



Department of  
**Accounting**



# POSTGRADUATE OFFER HOLDERS

**2025-26**

Welcome Booklet

DIPLOMA IN ACCOUNTING  
AND FINANCE

MSC ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

MSC ACCOUNTING, ORGANISATIONS  
AND INSTITUTIONS





## CHECKLIST: What to do next

- ✓ Accept and confirm your offer on [LSE for You](#)
- ✓ Submit your [Financial Undertaking Form](#). It is best to do this as early as possible, particularly if you require a CAS for your visa
- ✓ Read the [Graduate Offer Pack](#) for information on visas, accommodation, what to do before you arrive at LSE, and general information about student life and London
- ✓ Bookmark the [Department of Accounting Offer Holders page](#) for latest updates

## CONTACT US

Please get in touch with us if you have any questions:

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# WELCOME FROM THE PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

Congratulations on securing an offer from the Department of Accounting at LSE! Our Diploma and MSc programmes are highly competitive - securing a place is a significant achievement which speaks volumes about your potential. Well done!

## A Tradition of Excellence

At LSE, we pride ourselves not only on our academic rigour but also on our vibrant community. Many of our alumni are now influential leaders across the globe, and you are on the path to joining this illustrious group.

## Teaching

Our research-led teaching is delivered by our outstanding faculty who are renowned for their innovative approaches and dedication to student success. You will learn about the latest theories and their real-world applications as well as having the opportunity of one-to-one discussions with faculty.

## Professional Networking and Careers Support

Your time with us will be enriched by opportunities to connect with senior professionals and alumni across diverse fields such as accounting, finance,

consulting, and policy. Our dedicated careers service will support you as you transition from academic life and help you to achieve your career goals.

## Community and Care

We are committed to providing pastoral support to our students. Our robust academic mentoring scheme offers comprehensive personal support. In addition, we organise many social events for students to facilitate social connection and help build enduring friendships. These connections will not only enhance your time at LSE but will also be invaluable as you advance in your career.

## An exceptional experience

As your Programme Director, I am committed to ensuring that your experience in our postgraduate programmes is exceptional. Alongside our talented faculty and professional services staff, I look forward to getting to know you and to supporting you on your academic journey with us.

Best regards,

**DR JULIA MORLEY**  
**PROGRAMME DIRECTOR**

# WELCOME TO LSE AND THE DEPARTMENT

**Awarded: University of the Year 2025  
by The Times and The Sunday Times**

## **The heart of London**

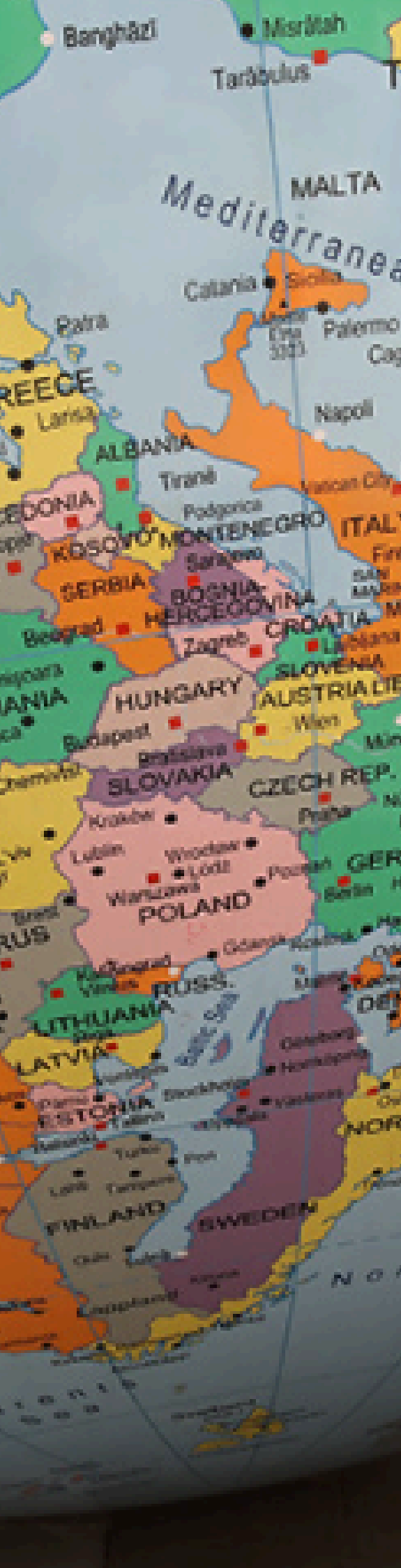
LSE offers a unique opportunity to explore the social sciences at a world-renowned university, all while immersing yourself in the dynamic cultural, social, and recreational experiences of one of the world's greatest capital cities.

Rooted in real-world engagement, LSE thrives as a dynamic, cosmopolitan community where faculty, students, and global ideas converge. With government, Parliament, media, and major institutions nearby, the School fosters unparalleled opportunities for collaboration and influence.

## **A world centre for research and teaching**

The Department's teaching is deeply informed and enhanced by its research activities. Graduate students play a vital role in advancing the School's academic contributions through their research during their studies. LSE provides a thriving environment for staff research, supported by its academic departments, institutes, and interdisciplinary research centres. Impressively, 97% of LSE academics are actively engaged in research, making them highly sought-after advisers, consultants, and commentators. This active involvement bridges the gap between theory and practice, enriching both their teaching and research impact.





## Research quality

The Research Excellence Framework (REF) is a comprehensive evaluation of research quality across UK universities conducted by the Higher Education Funding Councils approximately every five to seven years. Findings from the 2021 REF reaffirmed LSE's status as a global leader in research, with the School consistently ranking at the forefront or near the summit in various assessments of research excellence.

## The Department of Accounting

The Department of Accounting maintains its esteemed status as one of the foremost entities worldwide for both teaching and research in the economic, institutional, and organisational dimensions of accounting and financial management. Accounting at LSE is rooted in research and grounded in the social sciences, with a clear aim to influence accounting regulation, practice, or the professional realm.

Faculty members within the Department are actively engaged in research and education spanning a wide spectrum of accounting topics. They collaborate across disciplines such as economics, finance, history, law, management, organisational studies, psychology, and sociology. The Department's research and teaching endeavours encompass a broad range of subjects, addressing both private and public sector concerns and advocating for various evidentiary sources and investigative methodologies.

In the QS World Rankings 2024, the Department secures a prestigious position, ranking first in London, and sixth globally for Accounting and Finance.





The Marshall Building, home to LSE's  
Department of Accounting since 2022.

# GET LSE READY- SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAMME 2025

## MARCH to JUNE: Ask Us Anything online drop-in sessions

The Programme Team will be hosting monthly "Ask Us Anything" sessions on Zoom to discuss any questions you have about the programme.

- Friday 21 March 2025, 10am-11am ([register here](#))
- Friday 4 April 2025, 12pm-1pm ([register here](#))
- Thursday 8 May 2025, 2pm-3pm ([register here](#))
- Wednesday 11 June 2025, 10am-11am ([register here](#))

## JULY: Career planning over the summer

As many companies begin their graduate recruitment cycles in the summer, the Department, in collaboration with LSE Careers, will be hosting an online session to guide you through this period. The session will cover career resources available to you and provide information on our CV summer review service.

## AUGUST: Preparing to study at LSE

Studying at LSE can be challenging, but LSE LIFE is here to support you. Join us to learn about the resources available to help you succeed academically at LSE.

## SEPTEMBER: Course Selection presentation

We will be holding a course selection session to guide you through the process of choosing accounting and finance modules when the course selection window opens later in the month.

All of the above activities will be held online. Joining details will be provided closer to the confirmed dates.

# CAREER DEVELOPMENT

As a postgraduate Accounting student, you'll benefit from specialised career support provided by dedicated consultants within the Department, alongside the comprehensive services of the central [LSE Careers Service](#). From tailored career coaching to professional development activities, we're here to support you throughout your programme and beyond graduation.

Located in the heart of London, LSE offers unmatched access to globally renowned employers. Exclusive on-campus employer events provide unique networking opportunities, complemented by career seminars and workshops designed specifically for Accounting students.

Our alumni network, with over 10,000 graduates from the Department of Accounting, offers invaluable connections across a wide range of sectors worldwide. This global network provides access to inspiring leaders and opportunities to build relationships that can shape your career journey.

## Graduate Destinations

Graduates of our postgraduate programmes pursue a wide range of career paths.

In addition to gaining specialised knowledge relevant to roles in areas such as financial reporting, management accounting, and asset markets, you'll develop transferable skills like project management, communication, and quantitative analysis. These competencies are highly valued across sectors, including the public sector, consulting, and various industries.

LSE Accounting graduates have secured roles in leading organisations worldwide, with common career destinations including:

- Accounting and Auditing
- Consultancy
- Investment Banking
- Retail and Commercial Banking
- Asset Management

Companies who have employed recent graduates from this programme include Bain & Company, Bank of New York Mellon, Barclays Capital, BlackRock, Crédit Agricole, Crowe Horwath, General Electric, JP Morgan, Deloitte, Ernst & Young, PwC, KPMG, Proctor & Gamble, Merrill Lynch, Mondelez, EMI Music, Nordea Bank, Royal Dutch Shell, Schroders and Strategic Asset Partners LLP.

## Events/Workshops

Throughout the year the LSE Careers Service and the Department of Accounting hosts a number of career events and workshops including:

- Careers Fairs such as Banking and Financial Services; Consultancy; Business and Management; Public Sector and Policy; European Internships; and Asia Careers Fairs.
- Alumni Networking Evenings
- Workshops in financial modelling; presentations skills; assessment centres and group assessment; interview practice; understanding the internship to graduate role cycle.



# CONNECTING WITH FELLOW ACCOUNTING OFFER HOLDERS



The Department of Accounting has set up a LinkedIn group for postgraduate Accounting offer holders (Class of 2026) to connect with peers before starting in September. Additionally, the Department maintains a WhatsApp community group to keep postgraduate Accounting students updated on news and events throughout their time at LSE.



## Request to join

You can also follow the Department on social media:







## Additional support/information

### Academic Mentor

Your Academic Mentor oversees your academic journey, ensuring progress and offering support in addressing any challenges, whether academic or personal. At the beginning of the Autumn Term, all postgraduate students will be allocated an Academic Mentor. Do not hesitate to reach out to your Academic Mentor whenever you encounter uncertainty or difficulty.

### Accounting study space

Apart from the general learning areas across campus and the LSE Library, the Department of Accounting provides three exclusive study rooms in the Marshall Building specifically for accounting students. These rooms also grant access to Bloomberg Terminals, group study work and quiet study room.

### Course choice video

Brief introductory videos for Accounting courses are accessible for viewing on the [Department website](#). However, please note that not all courses have corresponding videos. For comprehensive details, it's advisable to contact the respective course leader.

### INSIGHTS speaker series

To illustrate the practical application of theoretical concepts, the Department organises a speaker series of lectures. These sessions feature presentations by practitioners, and occasionally visiting academics, addressing topical subjects within accounting, finance, or themes covered in students' lectures and classes.

### LSE LIFE

LSE LIFE serves as a hub for self-discovery, academic enrichment, and goal attainment. Our array of workshops and distinctive events cater to your chosen skills and personal interests. Additionally, we provide personalised one-to-one sessions to unearth your strengths, enhance your skills, and align them towards achieving your objectives.

As a student, you can utilise LSE LIFE to bolster your academic, communication, numeracy, and research abilities. Furthermore, you can seek guidance on personal effectiveness, life decisions, and gain valuable insights into graduate recruitment and career pathways. All these resources are conveniently located in a purpose-built space on the ground floor of the LSE Library.



## LSE public events

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

Discover the range of free events at LSE in the Public Lecture Programme. As a student, you have first-hand access to influential outside speakers at the School (national and international politicians, business leaders, industrialists and civil servants) as well as leading academics from all around the world who visit to participate in teaching, to give public lectures and to pursue their own research.

## Language Centre

The learning of languages will lead to a more in-depth understanding of different societies and cultures and of the diversity and multiplicity of today's globalised societies and through literature you'll expand your mind, gaining understanding and experiencing other systems of living and other worlds. The LSE Language Centre offers language courses outside your degree in the following languages: Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

# PROGRAMME TIMELINE

The Diploma in Accounting and Finance is a 9-month full-time programme.

The MSc Accounting and Finance, and the MSc Accounting, Organisations and Institutions are 10-month full-time programmes. Official start date is on your offer letter.

### LSE Term Dates

LSE's official Welcome Week starts the week commencing 22 September 2025. Pre-welcome events including pre-session courses will take place for MSc accounting students. Further details will be listed on our [New Arrival 2025 page](#) available online in summer 2025.

#### Autumn Term

Monday 29 September 2025 - Friday 12 December 2025

#### Winter Break

Monday 15 December 2025 - Friday 16 January 2026

#### January exams

Monday 7 – Friday 16 January 2026

#### Winter Term

Monday 19 January 2026 - Thursday 2 April 2026 (due to Good Friday on 3 April)

#### Spring break

Friday 3 April - Monday 4 May 2026

#### Spring Term

Tuesday 5 May 2026 - Friday 19 June 2026

# PROGRAMME TEAM



## Programme Director

Dr Julia Morley, Associate Professor (Education) - MSc Programme Director

Having studied Economics at Pembroke College, Cambridge, Julia qualified as a chartered accountant with ICAEW and worked in finance, media and consulting. Julia went to complete an MSc in Philosophy of the Social Sciences in the Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method at LSE, followed by a PhD in the Department of Accounting.

At LSE Julia teaches on AC342 Accounting, Corporate Responsibility and Sustainability; AC411 Accounting, Strategy and Control; and AC493 Financial and Management Accounting for Managerial Decision Making.

## Programme Office

The Programme Office team, based in the Marshall Building, 3rd Floor - MAR 3.07, will work with you through the duration of your study to help manage your academic journey at LSE.



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