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LSE Widening Participation Programmes

Academic Year 2022-23

Why study at LSE?

The world's **leading** social science institution

43 undergraduate degree programmes

Central London campus

Students from **150+ countries**

Vibrant student life

Graduates who **change the world**

Be **#PartofLSE**

What can you study at LSE?

If you are interested in studying any of the subjects listed, then LSE might just be the place for you.

- Anthropology
- Management
- Data Science
- Economics
- Geography
- History
- International Relations
- Politics
- Law
- Mathematics
- Finance
- Accounting
- Statistics
- Actuarial Science
- Philosophy
- Psychological and Behavioural Sciences
- Social Policy
- Public Policy
- Environmental Policy
- Sociology
- Environment
- Sustainable Development.

With over 40 undergraduate degree programmes to choose from, you will be spoilt for choice. Discover [**more**](#) about our degree programmes, entry requirements and contextual offers.



Our pre-entry programmes

The Widening Participation Team at LSE deliver a range of stand-alone events and sustained programmes throughout the academic year.

These opportunities are aimed at participants who are currently underrepresented at LSE, as part of LSE's commitment to ensure that our School is a diverse and inclusive community.

By engaging with us, participants can find out more about our vibrant university in the heart of London and have a taste of what life is like as an LSE student.



Pre-16 programmes and activities

Introduction to Pathways

Overview

A half-day conference, in collaboration with the [Sutton Trust](#), that provides Year 11 participants with a taste of our Year 12 Pathways to Professions programmes. This interactive event enables participants to engage with LSE staff and students, so they have the opportunity to think about whether a career in law or finance is right for them.

The conference involves:

- Guidance on applying to university and how to prepare whilst in Year 11
- The opportunity to engage with current LSE undergraduate students
- Taster academic workshops to provide an experience of study at LSE
- Further information about the Year 12 Pathways to the Professions programmes.





Date: Saturday 1 April 2023.

Format: Virtual delivery.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 11
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school
- Interested in a career in Law or Banking and Finance
- Live within a reasonable commuting distance (~90 mins) from LSE's campus in central London
- Applicants who belong to one of our **Pathways to Law** or **Pathways to Banking and Finance** programmes target groups may be prioritised.

Applications: Monday 6 January – March 2023.

[Find out more via our programme webpage.](#)

Post-16 programmes and activities

Pathways to Law (London)

Overview

An 18-month programme, in collaboration with the [Sutton Trust](#), that gives participants an exciting insight into studying Law at university and the legal profession. Participants will be exposed to a wide range of opportunities, including:

- Informative and supportive sessions from your Pathways to Law (London) university, LSE or Queen Mary University London, including academic taster lectures, networking with legal professionals, and admissions guidance
- Work experience with leading law firms
- The opportunity to attend the residential National Conference at the University of Warwick
- Supportive mentoring from an undergraduate student studying Law or a related degree.





Date(s): December 2022 – April 2024.

Format: Hybrid – mix of virtual and in-person on-campus events.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Interested in studying Law at HE/a career in Law
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Live within a reasonable commuting distance (~90 mins) from LSE's campus in central London
- Applicants who belong to one of our widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Please see the [**Sutton Trust Pathways to Law website**](#) for full eligibility criteria.

Applications: Open Thursday 1 September 2022 – October 2022.

[**Find out more via our programme webpage.**](#)

Pathways to Banking and Finance

Overview

An 18-month programme, in collaboration with the [Sutton Trust](#), that gives participants an exciting insight to studying finance-related degrees at university and a career in the financial sector. Participants will be exposed to a wide range of opportunities, including:

- Informative and supportive sessions including academic taster lectures networking with financial professionals and admissions guidance
- Work experience with leading firms in the financial sector
- The opportunity to attend the residential National Conference at the University of Warwick
- Supportive mentoring from an undergraduate student studying a finance-related degree.





Date(s): December 2022 – April 2024.

Format: Hybrid – mix of virtual and in-person on-campus events.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Interested in studying a finance-related degree/ a career in the financial sector
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Live within a reasonable commuting distance (~90 mins) from LSE's campus in central London
- Applicants who belong to one of our widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Please see the [**Sutton Trust Pathways to B&F website**](#) for full eligibility criteria.

Applications: Open Thursday 1 September 2022 – October 2022.

[**Find out more via our programme webpage.**](#)

LSE Springboard

Overview

A sustained 10-month programme for Year 12 participants who live outside the South East of England. The programme provides participants with a taste of university-level teaching and learning at LSE as well as the information needed to apply to LSE and other high-tariff universities. Participants will be invited to LSE Springboard campus days to fully experience the LSE community and student life in London.

Participants will experience:

- An online academic programme delivered in collaboration with PhD tutors
- Virtual information sessions on applying to university, student finance and budgeting and personal statements
- Guidance sessions covering such things as careers, revisions skills and student wellbeing
- Campus visits to LSE including an end of programme celebration.





Date(s): January 2023 – October 2024.

Format: Hybrid – mix of virtual and in-person on-campus events.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Belong to one of our widening participation target groups for this programme namely POLAR 4 Q1 and Q2, IMD Q1 and Q2 (More information about these measures and how to check your eligibility can be found under the [**“Who is eligible” section of the programme webpage.**](#))
- Live outside the South East of England
- Be considering making an application for undergraduate study at LSE
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Applicants who belong to one of our additional widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Applications: Open Monday 10 October 2022 – December 2022.

[**Find out more via our programme webpage.**](#)

LSE Thrive

Overview

A sustained 10-month programme for Year 12 participants of Black heritage that provides an opportunity to be mentored by current LSE students and explore our community for themselves.

Participants will experience:

- Campus visits to LSE, participants will engage in a range of interactive workshops exploring post graduate prospects with internal and external speakers
- Supportive mentoring from an undergraduate student of Black heritage
- Virtual information sessions on applying to university, student finance and budgeting and personal statements
- Guidance sessions covering such things as careers, revisions skills and student wellbeing.





Date(s): January 2023 – October 2024.

Format: Hybrid – mix of virtual and in-person on-campus events.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Identify as being of Black British African/Caribbean or Black British African/Caribbean mixed heritage. This includes students who identify as Black British “other”
- Live within a reasonable commuting distance (~90 mins) from LSE’s campus in central London
- Be considering making an application to undergraduate study at LSE
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Applicants who belong to one of our additional widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Applications: Open Monday 10 October 2022 – December 2022.

[Find out more via our programme webpage.](#)

LSE Explore

Overview

A series of online academic taster events which offers an insight into selected undergraduate degree subjects at LSE.

Subjects for academic year 2022-23 are yet to be confirmed. Previous years subjects have included:

- Data Science
- Geography and Environment
- International Relations
- Management
- Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method
- Sociology

Each event will include:

- A subject introduction
- An academic taster session
- Admissions information
- Careers information
- A Q&A panel, including current students.

Date(s): Week beginning Monday 6 March and Monday 13 March 2023.





Format: Virtual delivery.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12 (England and Wales), Year 13 (Northern Ireland) or S5 (Scotland)
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Be considering making an application to undergraduate study at LSE
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Applicants who belong to one of our widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Applications: Open Monday 5 December 2022 – February 2023.

[Find out more via our programme webpage.](#)

LSE Black Achievement Conference

Overview

A half-day online conference celebrating Black excellence at LSE and across the UK.

The event is designed to provide a taste of higher education, whilst encouraging participants to consider their options when progressing to university generally and LSE specifically.

The conference typically engages a host of contributors including LSE students, staff and alumni alongside working with external organisations and individuals of Black heritage.

The event will include such things as:

- An engaging lecture from a leading academic
- Sessions delivered by external organisations who support and promote opportunities for students of Black heritage
- A student panel discussion with current LSE students
- Activities to find out more about university life and the applications process.





Date: Saturday 25 March 2023.

Format: Virtual delivery.

Eligibility

- Currently in Year 12 (England and Wales), Year 13 (Northern Ireland) or S5 (Scotland)
- Have always attended a UK state-funded, non-fee-paying school/college/sixth form
- Identify as being of Black British African/Caribbean or Black British African/Caribbean mixed heritage. This includes students who identify as Black British “other”
- Be considering making an application to undergraduate study at LSE
- Be on track to attain the contextual entry requirements for your course of interest at LSE
- Applicants who belong to one of our other widening participation target groups may be prioritised.

Applications: Open Monday 5 December 2022 – February 2023.

[Find out more via our programme webpage.](#)

A note on Contextual Admissions

LSE is committed to creating and promoting a truly inclusive and diverse community. Successful participation in and completion of LSE Pathways to Law, LSE Pathways to Banking and Finance, LSE Springboard and LSE Thrive (or any Sutton Trust Pathways programme at any UK university) will enable students who apply to LSE to be considered for contextual admissions and a contextual offer.

Read more about our Contextual Admissions criteria [here](#)



Learn more about LSE

Meet, visit and discover LSE, find out more [here](#).

LSE has a comprehensive package of financial support available to eligible applicants, find out more [here](#).

[Read about](#) the amazing support package LSE offers its students from Careers to Counselling.

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