Study Abroad in London

Fall Semester: September 8 to December 2, 2022
• Founded in 1964, AIFS is a leader in providing study abroad programs for US college students

• Over 1.5 million students have studied abroad with AIFS

• AIFS has partnered with the Southern California Foothills Consortium since 1989

• Local program coordinators trained in incident response & crises management procedures
Why study abroad?

- Less than 10% of US college students study abroad.
- Shows college admissions & employers skills such as **intercultural competence**, **diversity**, **problem solving**, “thinking out of the box”…
- Personal skills you gain: **independence**, **creativity**, **initiative**, **adaptability**, a **sense of humor**, **flexibility**, **values**, **patience**…
- 85% of students agree that studying abroad was **the most meaningful & transformative experience** of their undergraduate education.
Study abroad statistics

- Source: [www.studyabroad.ucmerced.edu/study-abroad-statistics](http://www.studyabroad.ucmerced.edu/study-abroad-statistics)

- 100% greater **improvement in GPA** post study abroad.

- 97% of study abroad students **found a job** within 12 months of graduation vs. 47% of college graduates found employment in the same period.

- **25% higher salaries**: that’s how much more study abroad students earn than those college graduates who did not study abroad. That averages around $7000 per year.

- 90% of study abroad alumni who applied got into their 1st or 2nd choice of grad schools.
Why
London?
Ideally situated to travel throughout Europe

Cities in Europe are a short flight away on budget airlines.
Southern California Foothills Consortium

- Citrus College *Students enroll as Citrus College students for the semester.*
- Antelope Valley College
- Barstow Community College
- Chaffey College
- College of the Canyons
- College of the Desert
- Crafton Hills College

Students from other colleges & universities are welcome to apply.
- Cuyamaca College
Academics

- Courses are held **Monday to Thursdays** at the AIFS Global Education Center-"Taylor House" in Kensington
- Courses are **UC/CSU transferable & meet General Education requirements**
- Students enroll in **12 units**
- All students enroll in the **Humanities 120 British Civilization course**
- Students may enroll in **one Online course** as part of the 12 units
British Civilization “Life and Culture” course

• Mandatory for all students.

• Course aim is to provide students with an understanding of British culture & society & introduce them to key cultural & historical sites in London.

• Class is held one day per week during the entire semester.

Courses offered by Erin Tate

• HUM 120 British Civilization
• PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
• PSY 205 Developmental Psychology
• PSY 220 Introduction to Social Psychology
Courses offered by Ed Reed

- SPCH 100 Interpersonal Communication
- SPCH 101 Public Address
- SPCH 106 Small Group Communication
- SPCH 150 Intercultural Communication
Online courses

Calendars vary- dates may not coincide with program dates

Students may enroll in one online course

Courses offered in Accounting, Anthropology, History, Economics, Political Science, Psychology, Geography
AIFS Global Education Center & Student Services

- Classrooms, Student lounge & Computer lab & the services of AIFS’ Student Advisors for information, personal advising/counseling & 24-hour emergency contact service

- Orientation program with AIFS staff, student information packet, welcome reception & half-day guided tour of London
Imperial College Student Union

Membership to the Imperial College Student Union is included.

3-minute walk from AIFS Global Ed Center

Students can join the over 370 clubs, activities or societies or participate in sports activities. The campus has a gym & pool (additional fees) as well as shops, pubs & cafés.
Housing

Homestays
- Twin rooms in local homestays (Zone 3 – approx. 45-minute commute)
- Breakfast included daily. Shared kitchen & laundry facilities
- WiFi enabled
- Program fee $7405

Student Apartments:
- Twin bedrooms in a supervised residence. Apartments for 2 to 3 students
- Equipped kitchenettes, eating, study area & ensuite bathroom, laundry facilities in building
- WiFi enabled
- No meals are included
- Program fee $8975
A transportation pass or “Oyster Card” will be provided to students for use on buses & underground in zones 1-3 (homestay students) or zones 1-2 (apartment students) for the duration of the program.
Program fee includes...

- **$7405** (30-34 students); **$7325** (35-39 students) Homestay accommodations (breakfast M-F, laundry)
- **$8975** (30-34 students); **$8895** (35-39 students) Shared student apartment accommodations- equipped kitchenette, study space & on-suite bathroom; no meals included
- London transportation pass
- AIFS Student Center & Staff services including 24/7 emergency contact
- Imperial College Student Union membership
- Orientation program & activities, Guided tour of London
- Activities in London including visits to museums, monuments, walking tours
- Medical, Personal Effects, & Travel Assistance insurance
Expenses not included

• Airfare: Optional flight available or students may purchase their own flights
• Community College tuition fees (Promise Grant & Financial Aid applicable)
• Textbooks
• Personal expenses including passport fees & personal travel
• Meals (Homestays include breakfast daily)
• Program Fee Refund Insurance
• Medical Insurance upgrade available
Optional group flights

Round trip airfare from LAX to London including airport pick-up & return

$tba *airline-imposed taxes, fees & fuel surcharges are listed separately

*Subject to change until ticketed.
Optional cultural program

- 5 one-day excursions to Oxford, Stonehenge & Salisbury, Bath, Brighton & Stratford-Upon-Avon

- 7 Cultural events including West End theatre & sports’ events (rugby or soccer), high tea

*Specific events subject to change

$625
Optional Scotland tour

Edinburgh, Isle of Sky, Loch Ness

Fee includes:

- 4 days/3 nights
- Transportation by train & accommodations in student hostels
- Breakfast daily & evening meals
- Guided tour of the Scottish Highlands & Islands of Scotland
- $625
Eligibility requirements

• Students must be 18 years old or older at the start of the program

• Completion of at least **12 units** of degree applicable college credit

• **GPA of 2.5** or higher

• **First semester?** A work in process may be accepted. See your Study Abroad adviser

• **AIFS requirement- Students must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19 during the enrollment period**
How to apply

1. Fill out the program Interest Form [www.citruscollege.edu/studyabroad](http://www.citruscollege.edu/studyabroad)

2. If you are not already a student, apply to Citrus College for the Fall 2022 semester at [www.citruscollege.edu](http://www.citruscollege.edu)

3. Once your application is approved by your advisor, you will be sent a link to the AIFS online enrollment form.
Financial Aid

All financial aid for the Fall Semester in London is processed through the Citrus College Financial Aid office - even if you are currently enrolled in another college.

Fill out a FAFSA or add Citrus College to your FAFSA. Citrus College code 001166.

Find the “Request for Financial Assistance” and “FERPA” forms sent to you by email. Print, fill them out and return them to Citrus College Financial Aid by email.
How can I pay for the program?

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Actual amounts depend on Expected Family Contributions, SAP eligibility & other eligibility factors.
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Scholarships

- Benjamin Gilman Scholarships- For Pell Grant eligible students
  https://gilmanapplication.iie.org/  *Deadline= First Tuesday in March 2022

- Fund for Education Abroad  https://fundforeducationabroad.org/

- AIFS Ambassador Scholarship- Open to SCFC students with 12 units completed & a GPA of 2.5 or higher  *Deadline= May 2022

- College Foundation Scholarships
  
  - www.studyabroad.com/study-abroad-scholarships

- California Community Colleges for International Education  www.ccieworld.org

- http://www.nafsa.org/About_Us/About_International_Education/For_Students/U_S__S tudy_Abroad_Scholarships_and_Grants_List/
Creative funding ideas

- Back to basics ideas- side jobs, delivery services, seasonal sales, bake sales, garage sales, etc.
- Lifestyle changes- cut down on expenses, gifts of money
- Crowd funding- www.gofundme.com, etc.
- Letter writing campaigns- Elks Club, Lions Club, Company matching, etc.
Remember

Study abroad in a foreign country, even England, can be a challenge & create stress. It is important to speak directly, & prior to applying, with your study abroad adviser to

• Discuss all DSPS accommodations you require
• Disclose any physical & mental health issues, physical limitations, dietary requirements, medications, etc. you may have
• Discuss expectations & challenges posed by the study abroad location & culture

We want your experience to be a total success, so please help us, help you!
For more information

- See the study abroad coordinator on your campus

- John Morris, Study Abroad Specialist, Citrus College
  studyabroad@citruscollege.edu  (626) 914-8560

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