. The course will be divided into a set of topics, which together cover a large ground, but a selection from which will be discussed in the class. Lectures and seminars will centre on the readings assigned to each topic.

#### **EH409: Chinese Economic History: Culture, Institutions, and Economic Growth (0.5)**

The course provides a broad but selective survey of the root causes of economic development and economic growth in China. The course is based on cutting-edge research --- both articles and book chapters --- on a number of topics, including (1) Geography, (2) Institutions, (3) Culture, (4) Gender and Demography, (5) Human Capital, (6) Social Mobility, (7) Trade & Markets, (8) Environment & Disasters.

### **EH413: African Economic Development in Historical Perspective (0.5)**

Many of Africa's current economic challenges, from persistent poverty to the weakness of state institutions, have deep historical roots. This course provides an introduction to the economic history of sub-Saharan Africa since the early modern period. Its overall aim is to bring Africa and Africans into global economic history, allowing students to understand how Africans contributed to that history, as well as how global changes have influenced the patterns of African development.

Close attention is paid to the ways in which economic development is measured and assessed in different periods with the available data. Seminars address the diverse experiences of specific countries and regions in addition to broader trends.

### **EH421: Economic History of Colonialism (0.5)**

Debates about the effects of European colonial rule on the non-European world animated economic history scholarship since the 1850s when Karl Marx published essays on British rule in India in the New York Daily Tribune. The relationship between colonialism and economic development has an important place in a number of distinct literatures in economic history, including work on globalization, divergence, migration, global finance, environmental change, and the shaping of development policy after colonialism. The aim of the course is to introduce the key readings in these themes, build connections between the discourses, and lead students to an informed view of colonialism as a force in shaping the modern world.

### **EH426A: Quantitative Analysis in Economic History II (0.5)**

The course will provide an overview of quantitative approaches in economic history mainly using cross-section and panel data. The course will examine the use of quantitative techniques through critical discussion of their application in recent literature. Techniques discussed will include multiple regression analysis, regression diagnostics, instrumental variables, fixed and random effects, difference-in-difference analysis, regression discontinuity design, discrete choice models and limited dependent variables. The course is organised on a topic basis, with subjects chosen to illustrate particular theoretical, quantitative and methodological issues.

### **EH427: Topics in Quantitative Analysis in Economic History (0.5)**

This course will provide an overview of time series analysis in economic history. The methods studied will include filters, local projections, vector autoregressions, narrative identification, instrumental variables, natural experiments and more, combining theory, practical exercises and applications in the historiography.

### **EH429: History of Economics: Ideas, Policy and Performativity (0.5)**

The course aim is to understand how economics has been used to change the world. It brings together the long tradition of analysis of economics as a policy science with more recent ideas about the performativity of economics. It draws on the literatures of economic history, history of economics, political economy and sociology of accounting and finance, and philosophy of science to explore the aims and methods used by economists to influence, shape and direct the economy. The focus of study will be on particular episodes from 20th century history in which economics features as a technical art that translates ideas through policy into action (e.g. the transition from colonial to independent economies; the Soviet and Cuban revolutions; and the reconstruction of depressed and damaged economies).

### **EH431: Women in Economic History (0.5)**

This course will explore the role of women in economic history, as economic actors, labor market participants and early founders of the discipline. As such, it will take a broad look at the economic activity of women, as well as the structures and institutions that have governed socioeconomic aspects of women's lives, from employment to marriage to savings and retirement. This course will consider the economic history of women from the Renaissance to the recent past, looking at differences and similarities between Europe, the Americas, Africa and Asia. It will look at themes such as women and work, invisible labor, women as productive and reproductive entities under slavery, female slave owners, medicine and women, the gendering of professions, and property rights. It will examine, for example, the dowry bond market in Renaissance Florence, female land-ownership in pre-colonial Gambia and the so-called "mental load" that professional women face in

household management in the twenty-first century United States.

### **EH442: Labour Markets in Historical Perspective (0.5)**

This course explores a selection of topics related to the history of labour markets. The course is divided into four parts. The first part is an introduction to issues and concepts from economics and other social sciences relevant to understanding labour markets in the past. The second part of the course focuses on the role of human and physical capital in determining long-run patterns in wage levels, productivity, and the adoption of new technology and forms of organization. The third part of the course explores issues related to geographical mobility and economic development, with particular focus on international migration and the immigrant experience at the destination. The fourth and final part of the course address disparities in historical labour markets, with particular attention to differences in inequality and economic mobility over space and by gender and race. The course draws on findings from a range of historical contexts to illustrate how social scientists have used theories, methods, and evidence to understand labour market developments in the past, and in turn considers what these findings imply about the relevance of different social science approaches.

### **EH443: The History of Premodern Money (0.5)**

The course examines European monetary and financial policies up to the early eighteenth centuries. It takes students from the simple beginnings of European monetary history to the more complex arrangements that emerged toward the end of the early modern age. The course thus focuses on an age when the very parameters that shaped policies differed fundamentally from those of the present: For example, there were no currency borders, with money supply being essentially international, and small change was only weakly integrated with the larger units of its currency. The course will discuss and compare developments in the major European countries (England, Spain, Italy, France, and Germany). It emphasises both the many features shared by these countries and their often considerable differences, places monetary and financial policies in the context of more general economic policies and discusses how money and finance influenced the wider economy.

### **EH444: Population Dynamics and Economic Growth: A Historical Perspective (0.5)**

For millennia, population and the available resources in an economy were in careful Malthusian equilibrium with population growth preventing meaningful increases in income per capita. In the premodern era, many people died in childhood, waves of epidemic disease ravaged the population, and women gave birth to many children. This course explores how this equilibrium changed, first through changes in marriage patterns in early modern Europe and later through the demographic transition, falling mortality and fertility rates in the past 250 years, a pattern that has been or is being replicated all around the world.

The course is divided into three units. The first unit covers the premodern era, assessing the role of epidemics, famine, marriage patterns and fertility control on population dynamics. The second unit will explore the health transition, the vast improvements in health and decline in mortality since roughly the nineteenth century. We will track the health transition across different dimensions of health, discuss the causes of the health transition and consider the effect of the health transition on economic growth. The third unit will focus on the historical fertility decline, the shift from high birth rates to replacement level birth rates. We will explore theories of fertility decline, the historical evidence on the timing and speed of the fertility decline and the causes of fertility decline in Europe and other parts of the world.

In addition to these themes, the course also introduces the sources, methods and basic demographic indicators used to reconstruct population history. The focus of the course is mainly on historical Europe, but there will be some topics and weeks that bring in other regional or global perspectives.

**EH448: Craft, Human Capital and Innovation in Europe, 1400-1800 (0.5)**

This course explores how innovation occurs in product, process and technique within a preindustrial artisanal economy. In the three centuries before the industrial revolution, European manufacturing improved markedly. Buildings, clocks, clothing, furniture, art, books, glass, paper and a plethora of other products and industries all show advances in their quality, variety, price and availability. This course examines the nature of this 'Industrial Evolution'.

The course is divided into two parts. We examine the main mechanisms that have been identified to explain innovation and dissemination: apprenticeship and training; print and codified knowledge; the alliance of early science and craft; clustering, mobility and spill overs. We then explore in depth a set of industry case studies that we use to test the viability of these ideas in different contexts. Each week, the seminar will centre on a set of readings for each topic. The course aims to give students an understanding of the key historical explanations for innovation and the diffusion of ideas, and to connect these to an informed understanding of specific craft industries.

**EH463: The Long-Run Analysis of Firms and Industries (0.5)**

This course comparatively explores the history of strategies, business organisations and industries since the nineteenth century. Different approaches to analyse this evolution are discussed, as well as the history of thinking about management and organisational structure and how this affected history itself. Introductory lecture(s) set the scene, discuss key concepts and various economic approaches to analyse the evolution of organisations. Subsequently the course looks at the origins of legal forms of organisation - such as the corporation, the private limited liability company and the cooperative - at the development of organisational structures, at the history of thinking about them, and at evolution of the industries.

**EH482: The Origins of the World Economy: Europe and Asia, 1000-1800 (1.0)**

This course surveys long-term processes of growth and development in pre-modern Europe and the wider world. Its central question is how and why economic performance differed between differently structured societies and across societies at the same point in time. The course raises fundamental questions about the nature of pre-industrial societies and economies, and it critically examines the numerous theories put forward to explain long-run economic change.

First, it asks if stagnation and poverty were normal conditions in pre-industrial societies and growth an aberration. Were societies 'Malthusian', and what kind of growth and development did they experience? Second, it addresses debates over the timing and causes of Western economic growth and its connections with the region's expanding political and military power. Was British or European success from the 17th century the result of unique social, institutional, or cultural features? It focuses on the developments of markets and their integration, on the development of technology and on the extension of manufactory in a fundamentally agrarian world. Third, it explores the range of alternative development paths within Europe and in other regions of the world, such as premodern China and India, considering both regions' internal economic dynamics and the impact of interactions with European powers as contact grew over the course of the early modern period.

The course is not chronologically arranged but rather along core topics relevant in economic history. These are presented and discussed in an explicitly comparative way. Themes include: population, agriculture, technology, manufacturing, labour regimes, economic effects of legal, political, and constitutional structures; political economy;

trade and market integration, money, finances and commercial institutions, and the causes and effects of the European expansion overseas.

**EH483: The Development and Integration of the World Economy in the 19th and 20th Centuries (1.0)**

This course aims to provide an overview of the development and integration of the world economy from 1800 to the present, giving an understanding of the origins of the challenges we face in the 21st century. The course raises fundamental questions about the sources of the unprecedented levels of economic growth in the last two centuries and the past and present challenges to economic development that have led to sharp divergences in income between countries and regions. The course explores the economic history at a global level, exploring developments in the western world as well as in Latin America, East and Southeast Asia, and Africa. Topics discussed will include fundamental transformations in economic experience, such as income and inequality, environmental change and the rise of population; sources of progress, such as technology, science, fiscal development; and explanations for divergent outcomes, for example human capital, economic policy, and management.

**EH496: Research Dissertation A:  
Contextualisation, Theory and Research  
Design (1.0)**

The dissertation must draw upon the research training provided through the core courses for the MSc (Research) and the generic courses taken by the student and present the results of an original enquiry into a carefully defined problem. Students are expected to show an ability to draw on relevant social scientific concepts, an understanding of the advanced literature in one or more areas of economic history, and of the nature of historical explanation and analysis. Where appropriate, students are also expected to show the ability to use relevant quantitative techniques for data collection and analysis. The dissertation is intended as preparation for a research degree. Students expecting to continue on the MPhil/PhD programme within the Department may write their MSc dissertation on a different topic from that on which they plan to research at MPhil/PhD level.

**EH497: Research Dissertation B:  
Implementation, Analysis and Contribution  
(1.0)**

The dissertation must draw upon the research training provided through the core courses for the MSc (Research) and the generic courses taken by the student and present the results of an original enquiry into a carefully defined problem. Students are expected to show an ability to draw on relevant social scientific concepts, an understanding of the advanced literature in one or more areas of economic history, and of the nature of historical explanation and analysis. Where appropriate, students are also expected to show the ability to use relevant quantitative techniques for data collection and analysis. The dissertation is intended as preparation for a research degree. Students expecting to continue on the MPhil/PhD programme within the Department may write their MSc

dissertation on a different topic from that on which they plan to research at MPhil/PhD level.

**EC465: Economic Growth, Development,  
and Capitalism in Historical Perspective  
(1.0)**

This course will provide a rigorous introduction to the analysis of long run economic growth and development. The focus is on acquiring the necessary empirical skills to engage in advanced analysis of economic evidence, and to develop an understanding of how historical evidence can shape and inform economic theory. Topics at the forefront of economics and economic history will be covered. These include political economy, technological change, economic growth, education, demography, Malthusian economics, the economics of law and property rights, gender, culture, social mobility, and inequality. The emphasis will be on combining theory and data to evaluate fundamental ideas in economics concerning the determinants of well-being, the origins of growth, and the dynamics of market economies.

Students must have completed Introductory Course in Mathematics and Statistics (EC400). In exceptional circumstances, students may take this course without EC400 provided they meet the necessary requirements and have received approval from the course conveners (via a face to face meeting), the MSc Economics Programme Director and their own Programme Director. Contact the Department of Economics for more information ([econ.msc@lse.ac.uk](mailto:econ.msc@lse.ac.uk)) regarding entry to this course.

## **APPENDIX II**

### **Penalties for late and over-length submissions; assessment guidelines**

Late Submission of dissertation. For each working day the submission is overdue a deduction of five percentage points will be made.

Length of dissertation. Details are given above ("11" and Appendix I). You must indicate the word count of your dissertation. Submissions in excess of the word limit by up to 20 per cent will be penalised 10 percentage points – eg: a mark of 62 becomes 52. Submissions between 20 and 30 per cent in excess of the limit will be penalised 30 percentage points – eg: a mark of 62 becomes 32. Submissions more than 30 per cent in excess of the word limit will receive no marks.

Assessment guidelines. In each of the Department's MSc programmes candidates' overall results are classified as either Distinction, Merit, Pass or Fail. Distinction is 70% and over, Merit is 60-69%, Pass is 50-59%. The guidelines for final assessment, used by the Board of Examiners in October, are complex to take account of variables such as half and full units, different weights accorded to the Dissertation, etc. Moreover the guidelines are not binding upon the Board of Examiners which may consider a candidate's performance as a whole and may take into account medical and other relevant circumstances affecting performance. In each programme a marginal fail mark in one component of the degree may be condoned.

Candidates who fail any part of the degree may, on re-entry, obtain a Pass, but cannot be awarded a Distinction or Merit.

Full details on examination and assessment are available in the School Calendar: <http://www.lse.ac.uk/resources/calendar/toughtMasters.htm>

Sub-Board local rules can be found here: <https://www.lse.ac.uk/resources/calendar/LocalRules/EH/EH-GenericRule.htm>

## **APPENDIX III**

### **Economic History Society Travel Grants**

The Society will consider applications for grants (normally up to £1000) to assist with travel expenses incurred in undertaking Dissertation Research. Details and application form available from <https://ehs.org.uk/award/research-fund-for-graduate-students/>

## **Appendix IV**

### **Department Prizes**

Every year the Department will award prizes for:

- Best overall performance across all programmes
- Best MSc Economic History (Research) Dissertation – The Hunt Prize
- Best non-Economic History (Research) Dissertation
- Two runner-up dissertation prizes



## APPENDIX V

### Useful Contacts

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#### In LSE:

Bookshop:

<https://linktr.ee/thegildedacornbookshop>

Careers Service:

<https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/careers>

Faith Centre: <https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/Faith-Centre>

Disability Support:

<https://www.lse.ac.uk/find-support/disability>

Health Centre:

<https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/estates-division/facilities-guide/medical-and-childcare-provision>

IT Support: <https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/dts>

Language Centre:

<https://www.lse.ac.uk/language-centre>

Library: <https://www.lse.ac.uk/library>

Nursery: <https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/financial-support/student-parents>

Student Services Centre:

<https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/student-services/student-services-centre>

Student Union: <https://www.lsesu.com/>

Timetables Office:

<https://info.lse.ac.uk/staff/divisions/academic-registrars-division/timetables/contact-us>

Volunteer Centre:

<https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/volunteer-centre>

## **SECTION 2:** **The School**

### **1. Key Information**

#### Online Pre-enrolment and Campus Enrolment

The majority of new students will be required to undertake a two-stage process: online pre-enrolment and campus enrolment. You will receive email notification when it is time to complete the pre-enrolment process for your programme. Campus enrolment takes place in-person and is where we will check your official documents and you will be issued with your LSE Card. It is very important that you attend campus enrolment and with the [correct original documents](#). Usually, you can re-register for subsequent years of study online, but sometimes we may need to see you in person again.

For more information visit:  
[lse.ac.uk/enrolment](https://lse.ac.uk/enrolment)

#### Your LSE Card

Your LSE card provides access to buildings and acts as your library card. It is important that you keep it safe and never share it with anybody else. If your LSE card is lost, stolen or damaged visit [lse.ac.uk/studentidcards](https://lse.ac.uk/studentidcards) to find out how to get a replacement.

#### Student Status Documentation

During your time at LSE you may need official documentation to prove you are studying with us. A certificate of registration provides proof to organisations, such as council tax offices, embassies, and banks, that you are enrolled as a current student at LSE. For more information about what a certificate of registration shows visit [lse.ac.uk/studentletters](https://lse.ac.uk/studentletters).

You can order a self-service Certificate of Enrolment which will be delivered immediately to your LSE email address in

PDF format. If this is insufficient for your needs, you can request a bespoke Certificate of Enrolment to be produced by Student Services Centre. **We will do our best to provide the information required, but this cannot be guaranteed.** Please bear in mind that during peak periods bespoke letters may take longer to produce.

For more information about both types of Certificates of Enrolment and how to order, please visit [lse.ac.uk/studentletters](https://lse.ac.uk/studentletters)

The Student Services Centre (SSC) also offers a range of other documents including Certificates of Course Selection and intermediate transcripts.

For more information about the types of documents available, how to request letters, and to access our Enquiry Form, please visit [lse.ac.uk/studentletters](https://lse.ac.uk/studentletters)

#### Student Advice and Engagement

The SSC has a dedicated Student Advice and Engagement Team that can provide advice on academic (particularly non-progression, interruption, withdrawal, regulations and exams), and immigration matters.

If you are not sure who to contact about a query or question, then the Advice and Engagement Team will be happy to help. You can contact the team via the enquiry form at [lse.ac.uk/studentadvice](https://lse.ac.uk/studentadvice).

#### Immigration Advice

The Advice and Engagement Team are the only team able to provide detailed immigration advice on UK visas for international and EU/EEA students at LSE. You can find a lot of detail on their webpages, which are updated each time the rules change. The best way to contact the team is to use the [visa advice query form](#) or to attend one of their drop-in sessions, or log-in to their dedicated visa advice live chat.

### What do I do if...

The SSC have developed a series of answers to common “What if...” questions. These cover a broad range of topics including, what to do if you’re unwell during an exam; become pregnant; change your name; or want to change degree programme. You can find these questions and answers at [lse.ac.uk/what-if](https://lse.ac.uk/what-if).

### My Adjustments

If you have a disability, long-term medical or mental health condition you are advised to apply for My Adjustments (MA) as soon possible. The earlier that you let the Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS) know about your condition, the earlier they can work with you to put appropriate support in place. Advisers in DMHS can potentially set up one-to-one learning support, mentoring and help you access assistive technology designed to remove barriers to studying.

For more detailed information about My Adjustments, and to apply for My Adjustments visit [lse.ac.uk/myadjustments](https://lse.ac.uk/myadjustments).

### Interruption

In certain circumstances you can take a year-long break in your studies (which we call an interruption) with approval from your academic department and the School. You are usually required to return at the start of either Autumn or Winter Term the following year as appropriate. Spring Term interruptions are not possible. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/interruptions](https://lse.ac.uk/interruptions).

### Programme Transfer

You can request to transfer from your current programme to another programme at the same level according to the School’s regulations. There are usually restrictions or conditions on transferring programmes, and sometimes transfers are not possible. All transfer requests require the approval of the new academic department you wish to

transfer into before being authorised by the School. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/programmeTransfers](https://lse.ac.uk/programmeTransfers)

### Change of Mode of Study

If you need to change from full-time to part-time study due to your circumstances, you will need to seek approval from your academic department.

Changing from full-time to part-time study is generally acceptable up until the end of Winter Term Course Selection, as long as your course selection can be amended according to programme regulations and in line with the teaching that you have already taken. Your fees will also be amended.

Changing from part-time to full-time may not be possible, especially if you need a visa to study at LSE, and requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/changemode](https://lse.ac.uk/changemode).

### Withdrawal

Withdrawing means that you are leaving your programme permanently. Before withdrawing you should consult with your Academic Mentor, and you may want to consider interruption instead so that you have some time to consider your options. For more information visit [lse.ac.uk/withdrawal](https://lse.ac.uk/withdrawal).

### Regulations

You should familiarise yourself with the LSE regulations, policies and procedures that cover many aspects of student life. Some of the regulations explain the organisation and conduct of your academic study. These include information about the structure of your programme, assessment requirements, how your final degree is calculated and what to do if you face exceptional circumstances.

Visit LSE Calendar at [lse.ac.uk/calendar](https://lse.ac.uk/calendar) for more information on:

- Appeals Regulations
- General Academic Regulations
- LSE Calendar
- Assessment offences including plagiarism
- Regulations for first degrees
- Regulations for taught master's degrees

You can find a full A-Z listing of all of LSE's policies and procedures online at [lse.ac.uk/policies](https://lse.ac.uk/policies).

## 2. Student Services Centre

The Student Services Centre (SSC) is located on the ground floor of the Old Building and can provide advice and information about:

- Support for new arrivals
- Student status documentation
- Course selection
- Immigration advice
- LSE ID cards
- TfL 18+ Student Oyster Photocards
- Exams and assessment
- Results and degree certificates
- Graduation

We are also a good point of contact to find out more about the support services available at LSE and we host specialist drop-in sessions. Visit [lse.ac.uk/ssc](https://lse.ac.uk/ssc) for the latest information about our services, opening times and drop-in sessions.

## 3. Quality Assurance

### Quality Assurance Strategy

LSE's approach to assuring the quality of our teaching is set out in the *Strategy for Managing Academic Standards and Quality* which can be found online at [lse.ac.uk/tqaro](https://lse.ac.uk/tqaro)

As an awarding body LSE must be in a position to assure the standards of its degrees. At the same time, we believe that the design of quality assurance should respect different departmental cultures and academic histories. The strategy sets out broad principles and processes for assuring academic standards and for enhancing the quality of educational provision. The overall framework includes devolved quality assurance arrangements for academic departments, with responsibility for the oversight and modification of existing provision resting with Departmental Teaching Committees.

The Teaching Quality Assurance and Review Office (TQARO) supports the activities of the Education Committee and several of its sub-committees, with further details available in the "Committees" section of the website at [lse.ac.uk/tqaro](https://lse.ac.uk/tqaro). TQARO also curates and publishes information about the School's academic offering, including programme regulations, course guides, and academic regulations in the School's Calendar. Queries relating to devolved quality assurance responsibilities, the work of the Education Committee or the process for the consideration of proposals for new courses and programmes of study should be sent to [ard.capis@lse.ac.uk](mailto:ard.capis@lse.ac.uk)

### Student Teaching Surveys

In both Autumn Term and Winter Term TQARO conducts course-level surveys to assess students' opinions of teaching.

Course survey scores are made available to teachers, Heads and Deputy Heads of Departments, Department Managers, the Director of the Eden Centre, the Vice President and Pro-Vice Chancellors for Education and Faculty Development. In addition to producing reports for individual teachers TQARO produce aggregated quantitative data for departments and School-wide bodies. Further information can be found online in the "Surveys" section of the website at [lse.ac.uk/tqaro](http://lse.ac.uk/tqaro)

TQARO also conducts annual programme-level surveys of undergraduate and taught master's programmes and supports LSE's participation in the National Student Survey in coordination with the Communications Division and academic departments. Queries relating to the delivery of teaching surveys at course- or programme-level should be sent to [tqarosurveys@lse.ac.uk](mailto:tqarosurveys@lse.ac.uk)

## 4. LSE Services to Support You with Your Studies and in Your Career

### LSE LIFE

LSE LIFE is the place to develop the skills you'll need to reach your goals at LSE, whether it concerns your academic work or other personal or professional pursuits. LSE LIFE is here to help you find your own ways to study and learn, think about where your studies might lead you, and make the most of your time at LSE. It is also the place to come to ask about the range of opportunities and services available across the School to help you achieve success, whatever 'success' means to you.

LSE LIFE offers:

- **Hands-on practical workshops** and **online resources** for effective reading, academic writing, critical thinking, managing your dissertation research, organising your time, and other key areas of university work.
- **Constructive conversations** and **Workshops** to learn ways to adapt and thrive in new or challenging situations, including developing skills for leadership; public speaking; connecting and collaborating with others; finding a healthy balance among study, work, rest, and fun; and thinking about life beyond university.
- **One-to-one appointments with LSE LIFE study advisers** for personalised advice on any aspect of your studies at LSE, or simply to talk through your ideas for research or other projects.
- **Specialist advice** in areas like CV writing, English language, finding and referencing academic sources, research ethics and data management, statistics, and more – offered on a one-to-one basis by colleagues and services across LSE.
- **A space to meet and work together** with students from other courses and departments.
- **Group visits and walks** to take advantage of what LSE and London have to offer.

Find out more at [lse.ac.uk/lse-life](https://lse.ac.uk/lse-life), check out workshop materials and other resources on Moodle or just drop by – LSE LIFE is on the ground floor of the Library, open Monday-Friday, 10am – 6pm.

### LSE Library

LSE Library is the major international library of the social sciences. The collections, both print and online, cover the discipline in the widest sense, and will support your studies and research.

The two main print book collections are:

- **The course collection**, located on the first floor, which holds multiple copies of essential books for your courses. Many of these titles are available online.
- **The main collection** is located across three floors, holding wider items for social sciences research.

You can use Library Search to find books and other materials for your studies via [lse.ac.uk/library](https://lse.ac.uk/library). Once you've found what you need, write down its location to help you find it in the Library. To borrow books, use your LSE card and the self-service machines on the ground floor. Taught students can borrow up to 30 books at any one time. You can renew your books online by logging into your Library account at [lse.ac.uk/library](https://lse.ac.uk/library). If you do not return books on time, you will be unable to borrow any more until your overdue item is returned or renewed. We do not charge fines for late returns.

Each department has a dedicated professional Librarian, a subject expert offering email support and in-person and online appointments to help you locate and access information resources on any topic. This support ranges from identifying key resources to support your studies to high-level systematic literature searching for researchers. They also provide expert help in managing references. The Academic

Support Librarian for Economic History is [Paul Horsler](#).

The Library is a focal point of the School and we are open seven days a week during term time and vacation and 24 hours daily from the beginning of the Winter Term until the end of the examination period. There are over 2,300 study spaces, including group study rooms, and extensive IT facilities, including over 500 PCs, laptop points, a laptop loan service, wireless Internet access via eduroam, and photocopying and printing facilities.

### Language Centre

Whether you are an international student looking for additional support with your English, interested in taking a Language Centre course, or want to learn or improve a language, the Language Centre can help.

If English is not your first language, there are plenty of ways you can improve and practise using the English language for your academic work. English for Academic Writing courses are available for any undergraduate or postgraduate student who does not have English as a first language and would like a weekly English language class to help with academic writing for coursework. You can find out more information on what is on offer and how to sign up at: [info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/lse-life/events/english-language-skills](https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/lse-life/events/english-language-skills)

You may be eligible to take a language, literature or linguistics course as part of your degree. As an LSE student you can also sign up for a non-degree language course at a discounted rate. As part of the [LSE Language Policy](#), if you are a UK-EU undergraduate and you do not have a GCSE Grade 4 (or equivalent) in a language that is not your mother tongue, you are eligible to take a course for free!

For more information visit:

[lse.ac.uk/languages](https://lse.ac.uk/languages)

### LSE Careers

LSE Careers is here to work with you throughout your LSE journey – from helping you to find part-time work and internships, to providing opportunities for you to explore different sectors and connect with employers and alumni.

Use LSE Careers to access a range of careers support, form events and job opportunities to resources and careers appointments. We also offer bespoke services for disabled students and PhD students.

There is lots of information and support at [lse.ac.uk/careers](https://lse.ac.uk/careers) including:

- Information about the services offered by LSE Careers and how to access them
- Support with career options and insight into employment sectors and recruitment processes
- CV, cover letter and application form advice and examples
- Details of what graduates have gone on to do

[LSE CareerHub](https://lse.ac.uk/careerhub), our online careers portal, allows you to:

- Book one-to-one appointments with a consultant
- Register for careers events
- Update your preferences to receive careers information relevant to your career interests
- Browse job opportunities

Follow @LSECareers on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/lsecareers) and [TikTok](https://www.tiktok.com/@lsecareers) to stay up-to-date with upcoming events, expert advice and new resources.

### LSE Volunteer Centre

Volunteering is a great way to help develop new skills and meet new people while making a difference. The LSE Volunteer Centre is here to inspire and empower you

to volunteer for causes that you are passionate about during your time at LSE.

We work with multiple organisations to provide you with short-term and long-term volunteering opportunities across London, the UK and internationally. We also know that students are busy, so we run a comprehensive one-off volunteering programme to make sure you can fit it in.

You can find out more, as well as the advice and support we can offer, at [lse.ac.uk/VolunteerCentre](https://lse.ac.uk/VolunteerCentre) or by following [@LSEVolunteering](https://twitter.com/LSEVolunteering).

### LSE Generate

LSE Generate is the home of entrepreneurship at LSE.

We aim to support and scale socially-driven student and alumni ventures, here in the UK and across the globe. We welcome all students and alumni, from those eager to develop and learn entrepreneurial skills to LSE entrepreneurs who have already launched their ventures and need support and advice from the team.

As a student, you'll have access to all of our startup resources as well as access to a variety of events created to expand your skills, give you the tools to excel, and help you network with like-minded founders. Our events vary from funding competitions, talks, workshops on a range of topics, skill development bootcamps, and even international treks!

Discover more on our website:

[lse.ac.uk/generate](https://lse.ac.uk/generate), [register with Generate](#) to receive the monthly newsletter, or keep up to date with Generate news through our social media, [@LSEGenerate](https://twitter.com/LSEGenerate).

## 5. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

### What is EDI?

One of our guiding principles in Strategy 2030 is to sustain excellence through an inclusive and diverse community. We work to build a School – and a society – in which everyone is able to fulfil their potential, and everyone’s contribution is valued.

Support and resources available:

LSE Safe Contacts are members of LSE staff who have received training and can offer a confidential “signposting” service for staff and students who have previously or are currently experiencing some form of bullying or harassment (including those based on protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation), hate crimes or sexual violence.

Safe Contacts are often the first point of contact if you are unsure of what to do. They provide personalised support to you and help you navigate what comes next. Find out more at [lse.ac.uk/safecontacts](https://lse.ac.uk/safecontacts)

Report it Stop it: If you have experienced, or witnessed, any form of bullying, harassment, hate crimes or sexual violence and you want to report this to LSE, you can directly do it by using the online form Report it Stop it. This report can be completely anonymous. If you leave a contact, the School’s Deputy Head of Student Services will be able to get in touch to help with the next steps. Find out more at [info.lse.ac.uk/making-a-choice/report-an-incident](https://info.lse.ac.uk/making-a-choice/report-an-incident)

Ethics Module: This online module has been designed for the whole School community with the aim of increasing understanding of the Ethics Code, the range of ethics policies that support the ethics principles, how they can be applied, and the importance of creating a culture in which individuals can and do raise any concerns that they may have.

Consent.ed: This is an educational programme that explores issues around consent and provides an opportunity for us to discuss how we can look out for one another and create a respectful and inclusive campus. It is expected of students at LSE to take part in the Consent.ed sessions. It takes place over 2 platforms. The first step is completing a short online module at your own pace before taking part in the second step which is an in person 90-minute session. The session is led by 2 student facilitators.

As we recognise the sensitive nature of Consent.ed, students who feel unable to participate for personal reasons can opt out.

More information can be found here: <https://www.lsesu.com/support/consented/>

AccessAble: Our partnership with AccessAble will help us to be proactive in improving the accessibility of our buildings, at a time when the LSE estate is undergoing major physical change.

LGBT+ Role Models and Allies Directory: Being an LGBT+ role model at LSE is about being a visible member of the LGBT+ community and a champion for LGBT+ issues.



### Rape Crisis:

Rape Crisis Centres provide frontline specialist, independent and confidential services for women and girls of all ages who've experienced any form of sexual violence, at any time in their lives. LSE has partnered with Rape Crisis so that any student or staff member can book appointments with a designated Sexual Violence Support Worker anytime. Find out more at: [info.lse.ac.uk/Making-a-choice/Sexual-violence-support-worker](https://info.lse.ac.uk/Making-a-choice/Sexual-violence-support-worker)

### Survivors UK:

LSE has recently partnered with Survivors UK and they can provide independent sexual violence advisor services to any man, boy, transgender or nonbinary person in the LSE community. You can email: [isva@survivorsuk.org](mailto:isva@survivorsuk.org) to book a 45-min confidential appointment.

If you would like to find out more about these and other initiatives and the information and support available to you, please contact EDI on [edi@lse.ac.uk](mailto:edi@lse.ac.uk), visit [lse.ac.uk/equitydiversityinclusion](https://lse.ac.uk/equitydiversityinclusion) and follow us on Twitter @EDI\_LSE

## **6. Your Wellbeing and Health**

### Student Wellbeing Service (SWS)

SWS brings together two key student facing services; the Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS) and the Student Counselling Service (SCS). SWS also facilitates the Peer Supporter Scheme. SWS works with you to remove barriers and manage challenges to get the most out of your LSE experience. Visit [lse.ac.uk/studentwellbeing](https://lse.ac.uk/studentwellbeing) to access support.

### Student Counselling Service (SCS)

SCS provides a professional, free and confidential service to help you with any problems that you may be experiencing. You can speak to a qualified and experienced counsellor about academic stresses, as well as personal and emotional difficulties.

Visit [lse.ac.uk/counselling](https://lse.ac.uk/counselling) to book a Wellbeing appointment to discuss whether counselling is the best option for you, and to explore further options available to you.

SCS also organises groups and workshops to support students experiencing stress, anxiety or other issues. Details of these groups can be found here at [info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/student-wellbeing/counselling-workshops](https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/student-wellbeing/counselling-workshops).

### Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS)

DMHS are the first point of contact for students with disabilities, long term medical and mental health conditions, and Specific Learning Difficulties such as dyslexia. DMHS can help you create My Adjustments which is a way of putting in place agreed "reasonable adjustments" to support your studies. Visit [lse.ac.uk/disability](https://lse.ac.uk/disability) to find out more.

### Peer Supporters

Peer Supporters give you the opportunity to talk to fellow students about anything that is worrying you. Peer Supporters are trained to offer confidential emotional support, help and reassurance. You can find out more about the scheme and arrange a chat with a Peer Supporter at [lse.ac.uk/peersupport](https://lse.ac.uk/peersupport).

### Health Care in the UK

You are likely to need to access medical care while you are at LSE, even if this is just for routine appointments. In the UK most health care is provided through the National Health Service (NHS).

You are typically eligible for free treatment on the NHS if you fall into one of the following categories:

- **You are a UK resident**
- **You have a Tier 4 visa and have paid the Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS)**
- **You have applied for the EU Settlement Scheme and hold either Pre-settled or Settled status**

This list is not exhaustive and was correct at the time of print. The UK Council for International Student Affairs maintains an up-to-date listing on their website - [ukcisa.org.uk](https://ukcisa.org.uk).

If you are unfamiliar with the NHS search for “NHS Services explained” to find out more. You are usually required to register with a local General Practitioner’s (GP) surgery before you can book an appointment. You should register as soon as possible and not wait until you are unwell. The nearest GP surgery is St. Philips Medical Centre who are based on the second floor of Pethick-Lawrence House. This surgery will register most LSE students. For more information about the services offered and how to register please visit [www.stphilipsmedicalcentre.co.uk](https://www.stphilipsmedicalcentre.co.uk) or call 020 7611 5131. Alternatively, you can find your nearest GP by using the GP finder

function on the NHS website available at [nhs.uk](https://nhs.uk).

As well as dispensing medicines, pharmacies can also offer advice on common health problems. You do not need to make an appointment, just visit a pharmacy and ask to speak to the duty pharmacists. In an emergency you should dial **999** to call an ambulance. You can also visit your nearest accident and emergency (A&E) department at your local hospital or visit an Urgent Care Centre.

There is a lot more information about Health Care, including details about dentists and opticians, available at [lse.ac.uk/studenthealth](https://lse.ac.uk/studenthealth).

### LSE Faith Centre

The Faith Centre is open to students of all faiths and none. It is home to LSE’s diverse religious activities, transformational interfaith leadership programmes, and a space for worship, prayer and quiet reflection.

Finding your feet: It can be challenging arriving in a new city for a new start. We want to help you settle into London and find a community that suits you – and there are lots of options! We provide a space for student faith societies to meet, worship and plan their activities. Details of contact information for faith groups can be found in our [resources](#).

Wellbeing: We host a range of activities including Mindfulness, Yoga, Ashtanga Yoga and Tai Chi. Class details can be found on the “Wellbeing” page at [lse.ac.uk/faithcentre](https://lse.ac.uk/faithcentre). You can also come and sit in the Faith Centre main space for personal prayer and reflection.

Facilities: The Faith Centre comprises Islamic Prayer Rooms, a space for silent prayer/meditation (The Cave), and a

multifaith space (The Desert Room) which is bookable for LSESU Faith Societies or faith/wellbeing-based staff groups. [Find out more here](#) or email [faithcentre@lse.ac.uk](mailto:faithcentre@lse.ac.uk) for booking enquiries.

**Support:** You can contact the Faith Centre Director and Chaplain to LSE, Revd Dr James Walters, on [j.walters2@lse.ac.uk](mailto:j.walters2@lse.ac.uk) for confidential support regardless of your religion or belief.

You can also find contact details for our team of Associate Chaplains on our “People” page at [lse.ac.uk/faithcentre](https://lse.ac.uk/faithcentre)

**Beecken Faith and Leadership Programme:**  
Learn more about our flagship faith and leadership programme at [lse.ac.uk/faithcentre](https://lse.ac.uk/faithcentre). These programmes are free, extra-curricular modules for all students at LSE, providing opportunities to explore, question and challenge religious differences, and build relationships to transform attitudes across faiths.

**LSE Religion and Global Society Blog:**  
The [LSE Religion and Global Society blog](#) is an interdisciplinary platform that explores the place and role of religion in our globalised world. The blog is a platform for experienced and early career academics, PhD and Masters research students, and other expert commentators to share their insights on this complex, wide-reaching topic. We welcome contributions from all researchers working on religion and global society.

If you are interested in contributing to the blog, please contact the editor Flora Rustamova at [f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk](mailto:f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk).

**Religion Scholars Network:**  
The LSE Faith Centre, through its research unit Religion and Global Society, convenes a network for current LSE PhD candidates across departments whose research relates

to the social scientific study of religion. This is a great opportunity to collaborate with other PhD candidates from different fields through informal events throughout the year to share your insights and challenges. For more information email Flora Rustamova at [f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk](mailto:f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk).

## 7. Fees and Finance

### Fees

All administration around your fees is handled by the Fees, Income and Credit Control Team.

LSE offers two options for payment of your tuition fees. You can either pay them in full prior to registration or by payment plan. If you have not paid your fees in full before you register you will be placed on a termly payment plan. You are expected to pay one third of your fees by:

- 28 October 2024
- 28 January 2025
- 28 April 2025

For tuition fee levels please visit [lse.ac.uk/tableoffees](https://lse.ac.uk/tableoffees)

To pay online or to find out about the different payment methods available, visit [lse.ac.uk/feepayments](https://lse.ac.uk/feepayments)

Once you are enrolled you can access your financial details at any time to review your tuition and accommodation fees, invoices, payments and instalment arrangements by accessing the Finance Hub. Please visit our webpage to get full details [lse.ac.uk/ficc](https://lse.ac.uk/ficc)

Unfortunately, it is not possible for you to pay in person.

The Fees, Income and Control Office also run drop-in sessions for students who wish to discuss fees and payment related enquiries.

For further information, please visit [lse.ac.uk/ficc](https://lse.ac.uk/ficc)

For full details regarding tuition fees, charging policy, payment and instalment options, visit [lse.ac.uk/feespolicy](https://lse.ac.uk/feespolicy)

#### Financial Support Office (FSO)

The FSO are responsible for the administration and awarding of scholarships, bursaries, studentships and School prizes.

FSO can also provide information about funds such as the Student Support fund and the LSE Access Fund. You can find out more about FSO and download application forms at [lse.ac.uk/financialsupport](https://lse.ac.uk/financialsupport).

FSO hold Zoom drop-in sessions and more information can be found at [lse.ac.uk/financialdropin](https://lse.ac.uk/financialdropin)

FSO are contactable by phone on 020 7955 6609 or by email at [financial-support@lse.ac.uk](mailto:financial-support@lse.ac.uk)

## 8. Codes and Charters

#### LSE Academic Code

LSE's Academic Code sets out what we are doing to deliver a consistent student experience across the School and clarifies what you can expect from an LSE education.

The Academic Code brings together key principles that underpin students' education into a School-wide policy. Developed in partnership with LSE Students' Union, it sets the baseline to build on teaching standards, academic support, and assessment and feedback - areas that students have told us matter the most to them.

[Read the Academic Code in full.](#)

#### The Student Charter

Our Student Charter, written by students and staff, sets out how LSE's mission and ethos are reflected in the education you can expect to receive at the School, and in the diverse, equitable and inclusive community that we all contribute to and value.

The charter covers:

- **Your education** – what an LSE education is and how you can make the most of it
- **Our community** – what it means to be part of the LSE community and how to contribute
- **Your future, our future** – how to inspire future generations of LSE students.

You can find out more about the charter and read the [full version online](#).

#### Codes of Good Practice

The Codes of Good Practice explain the basic obligations and responsibilities of staff and students.

They set out what you can expect from your department in relation to the teaching and learning experience. The codes cover areas like the roles and responsibilities of Academic Mentors; the structure of teaching at LSE; examinations and assessments. The codes also lay out your responsibilities as a member of our community. You can find the codes of practice at [lse.ac.uk/calendar](https://lse.ac.uk/calendar).

## The Ethics Code

The Ethics Code details the principles by which the whole LSE community are expected to act.

The School expects the highest possible ethical standards from all staff, students and governors. The Ethics Code sets out the School's commitment to the six ethics principles:

- **Responsibility and Accountability**
- **Integrity**
- **Intellectual Freedom**
- **Equality of Respect and Opportunity**
- **Collegiality**
- **Sustainability**

You can find the code, as well as guidance and support at [lse.ac.uk/ethics](http://lse.ac.uk/ethics)

## Research Ethics:

If you conduct research, you'll need to follow the Research Ethics Policy and procedures.

Find [resources, training and support on LSE research ethics](#). If you have any questions regarding research ethics or research conduct, please email [research.ethics@lse.ac.uk](mailto:research.ethics@lse.ac.uk).

## **9. Students' Union**

The Students' Union (SU) is independent from the School and is run for students by students.

The SU can provide advice, tell you how you can meet students with similar interests and views, and offer opportunities to improve your student experience.

Some examples of SU initiatives include:

- Student activities – the Union funds and supports more than 200 societies, sports clubs, Media Group societies and Raising and Giving charitable fundraising;
- Campaigns and democracy – getting students together to take action on and influence the issues they care about within the School and wider society;
- Representation – led by a Student Executive, working with representatives from across the School, students influence and shape the decisions and direction of the School;
- Welfare and student support – the SU's independent and legally-trained advice workers offer free, confidential advice if you need it;
- The Union runs a cafe, The Three Tuns (bar), and a Gym for you to socialise in and meet up with your fellow students.

For further information and to get involved, please visit <https://www.lsesu.com/>

## 10. Alumni Association

LSE's Alumni Association is the official voice of LSE's global alumni community, comprising more than 133,000 people in more than 190 countries, 53 country groups, nine special interest groups and 30 contact networks.

Its primary role is to support the alumni programme co-ordinated by the LSE Alumni Relations team by a) developing and supporting the network of international and special interest alumni groups and contact networks, and, b) representing the voice of the alumni community within the School.

You automatically become a member upon graduation. Membership is free. By registering with the Houghton Street Online community, you will be able to stay connected with former classmates and the School after your graduation. You will receive a monthly e-newsletter, *LSE Alumni Echo*, and the biannual alumni magazine, *LSE Connect*.

LSE alumni also have access to:

- Alumni Professional Mentoring Network
- LSE Careers for up to two years after graduation
- An email forwarding address to continue using an LSE email address
- The Library's printed collections on a reference basis, and can borrow free of charge

For more information about the benefits and services available to alumni, please contact the Alumni Relations team on [alumni@lse.ac.uk](mailto:alumni@lse.ac.uk).

# LSE Campus



## Key

<b>95A</b> 95 Aldwych	<b>FAW</b> Fawcett House	<b>35L</b> 35 Lincoln's Inn Fields	<b>OLD</b> Old Building	<b>POR</b> 1 Portsmouth Street
<b>ALD</b> Aldwych House	<b>KGS</b> King's Chambers	<b>50L</b> 50 Lincoln's Inn Fields	<b>OCS</b> Old Curiosity Shop	<b>SAL</b> Sir Arthur Lewis Building
<b>CBG</b> Centre Building	<b>KSW</b> 20 Kingsway	<b>LRB</b> Lionel Robbins Building, Library	<b>PAN</b> Pankhurst House	<b>SAR</b> Sardinia House
<b>CKK</b> Cheng Kin Ku Building	<b>LAK</b> Lakatos Building	<b>MAR</b> The Marshall Building	<b>PAR</b> Parish Hall	<b>SAW</b> Saw Swee Hock Student Centre
<b>CLM</b> Clement House	<b>LCH</b> Lincoln Chambers		<b>PEA</b> Peacock Theatre	<b>SHF</b> Sheffield Street
<b>COL</b> Columbia House	<b>5LF</b> 5 Lincoln's Inn Fields		<b>PEL</b> Pethick-Lawrence House	<b>STC</b> St Clement's
<b>CON</b> Connaught House				
<b>COW</b> Cowdray House				

All buildings have wheelchair access and lifts, except 95A, KGS, KSW\*, 5LF, 50L, POR\* and SHF. \*KSW 20 Kingsway (Language Centre only), \*POR 1 Portsmouth Street (Shop only)

Disabled Access After 6.30pm, please call Security Control on 020 7955 6200 to ensure that any disabled access doors are open. Also see: [Accessibility map \[PDF\]](#) For access to 20 Kingsway, please call security staff on 020 7955 6200 to set up the portable ramp in the entrance foyer. Access Guides to LSE buildings AccessAble have produced detailed access guides to the LSE campus and residences, and route maps between key locations. These access guides, and route maps, are now [available online](#).







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