Our program will be a learning laboratory investigating the formation of national identity in the United Kingdom. For thousands of years many groups of peoples have moved to and inhabited the British Isles. Each group in turn introduced their language, their religion, their social values, and political structures. We will trace the history of the challenges that these disparate groups faced as they integrated and assimilated together. The curriculum and travel will provide students opportunities to explore their own emerging identity through intercultural experiences and consider these questions: What challenges do immigration, assimilation, and multiculturalism pose to cultivating national identity? How do nations use history, language, and literature to come to terms with their origins? How do ethnicity, language, and religion impact national attitudes of exclusion and inclusion?

DATES
21 June–8 August 2016

HOUSING
Students and faculty live at the BYU London Centre, which comprises two adjoining Victorian townhouses in west-central London, near the Kensington Gardens and Hyde Park, with easy access to the Tube. Students are provided breakfast and dinner Sunday through Friday. The London Centre has free laundry facilities, a library, and Wi-Fi access.

COURSES
All students will be required to register as a full-time student (7 credit hours) for the following courses:
- IAS 201R London Walks (1 credit hour)
- EUROP 336R British History and Politics (3 credit hours): fulfills GE Global and Cultural Awareness
- ENGL 300R British Literature in a Cultural Setting (3 credit hours): fulfills GE Arts and Letters

Professors Forste and Wilcox will team teach the classes to integrate our exploration of national identity in English history and literature within a sociological framework.
COST
$4,800–5,300

This estimate includes LDS undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-LDS students), housing, some cultural/historical sites and other admissions, group transportation on field trips, breakfast and dinners Sunday–Friday, and international health insurance coverage. Part-time BYU and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee of approximately $250. This cost does not include airfare to London, meals on field trips and Saturdays, lunches, personal expenses, or passport fee.

PREPARATION
All students who are accepted into the program are expected to register for a one-credit, pre-departure preparation class held on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. during the second block of winter semester 2016.

FUNDING SOURCES
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application, and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB), will be considered for a Study Abroad scholarship. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/student/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS
Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/apply. Early applications are encouraged. The program directors will be in contact as soon as the application has been completed and schedule an interview. Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.

Deadline: February 16, 2016

FACULTY
Renata Forste is the program director and professor of sociology. Her research focuses on global child health and she teaches courses in gender, women’s studies, and world population. She has an MS from BYU and a PhD from the University of Chicago. She was on faculty at the London Centre in 1999 and directed the program in 2005.

Miranda Wilcox is the program’s associate director and associate professor of English. She teaches medieval literature; her research focuses on Anglo-Saxon England and the intersections of religious and textual culture in early medieval Europe. She has an MMS and PhD in medieval studies from the University of Notre Dame.

SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
Students should refrain from scheduling late arrivals and early departures. Family members and friends are not allowed to visit students during the program. They are welcome to join students after the last day of the program.

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PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS
ISP reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost estimates due to conditions beyond its control.