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Your guide to Welcome at LSE 2024

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Welcome to LSE and the 2024/25 academic year

Welcome to the London School of Economics and Political Science, and congratulations on beginning your journey here.

For more than 125 years, impassioned and brilliant young people have come to our School from across the globe to study and research any and all aspects of human behaviour with the goal of making the world a better place. This is, indeed, LSE's founding mission, which famously charged us to "understand the causes of things, for the betterment of society." That mission remains the beating heart of LSE, as we collectively address the challenges of the 21st century. I am so excited that you're here to help pursue its fulfilment.

Although I joined LSE only a short time before you, making this also the beginning of my first full academic year, it took no time at all for me to see what a special place this is, teeming with fascinating ideas and filled with interesting people, eager to engage. I very much hope that you feel as energized and welcome as I have.

As of today, you become part of a new community: the LSE community. Here you will find enriching and challenging intellectual opportunities, form lifetime friendships and connections with your peers and teachers, try on new identities, and begin a life-long adventure. It's an adventure that thousands before you have made and thousands after you will make; as you join something that has shaped the world around you, with these fellow travellers, you will learn how to shape the world ahead.

LSE is perhaps the most global university on earth, situated in the heart of one of the world's most cosmopolitan cities. Here you will meet people from every corner of our planet, and you will encounter – and be challenged by – ideas you may have never even considered. The unique environment this endless diversity creates on our campus and in your classrooms is one of LSE's greatest strengths, fostering the kind of debate and discussion needed to deepen our understanding of causes and make us capable of bettering society. Now that you are here, I urge you to listen, but also to add your voice, change your mind, change other people's minds, learn, grow, evolve, and be part of ongoing conversations that have shaped society from its beginnings – and have fun doing it.

Preparing for Welcome

This guide will help you take advantage of everything on offer during Welcome, highlighting useful information to help you settle in, and telling you about all the services available to you, both now and throughout your studies. You can find further information on our **Welcome website** and on the **Student Hub app**.

I hope you enjoy your first weeks at LSE, and that you find your entire time here stimulating and rewarding.

Best,

Larry Kramer

LSE President and Vice Chancellor






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What is Welcome?

Welcome is a programme of activities and events that will help you become **#partofLSE**. You will interact with new people, learn what to expect from your LSE education, and complete key administrative tasks.

When is Welcome?

The main Welcome period takes place on **Friday 20 September** and from **Monday 23 to Friday 27 September**.

How should I plan my time?

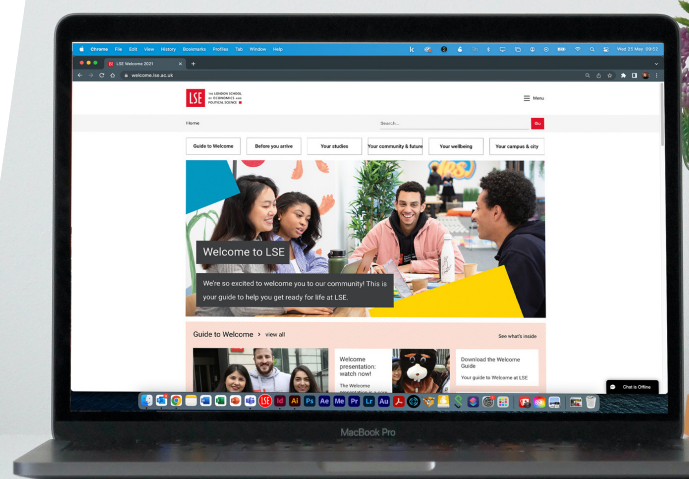
Some Welcome activities and events are compulsory, such as online pre-enrolment, campus enrolment, your Welcome Presentation and your departmental orientation events.

Most events are optional, so take time deciding what events will be of benefit to you during your time at LSE. Prioritise the events that are most relevant to your interests, whether you want information about living in London, joining clubs and societies, a head-start on developing your study skills, or a mixture of them all.

Check out the list of online events (welcome.lse.ac.uk) that we are hosting. Go to your Welcome events checklist to make a list of the events that you want to attend.

Welcome Website

You can find everything you need to help you get ready for life at LSE at welcome.lse.ac.uk. From discovering the communities you can join, to study tips and advice from students. Find out how to make the most of your time here.





Where can I go for help during Welcome?

Help Points

If you are on campus, you can always ask at one of our student-run help points! They'll be able to point you in the right direction.

The LSE Welcome Square

The LSE Welcome Square – located outside the Centre Building (CBG) – is the place to visit to find out about the different opportunities and types of support you can benefit from while at LSE. It's also a great place to meet students from other departments and programmes of study.

Student Services Centre (SSC)

If you are unable to find your answer, you can contact the Student Services Centre (SSC). Visit lse.ac.uk/SSC for opening hours, talk to us on the [SSC Live Chat](#), or fill out an [enquiry form](#). Please bear in mind that some queries will take longer than others to answer and we may not be able to give you a response immediately on [SSC Live Chat](#). We aim to respond to enquiries in three to five working days.

How to Guides

You can find a comprehensive list of Frequently Asked Questions (and answers) at lse.ac.uk/welcomeHowToGuides

 [Student Hub, LSE's app](#)

 [@LSENews](#)

 [@londonschoolofeconomics](#)

Student Services Centre (SSC)





Your checklist: before Welcome

Some of the most important things you can do to prepare for your arrival at LSE:

- 1 Complete your online pre-enrolment.** You will be asked as part of the online pre-enrolment process to provide your contact address and to activate your LSE network and email account. Visit lse.ac.uk/enrolment for more information.
- 2 Download your pre-enrolment pass on your mobile device** (students who are required to enrol via the online pre-enrolment portal, will be emailed a PDF pre-enrolment pass at the end of online pre-enrolment) to access LSE buildings before you get your LSE card at your campus enrolment session.
- 3 Select your LSE100 theme choice.** If you are a new first year undergraduate student, you will be asked to select one of three themes to focus on **during LSE100** as part of your online pre-enrolment process.
- 4 Activate Eduroam WiFi when you arrive on campus.** You can then use your LSE network account to log into the Eduroam WiFi network.
- 5 Read a range of Welcome-related information** at welcome.lse.ac.uk
- 6 International students: read the guidance from the Student Advice and Engagement Team** at lse.ac.uk/studentadvice
- 7 Complete your online Consent.Ed training** - once you've enrolled, you'll need to take the **online course** before signing up to an in-person session.
- 8 Keep an eye out for emails** from your new academic department and read them carefully.
- 9 Download the LSE Student Hub app** to start connecting with your department and course mates.
- 10 Complete your halls online induction.** This is compulsory if you are living in **LSE accommodation**.
- 11 Start following @LSEnews** and your academic department on X. LSE is also on Instagram **@Londonschoolofeconomics**
- 12 Build your personal Welcome events timetable** and make sure to sign-up to any events you are interested in.
- 13 Check out Prepare to Learn** at LSE, the online, independent-study course for **undergraduates** and **postgraduates** to learn about what it's like to be a student at LSE.



Online pre-enrol as a student at LSE

What is online pre-enrolment?

Online pre-enrolment is one of your first compulsory activities.

The online pre-enrolment process will help to ensure that we have all the necessary and up-to-date information about you. As part of the online pre-enrolment process, you will be asked to:

- 1 Check your address, emergency contact information and the monitoring information that you provided when you applied. Update this if applicable.
- 2 Provide some additional information for the LSE Careers Team – this is to help us better understand what support we can provide for you.
- 3 Register to vote.
- 4 Confirm your acceptance of the Conditions of Registration and Enrolment.
- 5 Download a temporary pre-enrolment pass that you can use on campus when you first arrive.

Most new students will be required to online pre-enrol. If your programme requires you to online pre-enrol, you will be sent an email notification with full instructions on how to complete the process.

Once you have online pre-enrolled, you will have some access to online teaching and learning resources.

When you arrive on campus, you will be required to attend a campus enrolment session. Further information about campus enrolment can be found in the “[Arriving at LSE](#)” section of this Welcome Guide.



Find tech support

As part of your online pre-enrolment, you will need to activate your LSE network and email accounts. You will then have access to online learning resources.

How to contact LSE Tech Support:

Phone: +44 (0)20 7107 5000

Email: tech.support@lse.ac.uk

You can visit us for in person support at the Tech Centre, based on the 1st floor of the Library building. For more information visit lse.ac.uk/techsupport

Download our app, the Student Hub

The Student Hub is LSE's app, designed to help you navigate your day-to-day life at LSE. With the Student Hub, you can:

- Explore your personalised Welcome calendar
- View your timetable and upcoming deadlines
- Keep up to date with news and events from around LSE
- Book appointments with academic staff (office hours) and support services
- Find your way around with the campus map

Download the app now to discover what the Student Hub can do!

- Download on the [App Store](#) (iOS)
- Get it on [Google Play](#) (Android)
- Use the [Student Hub web app](#)



How do I sign up to the Hub?

If you've already enrolled and set up your IT account, you can sign up with your LSE username and password. Not enrolled yet? No problem. You can also sign up using the email address and password that you use for LSE For You.



Build your personal Welcome events timetable

To help you manage your time, we recommend using this list and noting down the events you are interested in attending.

Compulsory:

- 1 Find out your campus enrolment session** at lse.ac.uk/enrolment
- 2 Sign up to a Welcome presentation session** at welcome.lse.ac.uk
- 3 Identify your academic department's orientation events** at welcome.lse.ac.uk. Your department will run a mixture of online and on campus events and you should plan to attend them.

Optional:

- 4 Check out the Welcome website and the Student Hub** to browse all the Welcome events that are available and create your own events timetable.
- 5 Visit LSESU (lsesu.com)** to find out what events your Students' Union has planned. Check to see if you need to register your interest in advance. Some events fill up quickly!
- 6 Sign-up to your hall's welcome events and activities** - halls students will receive emails about these opportunities.
- 7 Free time? Fill it with a self-guided campus tour or a local history tour.**

Welcome is just the start of your time at LSE, so don't feel like you will miss out if you don't get to experience every optional event that you are interested in. Some of these events will be available for you to watch back in your own time.



Your checklist: during Welcome

Compulsory during Welcome:

- 1 Watch your Welcome Presentation at welcome.lse.ac.uk
- 2 Attend the orientation events organised by your academic department. You can find a list of events at welcome.lse.ac.uk

Recommended during Welcome:

- 3 Select your courses by following the instructions in the "Select your courses" section.
- 4 Attend any of the optional Welcome events.
- 5 Sign-up for clubs and societies at the LSESU Freshers Fair or online at lsesu.com



Watch your Welcome Presentation

What is the Welcome Presentation?

Your Welcome Presentation is your opportunity to learn about what it means to be part of the LSE community and our opportunity to welcome you to it.

Your Welcome Presentation will offer you an introduction to LSE from key members of staff. It will include information about the many opportunities and support available to you while you study.

It is compulsory for you to watch your Welcome Presentation. You can **sign up to watch the presentation** once you have completed online pre-enrolment. You can sign up to one of two live sessions:

- 12 noon -1pm (BST), Tuesday 17 September
- 2-3pm (BST), Wednesday 18 September.

You should aim to watch it live on the release date, however if you miss the Welcome Presentation, you can watch the recording online. Keep an eye on welcome.lse.ac.uk and LSE social media channels for further information.





Select your courses and view your timetable

Your degree programme comprises several courses, which are usually worth a half (0.5) or a full (1.0) unit. Undergraduate students will take courses to the value of 4.5 units per year. The number of courses postgraduate students take varies by programme but can be found at lse.ac.uk/calendar. You'll find out more about this in the orientation events run by your department.

If you are taking an undergraduate or master's degree (including MRes) you should follow these instructions. If you are an executive or PhD student, you will receive separate guidance from your Programme Manager or the PhD Academy respectively.

When should I select my courses?

- Undergraduate course selection will open at 10am on Tuesday 10 September.
- Postgraduate course selection will open for browsing (to practice using the system) at 10am on Monday 23 September. Course selection will open fully at 10am on Thursday 26 September.
- You'll need to have completed all of your admissions paperwork and set up your LSE IT account before you can begin selecting courses.
- You should finalise your undergraduate course selection by 5pm on Monday 14 October. For postgraduates, by 5pm on Friday 11 October. In exceptional circumstances, academic departments can approve changes after this date. All approved changes must be completed in accordance with the deadlines and procedures documented on the [webpage](#).



How do I select my courses?

1 Find the courses you would like to take

Go to lse.ac.uk/findCourses to access the tools and information to help you decide which courses you want to take this academic year. Make sure you identify a few “back-up” courses in case your first choice is not available!

2 Select those courses on LSE for You

Go to lse.ac.uk/selectCourses for step-by-step instructions about how to choose your courses on **LSE for You**. Remember to select any compulsory courses and if applicable, your dissertation!

3 Check your timetable and Moodle enrolments

Undergraduate students are allocated to all teaching centrally. You will be able to view your personal timetable in **Student LSE for You** from Friday 27 September.

Postgraduate students may be able to use seminar sign-up in **LSE for You**. You will be able to view your personal timetable in **Student LSE for You** from Friday 27 September.

You will automatically be given access to the Moodle page for your selected courses a few hours after selecting them on **LSE for You**.

How do I find out more?

Visit lse.ac.uk/courseSelection or lse.ac.uk/timetablepublication for detailed information and FAQs.





Pay your fees and manage your finances

Fees, Income and Credit Control (FICC) can assist with all your tuition and accommodation fee enquiries. The Financial Support Office (FSO) is responsible for administering a variety of scholarships, bursaries, studentships and funds for current students.

When do I need to pay my tuition fees?

If you have not paid your tuition fees in full before you enrol you will be placed on a termly payment plan. You are expected to pay one third of your fees by each deadline.

Please note: alternative due dates may operate for some non-standard fees or executive courses; refer to lse.ac.uk/ficc for details.

How can I pay my tuition fees?

Visit lse.ac.uk/feePayments to find out about the different payment methods available.

What is the Finance Hub?

You can access your financial information in the Finance Hub; to access the Finance Hub please visit lse.t1cloud.com

Key features of the Hub include:

- Single sign on via your LSE network account (@lse.ac.uk)
- View/download fee invoices
- View your payment plans for tuition and accommodation fees
- View/download receipts of payment
- Check status of sponsored fees/ payment (if applicable)
- View fee and maintenance scholarships
- Submit/view bank details for maintenance scholarships
- View US Federal loans (if applicable)
- Submit refund requests for overpayments
- Submit a question or raise a query
- Make a payment
- View a summary of financials

Payment deadlines

Autumn Term: 28 October 2024

Winter Term: 28 January 2025

Spring Term: 28 April 2025



When will I receive my funding?

You will need to be enrolled on your programme of study before any scholarship or bursary payments can be made.

Any scholarship amount going towards tuition fees will automatically credit your tuition fee account after you have enrolled for your studies.

Any scholarship amount for living costs will be paid during the first week of term to the UK bank account you have saved in the Finance Hub. Visit lse.ac.uk/FSOMaintenancePayments for more information.

Most LSE Bursary payments are made by Student Finance according to the payment schedule in your notification letter. Visit lse.ac.uk/FSOBursaries for more information.

Problems with finances?

Please contact us if you have any questions about your LSE funding or have any funding related queries. If you experience financial difficulties, contact us as soon as possible to talk about your options.

Phone, email or join a one-to-one Zoom Drop-in Session: lse.ac.uk/financialdropin, call or email for further advice and information.

Contact us:

Financial Support Office

+44 (0)20 7955 6609

financial-support@lse.ac.uk

lse.ac.uk/financialsupport

Fees, Income and Credit Control

+44 (0)20 7107 5555

fees@lse.ac.uk

[info.lse.ac.uk/staff/divisions/
Finance-Division/Fees-Income-
and-Credit-Control](https://info.lse.ac.uk/staff/divisions/Finance-Division/Fees-Income-and-Credit-Control)





Arriving at LSE

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Your checklist: Arriving at LSE

Compulsory

- 1** Attend your campus enrolment session. If you arrive outside of the main Welcome period, you will need to book a campus enrolment slot. Visit lse.ac.uk/enrolment for more information.
- 2** Update your contact (term-time) address to your London address and your emergency contact information in new Student LfY, if these have changed since you provided the information during online pre-enrolment. You must do this before requesting any documentation. Please visit lse.ac.uk/studentletters for more information.

Optional:

- 3** Investigate opening a UK student bank account
- 4** Find out if you're eligible to apply for the Council Tax exemption
- 5** Register with a doctor in London
- 6** Consider ordering a discounted student travel card



Complete your campus enrolment

What is campus enrolment?

Campus enrolment is one of your first compulsory activities when you arrive on campus. It is where a member of LSE staff will check your eligibility to study and issue you with your LSE card.

When and where will campus enrolment take place?

If you are arriving during the main Welcome period (Friday 20 September and Monday 23 to Friday 27 September), you will have a designated campus enrolment session, at the same time as others on your programme. Campus enrolment will take place in the Marshall Building Great Hall, or the Student Services Centre (SSC), Ground Floor, Old Building.

Date, time and location of your campus enrolment is subject to your programme. You can find out when your programme's campus enrolment session is by visiting lse.ac.uk/enrolment

Please make sure that you arrive on time to the correct session as you may be turned away if you come at the wrong time.

If you arrive after the main Welcome period, you should book a campus enrolment slot. For further information, please visit [Arriving after Welcome](#).

What do I need to bring to campus enrolment?

The documents you need will vary according to your nationality and immigration status. Ensure that you bring your original documents (not photocopies) along with you to campus enrolment. We cannot accept photocopies/pictures of documents. You will find information about what you should bring to campus enrolment on our [What to Bring to Campus Enrolment webpage](#).

Please remember to check back regularly as the page may be subject to change.





Request student status documentation

If you need to provide evidence that you are a student at LSE to an external body, you can use a Certificate of Enrolment. This is a document that confirms your student status.

The Certificate of Enrolment can be used for a variety of purposes, including: opening student bank accounts, Council Tax discounts or exemptions, registering with a doctor and applying for non-UK travel visas.

Once you have formally enrolled onto your programme of study, the certificate will confirm that you are a student enrolled at the LSE for the current academic year.

Requesting a standard self-service Certificate of Enrolment

There is a self-service system for generating a standard Certificate of Enrolment. You can request a self-generated certificate only once you have enrolled on your programme of study. Once you have submitted your request, the Certificate of Enrolment will be generated automatically as a headed PDF and emailed directly to your LSE email address. It will also be electronically stamped and signed.

Requesting a customised (bespoke) Certificate of Enrolment

Sometimes you might be asked to provide information that is not included on a standard Certificate of Enrolment. If this happens, you can request a customised (bespoke) certificate. This option is for you if, for example, you are awaiting online pre-enrolment, or if you need the certificate to apply for a non-UK travel visa and the embassy of the country you plan to visit requires an original stamp and signature.

More information and making requests

For more information about the types of documents available, and to access the enquiry form to make your request, please visit lse.ac.uk/studentletters

Please note that during peak periods – such as at the start of the academic year – bespoke letters can take at least five working days to produce.



Open a student bank account

Opening a student bank account can take time and patience, particularly for international students.

1 Keep your addresses up to date

Banks often require documentation, including a letter from LSE, that includes your contact (term-time) and permanent (home) address.

2 Research the best bank account for you

Although LSE is unable to recommend a bank, you will find a list of banks and links to their websites to help you.

3 Find out what documents you need to open an account

Each bank requires different documentation, and they are very specific about the format of the documentation they will accept. Always confirm what you will need with the bank branch where you plan to open your account.

4 Request a bank letter from LSE (if needed)

The Student Services Centre can provide a letter, if needed, to prove your enrolment status for the purpose of opening a bank account.

The majority of banks will require you to prove that you are a fully enrolled student. You should therefore request the letter once you have completed pre-enrolment and campus enrolment.

5 Make an appointment with the bank

Some branches allow you to drop in at any time, while others require you to book an appointment. You may be able to book an appointment before you arrive in London. Appointments at branches local to LSE fill up quickly, so think about opening your account at a different branch. Once your account is set up, you can usually do business with any branch of your bank.

How do I find out more?

Visit lse.ac.uk/bankAccounts for further information.





Apply for Council Tax exemption or discount

Council Tax is paid to your local authority or “Council” as a contribution toward the running costs of public services in your community.

Am I entitled to an exemption or discount?

If all the people who live in your home are full-time students, it is likely that the property will qualify for an exemption for the duration of your studies, although you may be asked to re-apply annually.

If you are a full-time student living with one other non-student adult, it may be possible to get a discount. If you live with more than one non-student adult, it is unlikely that the property will be eligible for a discount. For further information and useful links visit our [webpage](#).

What if I live in halls?

Students in LSE-owned halls are automatically exempt from paying Council Tax. If you live in intercollegiate or privately-owned halls (eg, Unite, Urbanest) you may need to provide a Council Tax letter to your hall management team. Please check with your hall reception.

Do I have to pay Council Tax if I arrive early?

If you move into your accommodation before you are fully enrolled, you may be liable for Council Tax.

Do international students have to pay?

Council Tax rules apply to all students, regardless of nationality. Visit ukcisa.org.uk for more information.

How do I apply for an exemption or discount?

The process will vary depending on where you live, so check with your local council directly. It is highly likely that you will need proof of your student status. Please refer to the information and follow the steps in the “[Request student status documentation](#)” section of this guide.





Know where to get visa advice

The Student Advice and Engagement Team are here to help you navigate the UK immigration rules for students. We can provide confidential advice on several immigration-related issues. To find out more, visit lse.ac.uk/studentadvice

Essential tasks for international students during Welcome

- 1 If you have a **digital status** rather than a physical visa, create a Share Code in advance of enrolment. It will make the experience much quicker for you.
- 2 Collect your Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) and keep it somewhere safe. Your BRP is your visa; it is not an identity card. Don't carry it with you daily. They are expensive and time consuming to replace. Losing your BRP overseas can affect your studies.
- 3 Check the information on your BRP is correct as soon as you collect it. Find out more by visiting lse.ac.uk/yourVisa. Report any errors within 10 working days or it may not be possible to change it.
- 4 Know what you can and can't do if you have a Student visa, especially if you are considering working. Get it right rather than take a risk. Search "student visa compliance" and "working during your studies" on the LSE website.

How can I contact the Student Advice and Engagement Team?

Visit lse.ac.uk/studentadvice to find out about our team and online enquiry form.



Your checklist: first few weeks

Welcome is just the start of your journey at LSE but we realise that there are many aspects which will help you feel more like a #partofLSE. In the next sections, we cover your education, your skills and opportunities, your support, and living in London, to help you navigate the learning curve and get the most out of your experience.

First few weeks

- 1 Make sure to finalise your course selection** by 5pm on Monday 14 October (undergraduates) and 5pm on Friday 11 October (postgraduates).
- 2 Familiarise yourself with key LSE services.** You can find out about the services offered by the Library, LSE LIFE, the Language Centre, LSE Careers, LSE Generate (home for entrepreneurship), the Volunteer Centre, the Faith Centre and more throughout this guide.
- 3 Meet with the Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS)** to set up your “My Adjustments” if you have a disability or long-term medical condition or to find out other ways that LSE can support you.
- 4 Find out about the role of your Academic Mentor and your responsibilities as a Mentee** [here](#). Read more about the peer support networks available to you in the “Find Support from your Peers” section of this guide.
- 5 Learn about campus facilities** by reading the [Facilities Guide](#) and programme key emergency contacts (eg, LSE Security) into your mobile phone.
- 6 Explore different ways of saving money as a student.** There’s the Food Club by LSE (info.lse.ac.uk/food-club) as well as nation-wide services such as NUS TOTUM (www.totum.com), and UNiDAYS (www.myunidays.com). Several local businesses also offer a discount upon presentation of an LSE card.
- 7 Register to vote.** Visit gov.uk/register-to-vote to check your eligibility and register to vote. International students: search “UKCISA voting” online for guidance about the electoral process in the UK.



Your Education

[Welcome to LSE100: new undergraduate students](#) ↘

[Get to know LSE Library](#) ↘

[Check out LSE LIFE](#) ↘

[Learn about LSE's other online systems and resources](#) ↘

[Make the most of the Language Centre](#) ↘



LSE100

Welcome to LSE100

LSE100 is LSE's flagship interdisciplinary course taken by all undergraduate students in the first year of your degree programme. The course is designed to develop your capacity to tackle multidimensional problems through research-rich education, giving you the opportunity to explore transformative global challenges in collaboration with peers from other departments and leading academics from across the School.

Choosing your LSE100 theme

Before enrolling at LSE, you will have the opportunity to select one of three themes to focus on during LSE100, each of which foregrounds a complex and pressing question facing social scientists. In 2024/25, the available themes are:

- How can we control AI?
- How can we transform our climate futures?
- How can we create a fair society?

For more information about each theme, visit the LSE100 [Welcome page](#).

You will select your theme during the online pre-enrolment process before arriving on campus – further information about this process can be found in the “[Online pre-enrol as a student at LSE](#)” section of this Welcome Guide.

How will I study in LSE100?

LSE100 is a half unit running across the Autumn and Winter terms in your first year of study. Over the course of these two terms, you will attend ten 90-minute interactive, discussion-based seminars in alternating weeks. Before each seminar, you will watch short online video lectures featuring leading LSE academics and complete carefully selected readings to explore ideas and arguments from across the social sciences.





How will I be assessed?

Your LSE100 mark will be based on two summative assessments: one individual written assessment (50%) and one group research project (50%) that you will submit and present as a team. Your final mark in LSE100 will be included with your other first year marks and, if it is one of your six best marks, will count towards your overall first year average.

Learn more about LSE100 during Welcome 2024

During Welcome, you are invited to attend an LSE100 Welcome session taking place in LSE LIFE. This interactive session will give you more information about what to expect during your time on LSE100 and is an opportunity for you to meet other students from around the School! To find out when and where your session is running, check your Welcome calendar on Student Hub or visit our [Welcome page](#) for more information.

Chat with the LSE100 team

We have a team answering your enquiries from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Email us and we will be happy to help answer any questions you may have about LSE100 – get in touch at LSE100@lse.ac.uk. You can also visit the LSE100 Course Office in KSW 4.10 - check out our Moodle page to find the Course Office opening times.

We're [online](#), on [LinkedIn](#), on [Moodle](#), on the [Student Hub](#), and on the fourth floor of 20 Kingsway (KSW). To find out more about LSE100, check out lse.ac.uk/LSE100 and follow us on X [@TheLSECourse](#).





Get to know LSE Library

LSE Library is one of the most important social sciences libraries in the world and we have the material you need for your studies and research. We provide access to books, journals, primary sources and more, both in print and online.

Essential books on your reading list will often be available both in print and online, whilst essential articles should be available online. This gives you easy access to the materials you need, wherever you are. You can access these resources via the Library catalogue or your online reading list, signing in with your LSE email address and password.

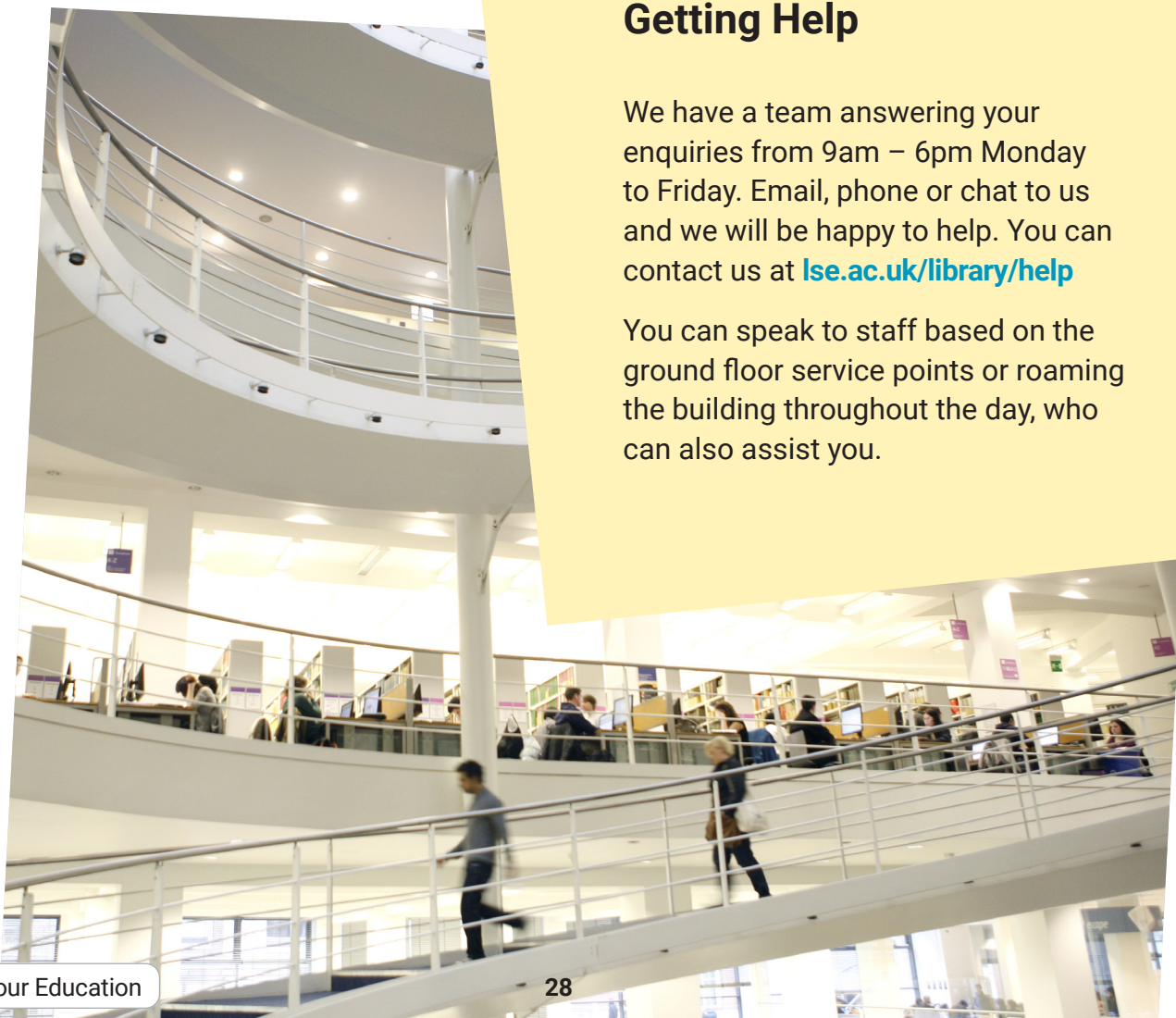
If you are on campus and wish to borrow books, essential books will be held in the Course Collection, located on the first floor. Background books or wider social sciences titles will be held in the Main Collection, on the first, second and third floors.



Getting Help

We have a team answering your enquiries from 9am – 6pm Monday to Friday. Email, phone or chat to us and we will be happy to help. You can contact us at lse.ac.uk/library/help

You can speak to staff based on the ground floor service points or roaming the building throughout the day, who can also assist you.





Explore the Library during Welcome

Interested in knowing more about using the Library and how we can help? Join us at our Getting Started sessions in LSE LIFE Workspace 2 every day during the main Welcome period.

Meet your librarian

We have a team of librarians that provide subject expertise and personalised support to LSE students, staff and researchers.

Contact your librarian for more in-depth support at lse.ac.uk/academicsupportlibrarian

Locate resources on your subject

The Library Resources Guide highlights the key resources you'll need for your studies at lse.ac.uk/library/resourcesguide, including e-books, databases, news and more.

Borrowing books

If you are on campus, use your LSE card and the self-service machines on the ground floor to borrow books. Visit lse.ac.uk/library/borrow for further information.

Books are now renewed automatically but requested items must be returned by the due date.

Study Spaces

We have a range of study rooms and spaces available to book in advance. Visit lse.ac.uk/library/using-the-library/using-the-space-and-facilities for further details.

Contact us:

library.enquiries@lse.ac.uk

lse.ac.uk/library/resourcesguide



Check out LSE LIFE

LSE LIFE is the place to come to develop the skills you'll need to reach your goals at LSE – for your academic work and for personal or professional pursuits. We are here to help you find your own ways to study and learn and figure out what success means to you. Think about where your studies might lead you and let us help you make the most of your time at LSE.

The LSE LIFE team, together with colleagues from LSE Careers, the Library, the Digital Skills Lab, the Language Centre, and other specialists from around the School, offer you:

- **Hands-on, practical workshops** throughout the year, both online and on campus, where you can get advice on key areas of university work including: effective reading and note-making, academic writing, critical thinking, managing your dissertation research, and organising your time.
- **Interactive sessions to learn ways** to adapt and thrive in new or challenging situations, including developing skills for leadership, study/work/life balance, and life beyond university.
- **One-to-one appointments** with our team of study advisers to talk about any aspect of your life and work at LSE.
- **Online resources** to help you with course work, dissertation research, personal development and more.
- **Opportunities to meet with specialists** to learn about finding and referencing academic sources, English language advice, statistics, and more.
- **Special events** to take advantage of what LSE and London have to offer.
- **A bright, open space to study on your own or work together** with classmates or students from other courses and departments – on the ground floor of the Library.
- **A friendly welcome** at our reception and a place to ask for information about the many services and opportunities across the School. Even if what you're looking for isn't at LSE LIFE, they'll help you figure out where you can find it.



Want to know more?

- Attend a Discover LSE LIFE session on the ground floor of the Library everyday during Welcome. No booking necessary.
- Sign up to the [LSE LIFE weekly update](#).
- Check out lse.ac.uk/lselife, where you can book a place on a [workshop or event](#), check out [resources on Moodle](#), make an appointment for a [one-to-one chat with an LSE LIFE study adviser](#), or just drop by to discover what's going on at LSE LIFE. We're on the ground floor of the Library, Monday to Friday, from 10am – 6pm.

Learn what it's like to study and learn at university, in the UK, and most importantly, at LSE with [Prepare to Learn at LSE](#), the online, independent-study course for [undergraduates](#) and [postgraduates](#).

Sign up to [LSE LIFE's weekly update](#) to get the latest news on what's on offer.

Get in touch at lselife@lse.ac.uk
lse.ac.uk/lselife





Learn about LSE's other online systems and resources

There are several online tools that are designed to help you with all aspects of your studies at LSE.

LSE Calendar

lse.ac.uk/calendar

An online resource that contains course guides (a list and description of all the courses LSE offers), programme regulations and School/academic regulations. These set out the “ground rules” for your programme, so it is useful to bookmark for future reference.

Moodle

moodle.lse.ac.uk

Moodle is LSE's virtual learning environment.

The majority of taught courses have a corresponding course on Moodle, the online learning platform used at LSE. Moodle courses contain essential resources such as lecture slides, lecture recordings and reading lists. Moodle also enables activities such as quizzes and discussion forums and allows for online assignment submission, marking and feedback. How Moodle is used is determined by the course convenor and so this may vary from course to course. LSE also provides a Moodle Archive service which provides teachers and students with a snapshot of previous year's courses.



Training and Development System

apps.lse.ac.uk/training-system

Allows you to book a place on many of the personal development opportunities offered by services across LSE.

Digital Skills Lab

lse.ac.uk/digital-skills-lab

Learn digital skills that will help you with your studies, future career, and personal development with the Digital Skills Lab. Our aim is to enable students to become digitally confident social scientists. We offer training and support on:

- Analysis (Excel, R, Python, Power BI, Stata, Tableau, SPSS, SQL, NVivo)
- Writing (Word, LaTeX)
- Presentation (PowerPoint, Sway)
- Data collection (SQL, Qualtrics, Forms)
- AI literacy (Copilot)
- Cloud storage, collaboration, backup and version control (Teams, OneDrive, GitHub)
- Digital assistive technology (text to speech, speech to text, dictation, notetaking, recording and transcription, live captions, mind mapping).

Independent study materials, daily in-person workshops, bootcamps and one-to-one sessions are available.

Find out more by visiting info.lse.ac.uk/current-students/digital-skills-lab





Make the most of the Language Centre

Whether you are an international student looking for support with your English, are interested in taking one of our courses as a degree option, want to learn a new language or improve your current language, the Language Centre is here to help.

Can you help me with my English language skills?

If English is not your first language, our support programme can offer help and advice throughout your degree. Best of all, it is free! English for Academic Writing courses are available for any taught student who does not have English as a first language. These weekly classes are taught throughout the Autumn and Winter Term and can help with academic writing for coursework. This support is delivered with LSE LIFE (lse.ac.uk/lselife). You can find out more information on what is on offer and how to sign up [here](#).

Can I take a language course as part of my degree programme?

You may be eligible to take a language, literature or linguistics course as part of your degree programme. You can find out about our courses and your undergraduate degree [here](#).

Can I learn a language in my own time?

Any LSE student can sign-up for an extracurricular non-degree language course. As part of the LSE Language Policy, if you are a UK-EU undergraduate student and you do not have a modern language at GCSE Grade 4 (or equivalent), you are eligible to take a non-degree language course for free! You can find out more information on what is on offer and how to sign up [here](#).

Contact us:

How to contact the Language Centre

lse.ac.uk/languages

 [@lselangcentre](https://twitter.com/lselangcentre)

 [@lselanguages](https://www.instagram.com/lselanguages)

[More ways to contact us](#)



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Get started with LSE Careers

LSE Careers is here to help you understand, identify and work towards your career goals.

Whether you already know where you want to go or you've barely even thought about the word "career" since writing your personal statement, LSE Careers can help you connect with your future. This could be working with you to understand yourself and how this can contribute to your next steps, or it could be providing opportunities for you to explore different sectors, get insights from LSE alumni, or meet with employers looking to recruit LSE graduates.

Before the start of term

Want to get exploring how you can make the most of LSE Careers? Head on over to the [LSE Careers website](#) and [LSE Careers blog](#). Here, you'll find a range of information and resources on everything from where to start thinking about your career through to top tips for your CV, cover letter or applications.

Here are a few key links you might like to check out:

- Explore [careers information and resources](#) before the start of term
- Browse our [employment sector guides](#)
- Find out more about dedicated [careers support for students from underrepresented groups](#).

Once you get to campus

As an LSE student, in addition to accessing all the information available on the LSE Careers website and blog, you'll also be able to:

- Meet and connect with employers and alumni at our careers events and fairs.
- Get support and clarity on your next steps at a one-to-one careers appointment.
- Browse part-time work opportunities, graduate roles, and vacancies for experienced hires on our curated jobs board.

To access any of the above, you'll need to log into your [CareerHub account](#), which you'll have access to the day after you register as a student at LSE.

Get in touch:

Visit our Resource Centre on the Fifth Floor of the Saw Swee Hock Student Centre. We're open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

+44 (0)20 7955 7135

[Online chat](#)

lse.ac.uk/careers

careers@lse.ac.uk

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GET TO KNOW YOUR STUDENT UNION AT LSE (LSESU)



We're LSESU – a not-for-profit organisation led by LSE students, for LSE students. Our job is to help you get the most out of your time at university, whatever that might look like. You are automatically registered as an LSESU member when you arrive at LSE.

YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

First and foremost, LSESU is a student-led organisation. As a student at LSE, you'll elect Sabbatical Officers and Part-Time Officers who will represent and support you throughout your studies. Their job is to lead LSESU, take action to help improve your university experience, and campaign on the issues that matter most to you.

All LSE students can:

- Join a student-led society or sports club to learn new skills and meet new people.
- Campaign for change on campus, and on local, national, and global issues you care about.
- Attend some of the best social events on and off campus, hosted by LSESU.
- Get free, confidential, and independent advice on academic, housing, financial, and wellness issues through our LSESU Advice Service
- Sign up to Level Up Fitness (LSESU Gym), supported by personal training experts, at the best prices in and around Holborn.
- Book and use SU Spaces in the Marshall Building (MAR).

Find out more at lsesu.com

Questions about LSE, your Students' Union, or life in London?

Your Sabbatical Officers are here to help! You can find them in the Saw Swee Hock Student Centre or visit lsesu.com/contact and drop them an email.



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LAUREN AMDOR
ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITIES OFFICER



WAJIHA UMAR
EDUCATION OFFICER



SANA AGARWAL
WELFARE AND LIBERATION OFFICER



GET INVOLVED WITH LSESU

With over 250+ student-run clubs and societies on offer, you're certain to find something for you at LSESU. Whether you want to play a competitive sport, write for the student newspaper, or even give bee-keeping a go, joining a club or society is a great way to meet like-minded people and potentially learn a new skill.

Visit llesu.com/communities/societies for a full list of clubs, societies, and activities.

Saw Swee Hock Centre: Your union building

- Basement and Mezzanine: The Venue A huge, multi-functional space that can host anything from club nights to theatre productions, and so much more.
- Ground Floor: The Three Tuns Your very own student bar, offering a chilled-out space for you to meet with new friends on campus over a very well-priced drink.
- 1st Floor: The Denning Learning Café Serving fresh coffee and delicious snacks, the Denning is the perfect place to unwind, catch up with friends, or get a bit of work done.
- 2nd Floor: Faith Centre A peaceful space open to all faiths that host a range of events throughout the year.
- 3rd Floor: LSESU Offices Home to our SU Staff. If you have any questions, email su.info@lse.ac.uk or follow @llesu on all social media platforms for the latest info.
- 4th Floor: Level Up Fitness A gym open exclusively to LSE students, staff and alumni. Packed with top of the range equipment, with the best prices you'll find in and around Holborn. For more information visit llesu.com/social/gym or email su.gym@lse.ac.uk
- 5th Floor: Careers Centre A place to get some future advice and chat about all things post university.
- 6th Floor: Fitness Studio A great splace for dance rehearsals, yoga, and much more. Situated right next to a cosy seating area, and roof terrace with stunning views of central London.





Marshall Building

- The SU spaces in the Marshall Building (ground floor, -1, -2) is the home of:
 - A multifunctional sports hall
 - 2x squash courts
 - Weston rehearsal studio
 - 3x music practice rooms
 - Strength and conditioning suite (part of Level Up Fitness)
- For more information, visit **Marshall Building (llesu.com)**, or email **su.marshall@lse.ac.uk**
- At LSESU, we are committed to having student focused spaces, and are proud to provide them free of charge for members of LSESU clubs and societies (excluding strength and conditioning suite).



For all the latest LSESU news and events:

 @llesu

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Make a difference through volunteering

The LSE Volunteer Centre is here to inspire and empower you to volunteer for causes that you are passionate about during your time at LSE. Volunteering is a great way to help develop personal and professional skills, meet new people and make a difference in your community. We are committed to making volunteering exciting and accessible, and we collaborate with students to enhance their volunteering experiences.

Information and Advice

We offer a range of ways to get involved from the start of your LSE journey, including connecting students with long-term and short-term volunteering with our hundreds of charity partners and one-off opportunities throughout term on campus. We begin each term with a Volunteering Fair, where we invite over 50 charity partners onto campus to speak directly with students. We also host a charity on campus weekly for Charity Tuesday, to spread awareness of their mission and volunteering opportunities. At any point of the year, students have access to our ongoing volunteering vacancy board, updated daily with opportunities from charity partners. You can book a meeting with our Volunteer Centre Manager for one-to-one support.

Contact us:

volunteer@lse.ac.uk



Volunteering Programmes

The Volunteer Centre also runs multiple exciting voluntary programmes, including the consultancy with the Community Engagement Programme, the Research Volunteering Scheme, an initiative for volunteer researchers, and Community Action Projects, an opportunity to develop your own volunteering project. These programmes offer students the chance to work with other students, collaborate directly with charities, and use their degree knowledge with the mentorship and support of the Volunteer Centre. These programmes are application-based, and information is available on how to apply during Autumn Term.

You can find out more, as well as the advice and support we can offer, at lse.ac.uk/volunteercentre or by following [@LSEVolunteering](https://twitter.com/LSEVolunteering).



“Volunteering was one of the highlights of my LSE experience, not only did it teach me values and skills that I’ll take forward with me long after I graduate, but it also allowed me to connect with students who have the same passions that I do.”

Abigail Williams
BSC in Politics and History, 2022



LSE Generate

Welcome to Generate – the home of student and alumni entrepreneurship at LSE. We aim to support socially responsible businesses at any stage of their business venture, here in the UK and across the globe via our international innovation hubs.

We offer a massive range of innovative events and digital resources to help develop your entrepreneurial skills and your fantastic ventures. Fancy a peek at what we have to offer? Here's an overview to give you a quick taster!

1 Browse our website

Have a nosy around our website to discover what we have on offer for students and alumni. We offer one-to-one business support clinics, international entrepreneurship bootcamps and retreats, tailored programmes for female founders, neurodiversity and disability founders and food and beverage, startup competitions and business fundamentals workshop series. Not to mention our flagship accelerator programme for early-stage businesses and so much more!

2 Come visit us

We would love to welcome you to our co-working space at the heart of the LSE campus, the GenDen. You can work on your business amongst like-minded innovators and attend our unique social and industry panel events. And if you happen to be spending any of your time abroad, then make sure to check out one of our international hubs to work from too – whether it's Lisbon or LA!



3 Jump onto the socials!

Our social media is where all the action happens and where you can hear the latest on what's going on at Generate and what our founders are up to. Featuring all events, workshop series, and employment opportunities with our startups. It's also the place where you can tell us how we can champion you and your potential business or guide you on an entrepreneurial journey if you don't know where to start.

You can get in touch with Generate through the following channels:

- Through the LSE website: lse.ac.uk/generate
- Follow us on our social media channels: [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [X](#) and [Facebook](#) page at @lsegenerate
- [Register with Generate](#) to receive our monthly newsletter
- Join our [slack channel](#), to receive all the updates from us and those in the LSE Generate ecosystem

Keep an eye on all of our our events throughout the year via Career Hub or directly on Eventbrite: eventbrite.co.uk/o/lse-generate-17931463712





Promote equity, champion diversity, and help develop an inclusive LSE

One of our guiding principles in Strategy 2030 is to sustain excellence through an inclusive and diverse community. We work to build a School – and a society – in which everyone is able to fulfil their potential, and everyone’s contribution is valued.

We organise events to celebrate the rich tapestry of diversity within the LSE community. These events include Black History Month, LGBT+ History Month, Disability History Month and International Women’s Day, reflecting our ongoing commitment to an inclusive LSE

In support of these principles, LSE has a number of important initiatives that are designed to lead to equity, diversity and inclusion for us all:

- **Ethics Code:** The LSE community is expected to act to the highest standards of ethical integrity, in accordance with the ethical principles set out in our Ethics Code. Visit lse.ac.uk/ethics to read about the School’s commitment to equality of respect and opportunity. An online module has been designed for the whole School community with the aim of increasing understanding of the Ethics Code.
- **Report It, Stop It:** acts to support staff and students in playing an active role in promoting consent, respect and positive interventions, in support of a welcoming environment for all at LSE.
 - **Safe Contacts:** LSE Safe Contacts are trained members of staff offering confidential support and guidance to individuals who have experienced, or are experiencing, any form of bullying, harassment (including that based on protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010), hate crime or sexual violence.
 - **Report it:** If you have experienced, or witnessed, any form of bullying, harassment (including that based on protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010), hate crime or sexual violence, we encourage you to report this to LSE via the online Report it Stop it form. This report can be completely anonymous, if you prefer. If you do leave your contact details, LSE can take action with your permission to find a resolution to your case.
 - **Consent.Ed:** LSE’s educational programme focused on consent, fostering respectful and inclusive behaviour on campus. All students are expected to participate, though opting out is respected for personal reasons.
 - **Rape Crisis:** Rape Crisis Centres provide frontline specialist, independent and confidential services for women and girls of all ages who’ve been subjected to any form of sexual violence, at any time in their lives. LSE has partnered with Rape Crisis so that any student or staff member can book appointments with a designated Sexual Violence Support Worker.



- **Survivors UK:** LSE has recently partnered with Survivors UK to provide independent sexual violence advisor services to any man, boy, transgender or non- binary person in the LSE community. Any staff or student can book a confidential appointment.
- **AccessAble:** Accessibility guides of all LSE campus buildings, ensuring inclusivity for everyone.
- **LGBTQ+ Role Models and Allies Directory:** This directory provides a list of staff, that you can get in touch with, who are LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer) Role Models and Allies.
- **Our Race Equity Framework** has been developed for improving the representation and attainment of Black, Asian and minority ethnic students¹ at the undergraduate, postgraduate taught and post-graduate research levels, and improving the representation and progression of Black, Asian and minority ethnic staff in academic and PSS (professional services staff) roles.
- **Our Athena SWAN action plan** has been developed for the advancement of gender equity at LSE. The plan includes actions to embed EDI in departmental culture, to support women in applying for research grants, to support trans staff and students and increase the proportion of female students undertaking postgraduate research programmes.
- **LSE Students' Union:** You can view all student reps, including Women's, LGBTQ+, Black, Asian and minority ethnic, and Neurodiversity and Disability Officers on their website.
- **Inclusive EDI policies and resources:** You can browse LSE EDI Policies, find out about EDI legislation protecting against discrimination, discover the support available to members of minority groups at LSE, and access expert EDI resources from our external partners.
- **EDI News and Events:** Visit this page to find out about upcoming EDI cultural events and history month activities; and learn about our new space on campus that has been established for staff and students to hold gatherings, events, discussions and initiatives that promote inclusivity and intersectionality.

For further information about these initiatives and the support available, please contact the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) team via email at edi@lse.ac.uk, or visit our [website](#) where you can also find out more about our partnerships, training and workshops, inclusive EDI policies and EDI cultural events.

¹ Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) and Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) are umbrella terms that are sometimes used in the UK to refer to all non-white people. However, we recognise that these terms are imperfect, in that they mask differences in lived experience and outcomes for many different ethnic groups. Improving our community's understanding of these differences will be part of our work on race equity at LSE.

Contact us

edi@lse.ac.uk

lse.ac.uk/EquityDiversityInclusion



LSE Faith Centre

The Faith Centre is open to students of all faiths and none. It is home to LSE's diverse religious activities, transformational interfaith leadership programmes, and provides spaces for worship, prayer, and quiet reflection.

Finding your feet

It can be challenging arriving in a new city for a new start. We want to help you settle into London and find a community that suits you – and there are lots of options! We provide a space for LSESU Faith Societies to meet, worship, and plan their activities. Details of contact information for faith groups and other helpful information can be found in our [resources](#).

Wellbeing

We host a range of wellbeing activities. Details of our regular classes can be found on the [Wellbeing page](#) and we always have [spaces](#) available for prayer, meditation, and reflection.

Facilities

The Faith Centre comprises Islamic Prayer Rooms, a space for silent prayer/meditation (The Cave), and a multifaith space (The Desert Room) which is bookable for LSESU Faith Societies or faith/wellbeing-based staff groups. [Find out more online](#) or email faithcentre@lse.ac.uk for booking enquiries.

Support

You can contact the Faith Centre Director and Chaplain to LSE, Revd Canon Professor James Walters, on j.walters2@lse.ac.uk for confidential support regardless of your religion or belief. You can also find contact details for our team of Associate Chaplains on our "[People](#)" page at lse.ac.uk/faithcentre





Beecken Faith and Leadership Programme

Learn more about our flagship faith and leadership programme at lse.ac.uk/faithcentre. These programmes are free, extra-curricular modules for all students at LSE, providing opportunities to explore, question and challenge religious differences and build relationships and transform attitudes across faiths.

LSE Religion and Global Society

The Faith Centre is also home to the **Religion and Global Society research unit**, an interdisciplinary unit conducting, coordinating and promoting religion-related social science research at LSE.

LSE Religion and Global Society Blog

The **LSE Religion and Global Society blog** is an interdisciplinary platform that explores the place and role of religion in our globalised world. The blog is a platform for experienced and early career academics, PhD and Masters research students, and other expert commentators to share their insights on this complex, wide-reaching topic. We welcome contributions from all researchers working on religion and global society.

If you are interested in contributing to the blog, have a look at our [guidelines](#) or get in touch with the editor Flora Rustamova at f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk

Religion Scholars Network

This is a network for current LSE PhD candidates and post-doctoral researchers across departments whose research relates to the social scientific study of religion. This is a great opportunity to collaborate with other PhD candidates from different fields through informal events throughout the year to share your insights and challenges. For more information email Flora Rustamova at f.d.rustamova@lse.ac.uk

Keep up-to-date with the Faith Centre:

 [LSEfaithcentre](#)

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Visit us: 2nd Floor, SAW Building,
1 Sheffield Street, WC2A 2AP



Starting your #SustainableLSE journey

LSE's commitment to sustainability is stronger than ever. You are joining a university that looks to embed sustainability throughout every part of its operations – from your course content to the research we publish and the way we run our campus.

In 2020, LSE published the [Sustainability Strategic Plan](#) with 6 key pillars, namely Engagement and Leadership, Research, Education, Collaboration, Finance and Our School. We have also committed to becoming Net Zero for Scopes 1 and 2 by 2030 and Net Zero for Scope 1, 2 and 3 by 2050. In halls, cafes and campus, we look to promote sustainability by selling healthy, sustainable food on campus, working in partnership with organisations outside LSE to progress the sustainability agenda and explore ways to enhance biodiversity at LSE (Zac Efron has even visited the bees on LSE's rooftop for a Netflix documentary!), amongst other initiatives.

How can you get involved with sustainability during your time here?

1. Join one of LSESU's [environmental societies](#), including [Sustainable Futures](#), [Beekeeping](#), [Animals](#), [Geography and Environment](#) and [Climate Justice](#).
2. Take the [Sustainability at LSE module](#) and find out a bit more about what we're up to! You can also explore our [#SustainableLSE webpages](#) for more in-depth information.
3. [Subscribe to Green Flash](#), our monthly sustainability newsletter. It's full of updates, opportunities to get involved, and interesting research from outside of LSE. You can also follow us on [Instagram](#), [X \(Twitter\)](#), [TikTok](#) and [Youtube](#).
4. Living in halls? [Sign up to be a Sustainability Ambassador](#) or look out for events and masterclasses we put on throughout the academic year. See the Halls Life Sustainability page [here](#).
5. Have a sustainability idea, but need funding? Why not apply to the annual [Sustainability Projects Fund](#)?
6. Did you know our water in the UK is perfectly safe to drink, so there's no need to spend money ordering in bottled water and adding to the waste challenge!
7. Take part in a sustainable pop-up market! LSE now collaborates with [Hazaar](#) to host pop-up markets – allowing LSE students to take part in sustainable fashion as a customer or vendor!





8. Get involved with sustainability events we put on throughout the year on campus.
9. Help us be more sustainable and make a difference by making simple, everyday changes (even making one change will help!)

Easy and simple ways we can all be more sustainable:

- Switch off lights and plugs when not being used; turn off taps instead of letting them run.
- Separate and dispose of waste using the correct bins (see our [Waste and Recycling Guide](#) for details). We have special bins for disposing of coffee cups correctly, look out for them!
- Bring a reusable cup/water bottle/Tupperware/cutlery to campus and on your expeditions around this amazing city and country. Many places will refill your water bottle for free and you'll often be charged less for your coffee at nationwide outlets for using a reusable cup.
- Choose planet-friendly food options. We offer so much choice when it comes to plant-based options, including a vegan/vegetarian café (Shaw Café), plus a "carbon labelling" system so you can choose the most sustainable food options.
- Only print if absolutely necessary, to save natural resources as part of LSE's transition to a Digital Smart LSE.
- Choose a sustainable way to travel to campus such as walking or cycling where possible (LSE has lots of bike storage), when travelling wider, look to take public transport, rather than travelling by car.

**We all have a
responsibility
to create a
#SustainableLSE**

Contact us

sustainability.team@lse.ac.uk

lse.ac.uk/SustainableLSE

    @SustainableLSE



Shape the world with LSE's public events

Shaping the world through global debate

LSE's renowned public lecture programme features hundreds of events each year, where some of the most influential figures in the social sciences can be heard.

Upcoming events are all featured on the LSE [events website](#). These events are a fantastic opportunity for you to engage with academics, political leaders, authors, leading figures from business and commerce, journalists, and civil society activists. Do check out our [schedule of events](#) and join the debate!

Also, why not enjoy one of LSE's Thursday lunchtime [concerts](#)! The series is free and open to all. Join us in the Shaw Library, Old Building, from 1.05-2pm on Thursdays in term time.

To receive updates about events, sign up to the [newsletter](#) or follow us on [X](#) (formerly Twitter). You can also catch up on any missed events by listening to the [podcasts](#) or watching the videos on our [YouTube channel](#).





Your Support

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Prioritise your wellbeing

We all experience ups and downs during our time at university, but there are some easy ways to look after yourself while you're studying and socialising.

1. Be kind to yourself. We all want to achieve the best grades and enjoy all that London has to offer with friends, but it's possible to take on too much. It's okay to acknowledge when you might need to slow down, plan downtime into your study schedule or take a night off socialising if you need it.
2. Enjoy and appreciate the little things that give you pleasure on a daily basis to help you stay in the present moment and keep things in perspective if you're stressed or anxious. Go for a walk, treat yourself to a coffee, listen to a podcast, try something new and take note of what makes you happy.
3. Get in the habit of talking things through if you find yourself missing home, feeling down or like you don't belong, worrying about academic pressures, or anything else that's on your mind. These are all common feelings and chances are we'll all experience them at some point. Peer supporters, your academic mentor, Student Wellbeing Services, or your friends and course mates can all help.
4. Keep supporting each other. You might notice a friend seems down or is behaving differently. You don't have to take on anyone else's problems - just listening to a friend can make the world of difference to how they're feeling.





Access support when you need it

The Student Wellbeing Service (SWS)

SWS aims to provide you with a single integrated source of help and assistance. Most students access SWS by attending a Wellbeing Appointment. This is a 30-minute conversation with a member of the team, where they'll discuss your current situation and explore options for support. This may include accessing the Student Counselling Service, or Disability and Mental Health Service.

Visit the [SWS webpage](#) to find out more.

The Student Counselling Service (SCS)

SCS provides a professional, free and confidential service to help with any problems that you may be experiencing. You can speak with a trained and experienced Counsellor about academic stresses, as well as personal and emotional difficulties.

Visit the [SCS webpage](#) to find out more.

The Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS)

DMHS is the first point of contact for students with disabilities, long-term medical and mental health conditions, and Specific Learning Difficulties, such as dyslexia. DMHS can help you set up "My Adjustments" which is a way of putting in place agreed reasonable adjustments.

Visit [DMHS \(lse.ac.uk\)](https://www.lse.ac.uk) to find out more.





Get support for disabilities or long-term medical conditions

If you have a disability, long-term medical or mental health condition, you are advised to apply for adjustments as early as possible. The sooner you let the Disability and Mental Health Service (DMHS) know about your condition, the sooner we can work with you to put in place appropriate support.

What kind of support is available?

Advisers in DMHS will discuss what is most appropriate for you. We can set up one-to-one learning support, mentoring, or support workers and help you access assistive technology designed to remove barriers to studying.

What are “My Adjustments” (MAs)?

“My Adjustments” is LSE’s way of sharing information about any support or reasonable adjustments you require for your disability, long-term medical or mental health condition(s). Support or adjustments can be provided by DMHS, your academic department, the Exams Team, the Library and/or Data and Technology Services.

How can I request MAs?

1. Visit lse.ac.uk/student-wellbeing to complete an Access to Service form and upload your medical evidence if you already have some.
2. Meet a Disability or Mental Health Adviser to discuss your support requirements, any potential adjustments, and any further evidence needed.
3. Review and approve your adjustments in our confidential online portal.



What happens next?

Once you approve your adjustments, they will be circulated to the LSE teams who can put them in place.

What if I only need adjustments for my exams?

You should still talk to DMHS as early as possible! If you have a disability, long-term medical or mental health condition, Central Exam Adjustments (CEAs) can provide an environment that gives you an equal opportunity in your exams.

Visit [Central Exam Adjustments \(lse.ac.uk\)](https://lse.ac.uk/central-exam-adjustments) for comprehensive information about what CEAs are and how you can apply for them.

Contact us:

disability-wellbeing@lse.ac.uk





Register with a doctor

You have various choices about how to access medical care while at university. If you are an EU resident, please check the healthcare section on our [webpage](#) for the most up-to-date information.

If you are a full-time international student enrolled on a programme lasting six months or more, you may be eligible for NHS treatment once you have paid the immigration health surcharge. Visit www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application for more information.

What medical care is available?

If you are unfamiliar with the NHS, you can do an online search for “[NHS services explained](#)”. This will provide you with an overview of common services eg,, pharmacies, hospitals, eye care and dental surgeries and how to access them.

You are usually required to register with a local General Practitioner’s (GP) surgery before you can book an appointment. You should register as soon as possible and not wait until you’re unwell!

Visit lse.ac.uk/studentHealth for more details.

How do I register with a GP?

1. Find your local surgery

The NHS typically requires you to select a local GP within your postcode catchment area. Some GP practices will register patients who live outside of their traditional catchment areas for greater convenience. To choose a GP and find their contact details, visit www.nhs.uk

2. Ask if your preferred GP is accepting new patients

You can find out the procedure for registering at the surgery.

3. Prepare any required documentation

You may need:

- Proof of your identity eg, your passport or driving licence
- Your visa, if applicable
- Evidence that you are a student (see “[Request student status documentation](#)” of this guide)
- Proof of your UK address.

Top Tip!

- ! GPs can charge different fees for additional services like writing medical letters, which you might need later. Ask them about their prices before you register!



Nearest GP to campus

St Philips Medical Centre, Second floor, Pethick-Lawrence House

www.stphilipsmedicalcentre.co.uk



Managing your physical health

Managing your physical health is key to having a successful university experience.

1. Keep fit by joining the LSESU Gym

Based across two sites, joining the LSESU Gym is a great way to get some much-needed exercise in between classes. Visit www.lsesu.com/social/gym for more information.

2. Eating well can help improve your mood and keep you in shape

As much as staying active helps your body keep in shape, eating a balanced diet helps your mind keep in shape. Explore the eateries across campus.

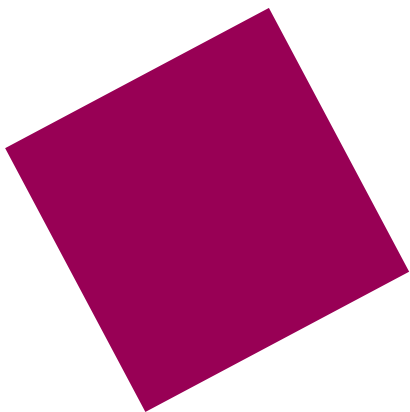
3. Sleep health is just as important as your diet and exercise

Poor sleep can interfere with your studies. Establish a routine, relax before you go to sleep and make your sleeping area more comfortable, so you rest well. Visit [Mind](#) for more information on improving your sleep.

4. Register with a GP to access healthcare

5. Your sexual health is just as important

The Students' Union provides free menstrual products in their building. For STI and HIV testing, contraceptive advice, free condoms and other sexual health support, there are several sexual health clinics close to campus including [St Phillips Medical Centre, 56 Dean Street](#) and [Burrell Street Sexual Health Centre \(Guy's and St Thomas'\)](#).





Managing your mental health

Starting a new academic year is daunting enough. Add in a new city and new people and it can be overwhelming.

- 1. Manage anxiety and low mood by talking to your friends and family about how you are feeling.** If you find this uncomfortable, try reaching out to [Student Wellbeing Services](#) or a health professional.
- 2. Listen to free mental wellbeing audio guides to discover what you can do to cope with low mood and take control of anxiety.** Find out more [here](#).
- 3. Maintain a work/life balance by giving yourself some downtime.** Join a society, build your networks, and enjoy the city. Take full advantage of your university experience!

Find support at LSE: information and resources

Navigate the range of support and help available at LSE, from your studies and your finances to your health and wellbeing, and what to do in emergency situations. You can explore “Find support at LSE” from the Student Hub app menu or [access it online here](#).

There are lots of people at the School who can help you find support. Our Departmental Senior Student Advisers are available in a number of departments to support you during your time at LSE, helping you navigate (alongside your Academic Mentor) the advice and support services available to you, and to assist with your wellbeing needs.

- Visit the [Departmental Student Advice Team](#) to check if your department has one of these advisers and for further information on how to access them. If your department isn't listed, support will be offered in a different way – talk to your Academic Mentor or check your home department's webpages for further information.





Find Support from Your Peers

Your first year at LSE is a unique and sometimes challenging time. From time management, course choices and working on those first assignments, to making friends and finding your way around London: your fellow students have the inside scoop on all aspects of life at LSE. There are a number of peer support programmes available to help you navigate the learning curve. All student mentors receive training and guidance from the programme coordinators.

Student Academic Mentorship (SAM)

With the Student Academic Mentorship (SAM) programme, you will be guided by those who have come before you, been in your shoes and who have insider knowledge about all things LSE. Throughout your first year, you will be supported by a second- or third-year student mentor from your department who can answer the nitty-gritty questions about how to get the most out of LSE. Visit info.lse.ac.uk/SAM to find out which departments currently run a SAM programme.

Peer Supporters

Our team of Peer Supporters have all experienced at least one year of studying at LSE and are trained to offer confidential emotional support, help and reassurance. They can signpost you to the services you need, help you explore your options, or just listen. Peer Supporters receive training and ongoing support from the Student Counselling Service, so they will be there for their fellow students during what can be a challenging time. Any student can contact any Peer Supporter, so please do reach out. Visit [this webpage](#) to find out more and to meet your Peer Supporters. You can also find the Peer Supporters on Facebook and Instagram.



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If you've chosen to live in halls, you'll be joining thousands of other students and you'll soon be part of our strong hall communities.

Wellbeing support in halls

Wardens (staff) and Subwardens (postgraduate students) live in each hall and provide support, assistance, and guidance, to ensure your personal and social wellbeing. They can also help you access support services at the School or in the local community. The team are always available to support you with whatever you need. Their contact details will be shared with you when you arrive, or you can email the team at wardens@lse.ac.uk

Residential Life events

Your hall will run activities to help you get to know your neighbours, your hall, London, and the UK. Most of these will be organised by your elected Student Hall Committee or the Residential Life team – look out for welcome emails from them. Throughout the year you can also get involved with various volunteering, fundraising and community action activities which we strongly encourage. Keep up to date with all the events and opportunities on Halls Life at halls.lse.ac.uk

Join your Hall Committee

We encourage you to become a Hall Committee volunteer for your hall. Hall Committees are the voice of our residents who organise events, activities and take part in feedback user groups. No experience is necessary! All you need is enthusiasm and a desire to enhance your community.

If you fancy giving it a go, look out for application information emails from your Residential Life team.

Find out more about your hall, including how to contact hall staff at halls.lse.ac.uk

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Attend Welcome events

Prioritise attending Welcome events designed especially for students living off campus and gain practically focussed information about making the most of your time at LSE.

It can be harder to meet people and make new friends when you are living off campus. Challenge yourself to interact with new people, online or in person. It can be scary and awkward to speak with new people but putting yourself out there will build your confidence. You can also make use of different social media and LSE channels to develop friendships further.

Reach out to a Peer Supporter: We recognise that students living off campus face different challenges to those living in LSE-owned halls of residences.

Our Peer Supporters are also trained to help you navigate settling in to life at LSE. If you need support, reach out to a Peer Supporter.

Visit this [webpage](#) to find out more.

Fancy being in with a chance to win a £50 Amazon voucher?

Tell us what YOU want to know the cause of! Be it climate change, social inequality – or simply the hiccups. Just upload a picture with you, Felix and your answer and tag us at #LSEWelcome. Don't forget to include a gif of Felix by searching for "partofLSE" in the Gif searcher!

Felix, the all-knowing, will choose their firm favourite.



Post a selfie with Felix the LSE Beaver

Have you ever noticed the beaver on LSE's coat of arms? Well, Felix the Beaver is LSE's mascot. They received their name from Virgil's Georgics, which is also where LSE found its motto. *Rerum cognoscere causas* means "to know the causes of things".



Take a campus and local history tour

Campus Tours

On campus and want to take a look around? Join a student-led campus tour which will show you some of the most iconic LSE buildings.

You can also download a [self-guided campus tour map](#) and get to know the sights of LSE! Starting at John Watkins Plaza, you will be guided around some of the most iconic LSE buildings. Don't forget to take a pitstop at the "World Turned Upside Down" and embrace the true orienteering spirit.

Local History Tours

Are you interested in learning about the history of the LSE campus and the surrounding areas? Sign-up for a professional history tour which will take you on a journey back in time. Trace the fascinating history of LSE, revel in the grandeur of Lincoln's Inn, learn about the gory past of the Demon Barber of Fleet Street and much more.

Find out more by visiting welcome.lse.ac.uk





Learn about campus safety and facilities

By international standards, London and the UK are very safe places to live. There are still several things you can do to ensure that you remain as safe as possible.

1. Keep your LSE card safe

You'll be given an LSE card as part of campus enrolment, which gives you access to the Library and other campus buildings. Keep this card safe and never let anyone else use it. If you lose your card, report it to the Student Services Centre (SSC) and order a replacement at lse.ac.uk/studentidcards

2. Read the LSE Security [Staying Safe Guide](#)

Find out about the locker room in the Old Building; lockers in Saw Swee Hock Student Centre; day-use secure bike storage in the basement of Fawcett House, and the Marshall Building, secure laptop storage in the Old Building; general safety information.

3. Read the LSE Facilities Guide

The LSE Facilities Guide will help you navigate around campus and get the most out of LSE's facilities. Access the guide at lse.ac.uk/facilities. Use it to locate locker space, IT equipment, study rooms, social spaces, and other facilities to familiarise yourself with campus.

4. Save important telephone numbers

If you see anything suspicious or are the victim of a crime, contact the police by phoning 999 (emergency) or 101 (non-emergency).

If you experience an emergency on campus, you can also call LSE Security on 020 7955 6555 or dial 666 from a campus phone. Save the telephone number of your hall reception if you live in student accommodation.



Consider ordering a discounted student travel card

Oyster cards

An Oyster card is a smart card that you add money to for pay as you go travel. Oyster cards and contactless payment cards or devices are the cheapest ways to pay for single fare journeys on London transport. They are also considered a safer option to bought tickets as they can be cancelled and transferred if lost or stolen.

If you are a **full-time** student, consider purchasing a TfL 18+ Student Oyster photocard to receive a discount on Travelcard and Bus and Tram Pass season tickets. There is a non-refundable registration fee. Part-time students are not generally eligible.

You should submit your TfL 18+ Student Oyster Photocard application via the TfL website once you have completed all of the following:

- complete online pre-enrolment and campus enrolment for your programme (please be sure to apply as a fully enrolled student).
- update your term-time address to your address in London
- read TfL's Terms and Conditions.

If you don't travel frequently, your best option might be to purchase a standard Pay As You Go Oyster card or use your contactless card or device.

For more information, visit [tfl.gov.uk](https://www.tfl.gov.uk)





Young Persons Coachcard

If you are aged 16-26 or in full-time education you might also consider purchasing a Young Persons Coachcard, to receive a discount on travel by National Express coaches throughout the UK. It costs £15 per year or £35 for three years.

For information and to apply online: nationalexpress.com

Young Persons Railcard

If you are aged 16-25 or in full-time education, you might also consider purchasing a Young Persons Railcard for discounted train travel. It costs £30 per year or £70 for three years, but sometimes a further discount is available through the National Union of Students (NUS).

You can apply online but mature students may also need to print a copy of their application and bring it to the Student Services Centre (SSC) to be authorised.

You can get your railcard discount loaded onto your registered Oyster card to save 1/3 on off-peak pay as you go travel. Simply take your Oyster card and valid Railcard to a London Underground station ticket office.

For information and to apply online: 16-25railcard.co.uk or 26-30railcard.co.uk



Explore the eateries on campus



1 The Bean Counter
Basement,
Sir Arthur Lewis Building



2 Beavers Brew Café
Ground Floor, Marshall Building



3 Beveridge Café
Ground Floor, Centre Building

4 K54
Ground Floor,
Cheng Kin Ku Building

5 The Denning Learning Café
First Floor, Saw Swee Hock
Student Centre



6 Fourth Floor Restaurant
Fourth Floor, Old Building



7 LSE Garrick
Ground Floor, Columbia House



8 The George IV Pub
Corner of Portugal Street



9 Ye Old White Horse Pub
St Clement's Lane



10 The Plaza Café
John Watkins Plaza
(outside the Library)



**11 The Shaw
Plant-based Café**
Ground floor,
Cheng Kin Ku Building

12 The Three Tuns Bar
Ground Floor, Saw Swee Hock
Student Centre



13 Wright's Bar
Houghton Street

You can bring your own food to eat at the following locations:

Centre Building

Ground, 1st and 2nd floor open areas.

Cheng Kin Ku Building

Plaza, atrium (cold and pre-packaged food only), lower ground lobby (occasionally closed for private School events), 1st and 2nd floor mezzanine and communal areas.

King's Chambers

Students' Salon (microwave and boiling water facility available).

Library

Escape Social Space in the Library foyer (cold and pre-packaged food only). Please note eating is not permitted in the rest of the Library.

Marshall Building

Ground, 1st and 2nd floor open areas.

Saw Swee Hock Student Centre

1st floor Denning Learning cafe, 2nd floor outside Faith Centre (microwave facility), 6th floor (when not reserved for functions).



Sir Arthur Lewis Building

Basement, ground and lower ground break out spaces.

Roof terraces (when not reserved for functions)

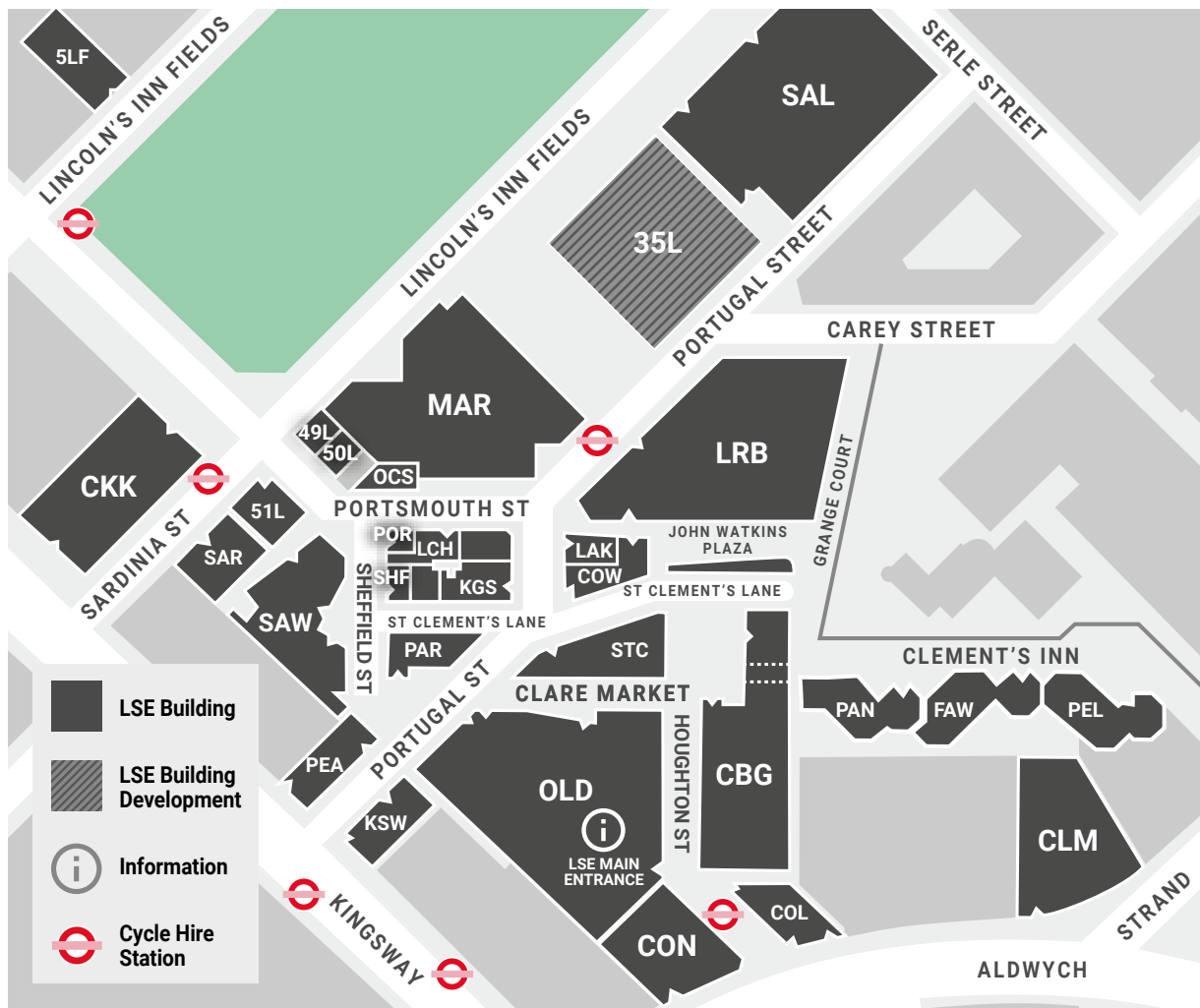
Centre Building, 2nd and 6th floor; Cheng Kin Ku Building, 8th floor; Marshall Building 1st and 8th floor; Old Building, 4th floor and Saw Swee Hock Student Centre, 6th floor.

Lincoln's Inn Fields

Public square (adjacent to campus)



Campus map



Key

CBG Centre Building	KGS King's Chambers	50L 50 Lincoln's Inn Fields	OLD Old Building	SAR Sardinia House
CKK Cheng Kin Ku Building	KSW 20 Kingsway	51L 51 Lincoln's Inn Fields	OCS Old Curiosity Shop	SAW Saw Swee Hock Student Centre
CLM Clement House	LAK Lakatos Building	LRB Lionel Robbins Building, Library	PAN Pankhurst House	SHF Sheffield Street
COL Columbia House	LCH Lincoln Chambers	MAR The Marshall Building	PAR Parish Hall	SAL Sir Arthur Lewis Building
CON Connaught House	35L 35 Lincoln's Inn Fields		PEA Peacock Theatre	STC St Clement's
COW Cowdray House	49L 49 Lincoln's Inn Fields (Coopers)		PEL Pethick-Lawrence House	
FAW Fawcett House			POR 1 Portsmouth Street	

Disabled Access

After 6.30pm, please call Security Control on **020 7955 6200** to ensure that any disabled access doors are open. Also see [Accessibility map \[PDF\]](#) for access to 20 Kingsway, please call security staff on **020 7955 6200** to set up the portable ramp in the entrance foyer.

Access Guides to LSE buildings

[AccessAble](#) have produced detailed access guides to the LSE campus and residences, and route maps between key locations. These access guides, and route maps, are now [available online](#).



All buildings have wheelchair access and lifts, except, KGS, KSW*, 5LF, 50L, POR* and SHF.
*KSW 20 Kingsway (Language Centre only), *POR 1 Portsmouth Street (Shop only).



welcome.lse.ac.uk



Student Services Centre (SSC)

The London School of
Economics and Political Science
Houghton Street
London WC2A 2AE

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