

Transfer conditions for undergraduate students by department and year of study

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Departmental tutors retain the right to depart from these guidelines on a case by case basis, and if a department is full transfers will not normally be accepted.

Any student wishing to apply to transfer degree programme should complete the Request to Transfer Degree Programme form (available at <https://info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/services/programme-transfer>) and should contact their current departmental tutor as well as the departmental tutor in the department into which they wish to transfer to discuss their case.

All degree programme transfers require the approval of both the current and new academic departments.

Department	Degree Programme(s)	Standard transfer offer to Year 2 (BA/BSc)	Standard transfer offer to Year 3 (BA/BSc)
Accounting	BSc Accounting and Finance	Due to competition for places with (normally) first-year entry over-shoots, no transfers (if any) can be guaranteed until the Summer vacation. Applicants will be ranked on academic merit, taking account of reasons for transfer request. Students are expected to have taken the equivalent of AC100, EC1A3 and EC1B3 <u>or</u> EC1A5 and EC1B5, and MA and ST papers.	Transfers into the third year are not allowed.
Anthropology		Transfer applications are considered on an individual basis. It will normally be expected that applicants have already studied at least one unit's worth of anthropology.	Transfers into the third year are not allowed.
Economics	BSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics		Students are not accepted into year 2 of the BSc Econometrics and Mathematical Economics and should consult Dr Shapiro about potential transfer to year 3. BSc EME will require evidence of exceptional motivation for research as well as outstanding results. Queries should be addressed to Dr Shapiro, j.c.shapiro@lse.ac.uk
	BSc Economics	The Department of Economics is not able to accept transfers into year two BSc Economics.	

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Economic History	BSc Economic History	<p>Transfer applications are considered on an individual basis. However, for them to be considered, students must have achieved 60% or better in the equivalent of two full units, an average of 50% or better in the equivalent of the other two full units.</p> <p>Applicants who have not taken EH101 will be expected to demonstrate their interest and ability in Economic History.</p>	This is normally only allowed between degrees within the department.
	BSc in Economics and Economic History	<p>Transfer applications are considered on an individual basis. However, for them to be considered, students must have achieved 60% or better in the equivalent of two full units, an average of 50% or better in equivalent of the other two full units.</p> <p>Applicants who have not taken EH101 will be expected to demonstrate their interest and ability in Economic History. This degree has fairly stringent prerequisites in the second and third year, which means that students need to have taken two of the following three prerequisites to transfer: first year micro- and macroeconomics (maths based), statistics, mathematics, and ideally EH101.</p> <p>Applicants who have not taken EH101 will be expected to demonstrate their interest and ability in Economic History.</p>	This is normally only allowed between degrees within the department.
	BSc Economic History and Geography	<p>Transfer applications are considered on an individual basis. However, for them to be considered, students must have achieved 60% or better in the equivalent of two full units, an average of 50% or better in equivalent of the other two full units. This degree has fairly stringent prerequisites in the second and third year, which means that students need to have taken two of the following three prerequisites to transfer: first year micro and macroeconomics (maths based), EH101 and first year geography.</p> <p>Applicants who have not taken EH101 will be expected to demonstrate their interest and ability in Economic History.</p>	This is normally only allowed between degrees within the department.
Finance	BSc Finance	The Department cannot accept transfers into the 2 nd or 3 rd years of this programme.	The Department cannot accept transfers into the 2 nd or 3 rd years of this programme.

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Geography and Environment	BA Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY100 • Pass mark in GY140 or other social science research methods course • Pass mark in courses acceptable as papers 3 and 4 in the regulations for BA Geography 	Standard transfer offer to Year 2 plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY240 • Pass mark in other papers 6-8 in the regulations, or alternative papers available under suspension of regulations
	BSc Geography with Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY100 • Pass mark in MA100 or MA107/ST107 • Pass mark in EC1A3 <u>and</u> EC1B3 • Pass mark in courses acceptable as paper 4 in the regulations for BSc Geography with Economics • A level or IB Higher Mathematics 	Standard transfer offer to Year 2 plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in EC2A3 <u>and</u> either EC2B3 or EC2C3, or equivalent • Pass mark in GY201 • Pass mark in courses acceptable as papers 7-8 in the regulations for BSc Geography with Economics, or alternative papers available under suspension of regulations
	BSc Environment and Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY120 • Pass mark in GY121 • Pass mark in courses acceptable as paper 3 and 4 in the regulations for BSc Environmental Policy 	Standard transfer offer to Year 2 plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY220 • Pass mark in GY222 • Pass mark in courses acceptable as papers 7-8 in the regulations for BSc Environmental Policy, or alternative papers available under suspension of regulations
	BSc Environmental Policy with Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY120 • Pass mark in GY121 • Pass mark in MA100 or MA107/ST107 • Pass mark in EC1A3 <u>and</u> EC1B3 • A level or IB Higher Mathematics 	Standard transfer offer to Year 2 plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass mark in GY220 • Pass mark in GY222 • Pass mark in courses acceptable as papers 7-8 in the regulations for BSc Environmental Policy with Economics, or alternative papers available under suspension of regulations
Government	All degree programmes	<p>For first year students outside of the Department, degree transfers into the Department are not routinely possible and can only be granted exceptionally to students who have an overwhelming reason to transfer AND satisfy all the <u>entry criteria</u> of the new degree that they wish to transfer into, at the discretion of the Department.</p> <p>For first year students in the Department, to preserve the integrity of LSE's admissions procedures, transfers between programmes in year 1 are ordinarily impossible. The only exception is that it might be possible for joint degree students (BSc Politics &</p>	<p>A transfer can only be approved if students have obtained an average mark of 60 or better as the average in the courses for which they have already been examined, including a mark of 60 or better in the majority of their courses, in all of their Government courses, and no fail in any course.</p> <p>Students should also satisfy the conditions for transfer to the second year of the degree.</p>

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		<p>Economics; BSc Politics & History; BSc Politics and International Relations; BSc Politics and Philosophy) to move to the single BSc Politics degree at the beginning of year 1.</p> <p>A transfer to the second year of a Politics degree programme can only be approved if students have obtained a mark of 60 or better as the average in the courses for which they have already been examined, including a mark of 60 or better in the majority of their courses (60 or better in all of their Government courses), and no fail in any course and a spotless record in terms of class attendance and work.</p> <p>In order to be able to apply for a transfer to a Politics degree programme in second year, students MUST have successfully taken the following courses in their first year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To transfer to the BSc Politics: Students must have taken GV100 and GV101. The two remaining courses can be outside options. • To transfer to the BSc Politics and Economics: Students must have taken GV100, GV101, EC1A3 <u>and</u> EC1B3, MA107 and ST107. Students may be able to take some of these courses in the first year as unlisted course requests. • To transfer to the BSc Politics and History: GV100, GV101 and two of HY113, HY116 and HY118. Students may be able to take some of these courses in the first year as unlisted course requests. • To transfer to the BSc Politics and International Relations: GV100, GV101, IR100 and a course from the list against <u>Paper 4</u> in the programme regulations. • To transfer to the BSc Politics and Philosophy: GV100, GV101, PH101/PH104 and PH103. Students may be able to take some of these courses in the first year as unlisted course requests. (Continues below...) 	

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		*It may be possible for a student to take a required first year course in the second year if there is room in the new programme regulations. Students will need to discuss this with the Departmental Tutor in Government.	
International History	BA History and BSc International Relations and History	<p>There must be a space available on the degree/year that you wish to transfer to. Quotas will not be exceeded.</p> <p>A good academic track record in your previous programme i.e. 80% + attendance record and full coursework submission. Previous class teacher and academic adviser comments may also be taken into consideration.</p> <p>Two marks of 60% for specified History courses and average of 50% for the other two. Choices must fulfil all compulsory elements for Year 1, but, for BA History, one missing component may be made up as paper 8 in second year.</p>	<p>There must be a space available on the degree/year that you wish to transfer to. Quotas will not be exceeded.</p> <p>A good academic track record in your previous programme i.e. 80% + attendance record and full coursework submission. Previous class teacher and academic adviser comments may also be taken into consideration.</p> <p>Two marks of 60% for specified History courses (normally, papers 5 and 6 in the BA History degree) and average of 50% for the other two. Must fulfil Year 2 degree requirements. For the BA degree, this will mean at least papers 5 and 6, but if necessary can suspend regulations for the third History course (paper 7). This exemption was approved by former ASC when new BA was introduced. There is a cut-off date of Week 3 in the Spring term for switching to Year 3 in order to prepare for the compulsory dissertation.</p>
International Relations	BSc International Relations	<p>Students who wish to transfer into the second year must have taken IR100 in their first year and at least one of the following courses: IR101, HY113 or HY116. If students have not taken IR101 in their first year, then they must take this as paper 8 in second year, with suspension of regulations. If students have taken neither HY113 nor HY116 in their first year, then they must take either HY113 or HY116 as paper 8 in second year, with suspension of regulations.</p> <p>Students get an offer for second year entry conditional upon achieving one mark of 68 or higher and an aggregate mark of 252 or higher in their first year examinations.</p> <p>There must be a space available on the degree/year that you wish to transfer to.</p>	<p>We do not normally accept transfers into the third year. Students would have to have taken IR100 and either HY113 or HY116 in the first year, at least two of the 2nd year IR courses in the second year, and IR101 in either their first or second year. They would have to take a third 2nd year IR course as paper 12 in the third year.</p> <p>If students meet the above conditions, they will be given an offer for third year entry conditional upon achieving one mark of 68 or higher and an aggregate mark of 252 or higher in their second year examinations.</p> <p>There must be a space available on the degree/year that you wish to transfer to.</p>

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Language Centre	BSc Language, Culture and Society and BSc International Relations and Chinese	<p>For first year students outside of the Language Centre, degree transfers into the Centre's programmes are not routinely possible and can only be granted exceptionally to students who have an overwhelming reason to transfer AND satisfy all the entry criteria of the new degree that they wish to transfer into, at the discretion of the Language Centre.</p> <p>For first year students in the Language Centre, to preserve the integrity of LSE's admissions procedures, transfers between programmes in year 1 are ordinarily impossible unless there is an overwhelming reason to transfer.</p>	Due to the nature of the study abroad year, transfers into the third and fourth years are not possible.
Law	LLB	<p>Subject to availability of vacancies, students from other degrees may be allowed to transfer to the first year of the LLB in the same year or the year following the request for transfer provided they at least meet regular entry requirements. Transfer requests should be submitted before the beginning of the academic year and within the first two weeks of the Autumn Term at the latest. Late requests for transfer in the same academic year will normally not be considered. The Law School expects transferred students to complete the full curriculum of four full units per year in the LLB programme. NB This option is not available for international students on Tier 4 Student Visas due to Home Office rules concerning academic progression and programme transfers while studying on your visa.</p> <p>We do not take students into the second year of the LLB, with one exception listed below.</p> <p>Students from Law and Anthropology may be admitted to the second year of the LLB if they meet the general entry requirements for LLB students, and if they have completed two years in the Law and Anthropology degree with good marks. Students who previously applied to the course and were turned down will not be reconsidered.</p> <p>NB Again this option is not available for international students on Tier 4 visas for the reasons stated above.</p>	Students cannot be accepted into Year 3 of the LLB.

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Mathematics	BSc Mathematics with Economics	<p>Transfers will only be considered if the applicant is taking MA100, MA103, EC1A3, EC1B3, ST102. Applicants need to achieve 70% or above in MA100, and MA103, and 60% or above in the other two units.</p> <p>We allow EC1A1 and EC1B1 to replace EC1A3 and EC1B3. We allow the pair ST109 and EC1C1 to replace ST102.</p>	This is possible only in exceptional circumstances (dependent on the courses previously taken).
	BSc Mathematics with Data Science / BSc Financial Mathematics and Statistics / BSc Mathematics and Economics	<p>Transfers will normally require MA100, MA102 or MA103, EC1A3, EC1B3, ST102. Applicants need to achieve 70% or above in MA100, and either MA103 or both MA102 and ST102, and 60% or above in the other two units.</p> <p>Applicants who have not taken MA102 or MA103 may be permitted to transfer to Mathematics and Economics only in exceptional circumstances. Such applicants will need to achieve 70% or above in MA100 and both Economics half-units, and 60% or above in the other two units.</p> <p>We allow EC1A1 and EC1B1 to replace EC1A3 and EC1B3. We allow the pair ST109 and EC1C1 to replace ST102.</p>	This is possible only in exceptional circumstances (dependent on the courses previously taken).
Management	BSc Management	Management will not take transfers into 2nd and 3rd years except in very exceptional circumstances.	Management will not take transfers into 2nd and 3rd years except in very exceptional circumstances.
Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method	BSc Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method	Marks of 60% or above on all courses. The Department will normally specify that at least one of these is a compulsory first year Philosophy paper (either PH111 or PH103). Whichever of these has not been taken in the first year must be taken in the second in lieu of an outside option (i.e., candidates who transfer forego the possibility of taking an outside option in their second year).	Not normally available and, if granted exceptionally, students must have PH111, PH103 and at least two further Philosophy papers among their second year courses. All courses must have marks of 60% or above.

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	BSc Philosophy, Politics and Economics	Marks of 60% or above on all courses, which should include MA107 and ST107 or more demanding maths/stats courses as well as at least a further 1.5 units 1 st year courses in Philosophy, Politics or Economics.	This is not possible.
	BSc Philosophy and Economics	Marks of 60% or above on all courses, which should include MA107 and ST107 or more demanding maths/stats courses as well as at least a further 1.5 units 1 st year courses in Philosophy and/or Economics.	This is not possible.
Psychological and Behavioural Science	BSc Psychological and Behavioural Science	The Department cannot accept transfers into the 2 nd or 3 rd years of this programme.	The Department cannot accept transfers into the 2 nd or 3 rd years of this programme.
Social Policy	BSc International Social and Public Policy	Two marks of at least 60% and two of at least 50% in first year. Must normally have taken at least two courses coinciding with papers 1, 2, 3 or 4 and, unless granted permission otherwise by the Department, take any missing courses as papers 7 and/or 8 in second year.	The Department does not normally accept transfers into year 3 of this programme of study.
	BSc International Social and Public Policy and Economics	The Department does not normally accept transfers into Year 2 of this joint degree programme of study.	The Department does not normally accept transfers into year 3 of this joint degree programme of study.
	BSc International Social and Public Policy with Politics	The Department does not normally accept transfers into Year 2 of this joint degree programme of study.	The Department does not normally accept transfers into year 3 of this joint degree programme of study.
Sociology	BSc Sociology	Students are required to get 70% or above in one course, marks in the mid to high 60s in two courses, and a mark no lower than 55 in their fourth course. Students are also required to take the first year core courses in their second year.	This is only permitted in exceptional circumstances. Requirements - Students are required to have 70% or above in two courses, four marks in the mid to high 60s, and two marks no lower than 55. Students are also required to take the core second year courses (SO201 and SO221) and a Sociology optional course.

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Statistics	BSc Actuarial Science	Students are required to get 70% or above in MA100, 70% or above in ST102 and no fails.	Students need to have completed all courses prescribed in the Regulations as Year 2 courses with three units of 60% or more and no fails.
	BSc Mathematics, Statistics and Business (MSB)	ST102 and MA100 need to have been completed; eligibility for a transfer should be discussed with the MSB programme director.	Transfers will only be considered if ST206 and MA212 have been taken in second year.
	BSc Data Science	ST102 and MA100 need to have been completed; eligibility for a transfer should be discussed with the Data Science programme director.	At least 7 units of core courses prescribed in the programme regulations need to have been completed; eligibility for a transfer should be discussed with the Data Science programme director.