

Dear {!Contact.FirstName},

Welcome to our February newsletter! This month we focus on accommodation. The accommodation booking portal is open NOW, and we encourage you to think about booking accommodation sooner rather than later.

We hope that you enjoy this month's issue, and look forward to welcoming you later this year.

Kind regards,

**Graduate Admissions Office** 

## **Finding Accommodation**

Coming to live in London, and finding the right accommodation here, may seem daunting at first. However, once you have established what your needs are, and what options are available, it shouldn't be long before you've found a home in London with LSE.

#### **LSE Residential Halls**

University Halls are a great way to meet a real mix of people, from the UK, and international student. Each year we allocate over 4,000 places in halls, across 15 different locations in central London (nearly all in walking distance of LSE!).

Bookings for places in Halls are open and the booking deadline is 31 May 2022 - remember to book early to ensure you have more choice! You need to log into your <u>LSE for You</u>, and click on the 'accommodation' option. If you haven't yet accepted your offer, you will be unable to book accommodation.

### Residential Halls at a glance

Many LSE students live in privately rented housing and commute to the School every day. It may be difficult to arrange this sort of accommodation before arriving in London, as you should inspect any property before committing to rent it. We would advise you to allow a minimum of two weeks to search for accommodation (students with children should allow longer).

We've put a guide together to get you started: <u>Finding private housing</u>
All UK landlords are now required by law to check that tenants have a right to live in the UK. Students searching for private housing should be prepared to

### Quick links

- <u>Graduate</u> Admissions
- Offer Pack [PDF]
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# Notes and Dates for the Diary

Apply for the

Graduate
Support Scheme
as soon as
possible. The
application
process will close
on 28th April
2022 (applications
close at 5.00pm
UK time).

News from around LSE

show prospective landlords their documentation. Accepted documents include:

- Passport or national identity card from Great Britain, EEA or Switzerland
- A full birth/adoption certificate AND a CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies) letter confirming the holder's acceptance on a current course of studies.
- If an international student, a visa/Biometric Residence Permit to show that you are allowed to stay in the UK for the relevant time period.

We would recommend you DO NOT send any original documents to your landlord via post. Bring the documents with you in person, and ask the landlord to make a copy of the document while you are present, and to return the original to you, or bring along copies along with the originals. If you require further information on what you will be required to provide to landlords, please contact <a href="mailto:private.housing@lse.ac.uk">private.housing@lse.ac.uk</a> for advice.

LSE Halls of residence, and those provided by its partner organisations (urbanest, Sanctuary Housing and the University of London), are exempt from the above legislation, and students will not need to provide additional documentation to secure a place in any of these halls.

LSE Studentpad allows you to conduct some research before you visit LSE, allowing you to access other lists of properties, make contact with other LSE students also searching for accommodation (via message boards), and to view a wide range of advice on how to find accommodation in London.

LSE also has short-term temporary accommodation from August if you need to stay in an LSE hall while searching for a flat. Short term accommodation can be booked at <a href="Isevacations.co.uk">Isevacations.co.uk</a>



## **Accommodation fees**

Fees for LSE Halls vary depending on the particular hall you choose.

Utility bills, Wi-Fi internet access and contents insurance, as well as the welfare support are included in the rent you pay. Some contracts include catering, so you don't have to cook.

You may wish to check the <u>2022/23 Table of Accommodation Fees</u>, before deciding which hall is best for you.

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

#### News

Professor Sir Tim
Beasley to
advise UK
Government on
levelling up

#### **LSE Events**

Celebrating Extra-Ordinary Women this International Women's day

Tuesday 8 March 2022 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Hosted by the Inclusion Initiative

In this special event to celebrate International Women's Day Grace Lordan will be in conversation with Elizabeth Nyamayaro about her outstanding leadership in launching one of the world's largest global solidarity movements for gender equality, HeForShe, in addition to her work in the UN and her bestselling book I am a Girl From Africa.

# Video of the month:

A short history of LSE Events



#### LSE Blogs:

How to plan out your lent term to avoid last minute revision

Students@LSE

As schedule of payment dates will be made available in your licence agreement, but generally, fees are due on a termly basis, by the end of the second week of each term.

# **Contacting Residential Services**

If you would like to get in touch with LSE Residential Services Office, they would be happy to provide you with advice on LSE Halls and searching for private accommodation.

The Residential Services Office is open from 9am to 5pm <u>GMT</u>, Monday to Friday.

In person: Student Services Centre every Tuesday between 1.00pm and 4.00pm (term time).

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By email: accommodation@lse.ac.uk

By phone: +44 (0)20 7955 7531



# Featured Research:

# Meet LSE's early career researchers

Franzisca turns mathematical models into realworld solutions

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# **LSE Student Vlogs**

Check out <u>Saemi's tour</u> of Butler's Wharf accommodation!



