The English Language in Britain program is a hands-on, experiential investigation into the origins and diversity of the English language. On this trip, we will take you to England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales in the only Study Abroad program to visit all of the British Isles. In our travels, we will experience the diverse dialects of the British Isles from the received pronunciation in London, to the brogue in Scotland, to the Celtic lilt in Ireland and Wales. Along the way, we’ll teach you the rudiments of how English works and the important features that distinguish English dialects. Churches, fortresses, homes, and burial sites will reveal changes in the English language over the last 1,600 years.

Additionally, we will be investigating how books were developed and published in the British Isles, from the illuminated manuscripts of the Book of Kells, to early English editions of the Bible and through the early development of printing, to the modern publishing powerhouses in London and Edinburgh. During the experience, we will visit major sites in London, such as the Tower of London, Westminster Abbey, the Globe Theater, and St. Paul's Cathedral. As we travel outside of London, we will see castles and cathedrals, publishing houses, and world heritage sites, along with the stunning countryside of the British Isles.

More information can be found at ling.byu.edu/english-language-in-britain.

DATES
24 June–10 August 2024 (approx.)

HOUSING
While in London, you will live in flats in the neighborhood of Kensington, a beautiful area near museums and the Latter-day Saint Hyde Park Chapel. While traveling, you will stay in youth hostels and hotels.

COURSES
Students must register for 6 credit hours during summer term. Possible courses include (others are also possible based on student interest and consultation with the directors):

LING 110—Introduction to Human Languages (3 credit hours)
LING 210—Sounds of Language (3 credit hours)
ELING 324—History of the English Language (3 credit hours)
ELING 468—Introduction to Varieties of English (3 credit hours)
ELING 524—History of the Book (3 credit hours)

Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP.
COST
$7,900–8,400
Includes Latter-day Saint, undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non–Latter-day Saint students), housing, group transportation and lodging on field trips, and international health insurance coverage.

Does not include airfare, most meals (grocery stores are located near housing), personal expenses, and self-directed activities.

TRAVEL
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airline reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent.

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). This class will be held during the second block of the Winter 2024 semester. Part-time BYU students and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee. Accompanying spouses need to be credit-bearing participants on the program. Spouses will also need to apply online and take the preparation course.

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

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. The College of Humanities offers funding for qualified students. Other academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see 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. A nonrefundable $35 application fee is required; applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete. Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program. The first payment is due upon acceptance.

Application Deadline: 1 December 2023

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SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
This is a full summer term program. Students cannot plan to arrive late nor leave early from the study abroad program.

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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.