You could stay home. Sit this one out. Go to your usual classes, walk the streets of Provo, play Zelda, eat string cheese. But you’re not that kind of person, are you? You’re not a sedentary stone gathering moss. You want to be transformed. Transformation is central to everything cool: art, music, history, literature. Things settle in; groups take power, traditions form, boundaries are drawn, punishments meted out. And then . . . POW! The Romans (or Saxons, or Danes, or Scots, or McDonald’s) invade, a woman becomes a queen, an artist defies cultural norms, a madman threatens to wipe you off the map, a ship full of Jamaicans arrive. Come with us to the UK and discover what British history and culture teach us about permanence and change. When different cultures collide, what happens? What stays the same, and what changes? Which ideas survive, and which ideas (or people!) die? We will address these questions as we study England and Ireland as sites of integration of peoples and cultures in dynamics of permanence and change. You may find that the biggest change you observe is in yourself.

DATES
3 September–9 December 2024 (approx.)

HOUSING
Students reside and take classes in the recently refurbished London Centre in the vibrant, conveniently located West End neighborhood of Bayswater. The Centre is a short Tube ride from most central London attractions and just minutes by foot from Kensington Gardens, Notting Hill, and hundreds of shops and restaurants. Program costs include self-serve breakfasts and chef-prepared dinners all days except Saturday, and students can generally lunch on PBJs or the previous night’s leftovers. The Centre offers free laundry facilities, a library, a lounge, and Wi-Fi access.

MEALS AT THE LONDON CENTRE
Student participants are required to help in food preparation and clean-up. Because of the communal nature of the meals, the BYU London Centre cannot meet all special dietary needs nor can it ensure a safe environment for those with food allergies. Please also note that other than a communal microwave, students do not have accommodations in the Centre, and may not bring their own accommodations to the Centre, to prepare food for themselves individually. If you have dietary or allergy concerns we recommend that you speak with the International Study Programs office before you apply.
COURSES
Accepted students will enroll in 12 credit hours of the following courses:

UNIV 210R—Clash of Cultures: Religion, Empire, and Immigration in the UK (Fulfills Global and Cultural Awareness GE)
UNIV 214R—Transformations: Greek and Roman Mythology, Art, and Reception (Fulfills Arts GE)
UNIV 215R—Classical British Literature Transformed (Fulfills Letters GE)
UNIV 218R—Becoming Britain: Celts, Romans, Saxons, Vikings, and Normans (Fulfills Social Science GE)

Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP.

COST
$11,100–11,600 (final amount will depend in part on US/UK exchange rates in fall 2024)
Includes full-time Latter-day Saint undergraduate tuition; housing at the Centre; breakfast and dinner all days except Saturday; admission to program-related activities; transportation within London; travel, lodging, and meals on program excursions within UK; and international health insurance coverage.
Does not include airfare to/from London, lunches and Saturday meals, preparation course tuition, passport fees, or personal expenses.

TRAVEL
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program. Airfare reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent at: BYU Travel | 280 HRCB | 801-422-6293 | travel@byu.edu

PREPARATION
Accepted students are required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201R, 1 credit hour) during the second block of the winter 2024 semester.

Students must meet all country- and program- specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

FUNDING SOURCES
BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. BYU students are strongly encouraged to request experiential education funding through their home department and/or college and the ORCA program. Those who complete the financial aid section of the ISP application and file a current FAFSA form at BYU’s Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will also be considered for a need-based study abroad scholarship. Students may also pursue private grants and scholarships, including those listed online at kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. The application requires a $35 fee. Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance to the program. The first payment is due upon acceptance. While the final application deadline is 15 January 2024, there is a rolling admissions process and the directors will begin interviewing applicants and admitting strong candidates during fall of 2023. Those who submit polished, academically-focused applications by the 15 November 2023 priority deadline will improve their chances of being admitted to what will likely prove a highly selective program. While London Centre programs primarily serve undergraduates from BYU-Provo, students from other universities who are committed to a rigorous academic experience and adhering to BYU’s Honor Code are also invited to apply. First-generation college students and students from other under-represented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

FACULTY
Seth Jeppesen (director), Associate Professor of Classical Studies in Comparative Arts and Letters, has directed Study Abroad programs in London and Greece. He will be accompanied by his wife, Jenae, and three children.

Brian Jackson (associate director), Professor of English. He will be accompanied by his wife Amy and 14-year old daughter.

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PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS
International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student’s BYU financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.