

HSU-UMHB
LONDON SEMESTER 2024
January 18-April 12, 2024

Application and General Information

REGISTER for your COURSES via London Semester registration form. Available to download/online here: <https://www.hsutx.edu/academics/study-abroad/>
You must enroll in at least 12 hours, and you must take the **British Life and Culture Course**.

Congratulations! Your interest in the London Semester sets you apart from many other students. You have the vision to see that a semester of international study will enrich your academic experience and will make your undergraduate degree exceptional. The program asks from you a commitment of money and time, but I assure you the pay-off will be tremendous. London will become your classroom and home for a semester. You will study with both British and American professors utilizing the city of London as your classroom. You will live in Central London, just a few blocks from the British Museum. You will go on many excursions in London, several day trips out of London, and a spring break tour of England, Scotland and Wales. Very few other study abroad programs provide so much.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Each University will select up to ten students to participate in the 2023 London Semester. The participants will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- 1.) G.P.A 2.5 or better (cumulative)
- 2.) Evaluations of two faculty members
- 3.) Academic and College achievements

Your application will be reviewed by the London Program Director to determine which applicants are most qualified.

Our goal is to choose students who have demonstrated the following characteristics: they perform well in classes; they are dependable, cooperative, and considerate; they are disciplined and prompt; they are intellectually curious and flexible, and finally, they are persons of integrity.

RETURN the APPLICATION and REGISTRATION to:

Submit the signed, completed application to Dr. Landwer as a PDF document by email to alandwer@hsutx.edu or mail (Sid Richardson Mailbox in SR 107 {Dr. Landwer's mailbox}, or HSU Box 16222 Abilene, TX 79698

The Deadline for applications is October 16, 2023

Features of the London Semester

1. HSU-UMHB custom designs the London Semester to offer students a stimulating academic study and a rich cross-cultural learning experience.
2. Students live in London with Resident Professors from HSU and UMHB and take courses under American and British faculty who design their studies to make London the classroom.
3. The students learn British history and literature, study in London's museums and galleries, attend London theatre, read London newspapers, visit the British parliament, and take guided walks to sites in Westminster, the City, and the South Bank: these experiences all become part of the art, theatre, and culture courses taught by British professors.
4. Field trips may include visits to the Globe Theatre, the Tower, the Royal Society, and Kew Gardens in London. Out-of-London trips have included such locations as Stratford, Oxford, Hampton Court, Canterbury, Dover, Windsor, Dorchester, Cambridge and Brighton.
5. In London, the students live in flats or residence apartments.
6. During the semester, the students make many excursions, all covered by the program fee.
7. Classes meet once a week, Monday through Friday, at locations stipulated by the professor of a given class. Work will also involve going to museums, galleries, and historical sites. All the courses taught in London are designed to make London (and Great Britain) the classroom. Students register for at least twelve hours of credit and may take up to fifteen. (The program fee covers all tuition costs and no reduction is made for taking fewer hours). Online courses may also be taken but check with the business office for costs associated with these.

HSU-UMHB London Semester Program

Schedule of Costs

Included in the Program and charged to the student:

London Semester Program **\$21,000****
HSU Block tuition applies to the tuition costs of the program

Includes:

- All room and *partial* board in hotel or flat
- Pickup and return to airport in London
- Weekly transportation passes for underground trains and city buses
- All required theatre, concert, and attraction tickets
- Weekly field trips
- Tuition for up to 15 hours in residence
- Ten day field trip to Scotland, Northern England and Wales

Estimated other expenses that you might incur, in addition to the program fee:

Airfare: *\$1000-1400

Miscellaneous (books personal, etc.) *\$1,000-2000

*approximate amounts

****Note to that there may be an additional general fee and insurance requirement.**

****HSU Block tuition (\$15,347/semester) applies to the tuition costs of the program.** This makes the program tuition as affordable as on campus study.

I also have study abroad scholarships available to assist you with the housing costs that are not completely covered by block.

HSU Business Office Statement:

- Block Tuition charges will be applied to the student account.
- The general fee for HSU can still be applied to the HSU account.
- Any trip charges, including but not limited to, meals, lodging and travel can be added to the student account in addition to tuition charges.
- Block hours can be used in accordance with HSU's current policy.
- The student's financial aid will remain awarded to the student in accordance with HSU's current financial aid policy. The aid cannot extend beyond the cost of attendance budget and HSU awards will be capped at tuition.

- Financial Aid can make a budget adjustment for study abroad trips if a student decides to borrow more (private or parent loan) to help with other expenses related to the trip.

A \$500, deposit, must accompany the application.

This will hold your spot! Submit a check payable to HSU, to Dr. Landwer, *HSU Box 16222 Abilene, TX 79698*

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Join this group for London Semester 2024.

HSU - UMHB London Semester Facebook Group Spring 2024:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/8940659492672288/>

SCHEDULE OF COURSES

2024 Spring Term

COURSES TAUGHT BY HSU-UMHB FACULTY

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| CHST 4099 | Reformers and Rebels: The English Reformation and Voices of Dissent Dr. Carol Holcomb (UMHB) |
| BIBL 1301 | Old Testament Dr. Carol Holcomb (UMHB) |
| HIST 4361 | Britain in the Churchill Era Dr. David Holcomb (UMHB) |
| ECON 1330 | Principles of Economics Dr. Jennifer Plantier (HSU) |
| MKTG 3099 | Special Topics: British Consumer Behavior Dr. Jennifer Plantier (HSU) |

COURSES TAUGHT BY BRITISH FACULTY

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| ART 2399/ART 3399 | Art Appreciation Professor Patricia Passes |
| THEA 2399/THEA 3399 | London Theatre Dr. Sue Healy |
| HIST/HUMA 2399/3399 | British Life and Culture Professors Molly and Donald Rumbelow |

LONDON SEMESTER APPLICATION

Spring 2024

NAME _____
Last First Middle

AGE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ STUDENT ID # _____

BOX _____ PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

APPLICANT'S and PARENTS' NAMES AND HOME ADDRESSES:

HOME
PHONE _____

CLASSIFICATION _____ HOURS COMPLETED _____

MAJOR _____
ADVISOR _____

MINOR _____ GPA _____ DATE OF GRADUATION _____

PASSPORT NUMBER (if known): _____ DATE: _____

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE LONDON PROGRAM? (attach page or write on back if needed)

DO YOU HAVE OTHER INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL EXPERIENCE?

LIST TWO PROFESSORS TO EVALUATE YOU FOR THIS PROGRAM:

(1) _____ (2) _____

TODAY'S DATE: _____

HSU-UMHB LONDON PROGRAM
MEDICAL HISTORY
(To be completed by the participant)

Name of student

Term

This form will help to provide medical support for you should the need arise during the study abroad experience. It is important that your study abroad program be made aware of any medical or emotional problems, past or current, which might affect you in a study abroad experience. Mild physical or psychological disorders can potentially become serious under the stress of a new cultural environment. The information provided will remain confidential and will be shared with program staff, faculty, or appropriate professionals only if pertinent to your own well-being. This information does not affect your admission into the program.

Are you generally in good physical condition?
(If no, please explain.)

Yes No

Have you ever been treated or are you currently being
Treated for any psychological or emotional problems?
(If yes, please explain.)

Yes No

Do you have any allergies? (If yes, please explain.)

Yes No

Are you taking any medications? (If yes, please explain and
Print the name of the medication.)

Yes No

Have you had any major injuries, diseases, or ailments in
past five years? (If yes, please explain.)

Yes No

Are you a vegetarian, or are you on a restricted diet?
(If yes, please explain.)

Yes No

Is there any additional information (concerning medical conditions or physical disabilities) that would be helpful for the program to know during your study abroad experience?
(If yes, please explain.)

Yes

No

I, _____ certify that all responses made on this health form are true and accurate, and I will notify the London Program Office of any relevant changes in my health that may occur before departure.

Participant's signature: _____

Date: _____

HSU-UMHB LONDON PROGRAM

COMMUNITY LIFE STANDARDS

Participation in an overseas academic program involves a more intimate community than the usual campus situation. In view of this, each student is expected to bear a greater level of responsibility and accountability. Each participant should provide support, encouragement, and prayer for others in the community, and should strive to act as a stellar example of Christian conduct. Students will be perceived by the public as representatives of both Hardin-Simmons University (HSU) and the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (UMHB) at all times while participating in the London Program.

The Community Life Standards for the HSU-UMHB London Program are intended to define the expectations of behavior while the student is a member of the HSU-UMHB community. These standards are a matter of personal integrity and are the responsibility of the individual student to observe.

INTEGRITY is an assumed characteristic of the HSU-UMHB London Program participants. The following behavior or activities would be a compromise of personal integrity and these violations will involve sanctions or dismissal from the HSU-UMHB London Program.

1. Dishonesty, lying, deceit, theft, plagiarism, or cheating.
2. Possession or illegal use of drugs.
3. Intoxication.
4. Inappropriate sexual behavior.

We appreciate your careful attention to these standards for the community life of the HSU-UMHB London Program.

I have read the Community Life Standards for the HSU-UMHB London program and agree to abide by these standards.

Signature
Print Name: _____

Date

HSU-UMHB LONDON SEMESTER STUDENT CONTRACT

The student named below (“Student”) agrees as follows:

Hardin-Simmons University (“HSU”) and the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor (“UMHB”), separately and together, and including their employees, agents, officers, trustees, and other representatives (hereinafter referred to collectively as “HSU-UMHB”) shall not be liable for any act, loss, claim or default of HSU-UMHB, or any tour organizer or arranger contracted, employed-, or otherwise utilized by HSU-UMHB or any host college for any injury, loss, damage, accident, delay, or expense resulting from the use of any vehicle, steamship, airline, railroad, bus taxi service, hotel, restaurant, or university; or for any loss or claim resulting from any strike, war, riot, weather act of God, sickness quarantine, or government commission or omission; or for any other financial obligation, liability, damage or injury to Student or any person participating in the program, or to his or her property. Student hereby releases HSU-UMHB from liability that may be associated with any such losses described herein students are urged to have both health insurance accepted in the places of travel, and personal property insurance to provide compensation and coverage for any injury or loss that might result to student and his or her property.

1. HSU-UMHB is not responsible for the welfare of Students during the period of independent travel or during any absences from the HSU-UMHB London Semester supervised activities.
2. HSU-UMHB may take whatever action it consider warranted, in its sole discretion relating to the health and safety of Students, and Student releases HSU-UMHB from all liability arising out of such decisions and agrees that HSU-UMHB shall under no circumstances be held responsible for such decisions, actions or omissions.
3. Authorize HSU-UMHB and its agents, at their sole discretion, and without obtaining any further consent, to arrange such medical services and treatment as may be deemed necessary for the Students at the sole risk and expense of the Students or their parents.
4. Student’s signature on this document constitute a durable power of attorney authorizing HSU-UMHB to approve necessary treatment on behalf of Student; this power of attorney shall survive the Student’s disability.
5. If deemed necessary or desirable by HSU-UMHB, Student may be returned to the United States by commercial airline or other means at the Student’s or the Student’s parents’ risk or expense for medical treatment. Student strongly advised to take out an insurance policy to cover such risks.
6. The program arranged by HSU-UMHB is a supervised program and certain standards must be observed. All Students will at all times comply with HSU-UMHB rules, standards, and instructions for student behavior. HSU-UMHB reserves the right to enforce appropriate standards of conduct and specifically reserves the right to terminate the participation of Student for failure to maintain these standards or for any actions or conduct which HSU-UMHB considers to be incompatible with the interest, harmony, comfort, and welfare of other students. It is particularly important that all students agree to conduct themselves in an entirely honorable manner during this special program and avoid any appearance of impropriety. In addition, all other appropriate policies in the HSU-UMHB student handbooks will apply at all times.

7. If Student's participation is terminated in accordance with paragraph 6 above, HSU-UMHB shall have the right to contact Student's parents and require Student to withdraw without refund of fees. Student is responsible for any expenses associated with his or her return to the U.S.
8. Student agrees to indemnify and hold harmless HSU-UMHB and its agents against any consequences of acts or omissions resulting in damage of any kind, including when the Student is not under direct supervision of HSU-UMHB or not observing and complying with HSU-UMHB's rules, standards, and instructions. HSU-UMHB disclaims all liability for any act or omission of the Student, whether willful or negligent or otherwise, which results in damages or injury to persons or property. Student agrees to undertake full reimbursement either to the injured party or to HSU-UMHB should such occasion arise.
9. Student hereby consents to the use of his or her photographs, comments, and photographic likenesses by HSU-UMHB for publicity purposes insofar as HSU-UMHB may determine in its sole discretion.
10. HSU-UMHB will endeavor to adhere to all travel and course arrangements made on the London Semester, but nevertheless reserves the right to change alter any arrangement, should such alteration be deemed necessary at HSU-UMHB's sole discretion.
11. Tuition, fees, fares, and other costs are based on the pound/dollar exchange rate of two dollars to the pound. Should this change by 5% or more, the chargeable fee may be reduced or increased proportionately.
12. No responsibility is accepted by HSU-UMHB for failure by Student to carry the relevant passports, visas, or other documents required for the purpose of this journey.
13. The cost of the semester program (13 weeks) is \$21,000, which included up to 15 hours of tuition, room, board, all attractions, and admissions included in the program, required in-country transportation, and airport pickup and return; airfare is not included. A non-refundable fee of \$500.00 must be submitted with this contract and your application. All financial and academic affairs will be processed through either the HSU or UMHB business or academic offices. Should a student withdraw voluntarily from the program after its commencement, a refund will be made to the extent possible based on forfeiture and cancellation costs and penalties charged to HSU-UMHB.
14. Should Student deliberately or carelessly damage property belonging to HSU-UMHB or to participating agencies, or to members thereof, he or she agrees to indemnify the injured party or to accept such penalty as may be imposed by the director. Student agrees to discharge all other indebtedness or obligations to HSU-UMHB before departing to London and understands that a failure to do so may result in the withholding of credit for courses and/or payment of administrative fees for subsequent discharge of his or her obligations.
15. In the event of cancellation of an entire session of the HSU-UMHB London Semester before commencement of the program, all monies paid prior to that time to HSU-UMHB will be refunded. Should an unavoidable event such sickness, civil unrest, or terrorist activity result in a partial cancellation, a pro rata refund of all fees, together with appropriate evaluation of academic credit, will be made to the extent it is available after

cancellation and penalties have been assessed to HSU-UMHB. These actions will satisfy all further responsibility of HSU-UMHB relating to payments made by Student.

16. All reference herein to “the parents” of the Student shall include the legal guardians or other adults responsible for the applicant.

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE CONDITIONS AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THEM.SIGN BELOW:

Student’s Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date _____
Signature of Student

