

# Department of Sociology

We hope this email finds you well and looking forward to your summer break! Here in the Department of Sociology, our students are finishing up on their final assessments and we are preparing for next academic year!

We wanted to share some key dates with you so you can start planning your arrival and know when you'll need to be on campus. Welcome, LSE's introductory week for all new students, will take place from **Monday 22 September to Friday 26 September 2025**. Throughout the week, there will be a range of events on campus will take place, hosted by both your academic department and the wider LSE community. We're excited to meet you in person and to welcome you to campus and into our student community. More information will be shared in the coming months before you join us.

We may have already met some of you at LSE's Offer Holders Day in April, where the Department of Sociology hosted a taster lecture and a meet-and-greet with our staff and current students. It was fantastic to see so many of you there and to have engaging conversations about the department and your interests in Sociology. If you couldn't attend, the taster lecture—delivered by our BSc Programme Director, Dr. Olivia Rutazibwa—was recorded and is [available to view here](#).

September is just around the corner, and we wanted to formally introduce you to our current programme director, Olivia. If you were able to attend our Offer Holders Day, you will have met her and a few other members from the department already! They will be integral to supporting you during your BSc Programme and we'll send you more information in the coming months.



## Welcome from our current Programme Director

Welcome to the BSc Sociology here at LSE and what we are confident will be the start of an exciting three-year adventure of learning and exploration.

The BSc Sociology is the flagship undergraduate degree offered by the department. Our research spans across many critical issues shaping the world today, and through a combination of lectures, seminars, workshops and events, we will draw on this expertise to inspire in you a passion for the discipline and the possibilities of the sociological imagination. This will certainly be challenging you'll have to deal with new types of knowledge, collaborate with your peers in novel ways, and critically assess some of the most profound taken-for-granted assumptions of the modern world. But we're also confident it will be a rewarding, mind-expanding experience: you will learn to create, collaborate and think in new and critical ways.

You have been selected from a large pool of applicants. We have chosen you not only because of your academic ability but also because of the skills and diverse life experiences you'll bring to the degree. At LSE, you'll be part of a relatively small cohort of students and will be in close proximity to our faculty and staff. We expect you to work closely with us and your peers and to exhibit the highest standard of integrity and dedication to the degree. This is a fascinating adventure, but it is one that requires work and dedication.

I look forward to meeting you all in person and wish you the best in your experience at LSE.

Dr. Olivia Rutazibwa



## **The Department of Sociology**

You are about to embark on an amazing journey, full of excitement, challenges, new knowledge, experiences, friends, and opportunities. The Department of Sociology is a community that brings people together from different parts of the world, speaking different languages and bringing their knowledge and unique experiences. This community includes your Programme Director and Programme Manager – and the Sociology professional services staff, academic staff and all LSE associated teachers. We are happy to be there to support you in pursuing your academic and professional goals.

## **Undergraduate Programme Manager**

The Programme Manager for your degree will be your first point of contact for any queries you may have throughout your time at LSE. Whether you need to know about the programme format, how to make your course choices, assessment matters, have general feedback, or if you're just not sure who to contact at the school on any matter, please do get in contact and we will do our best to assist, or direct you the relevant colleague or team.

Warm wishes,

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