Why do countless individuals set out to explore the past and foreign places? How does exploring and interpreting transform our individual, community, and national identities? Together this semester, we will undertake the travel of time and place as we study some of the events, individuals, literature, archaeological remains, religious cultures, and spaces that have transformed this fascinating corner of the world. The city of London will be our classroom as we spend as much time as possible in the city exploring and interpreting iconic aspects of British culture such as Westminster Abbey and the Tower Bridge, biblical artifacts in the British museum, masterpieces in the National Gallery, rare biblical manuscripts in the British Library, and the remnants of Charles Dickens’ and Sherlock Holmes’ London. We will also come to know the new London as we serve in wards and branches throughout the city, visit markets and restaurants, attend plays and musicals in the West End, and spend time in London’s ethnically and culturally diverse neighborhoods. Trips away from the city that find us cycling through Cotswolds’ country lanes, picnicking in Jane Austen’s gardens, hiking along Hadrian’s Wall, exploring ancient Roman villas in the British countryside, sketching in Wordsworth’s picturesque Lake District, marveling at the architectural splendors of Edinburgh, and singing karaoke at the birthplace of the Beatles will all contribute to our ability to meaningfully explore and interpret Britain’s past and present. Transformative travel requires time—time that a semester-long experience at the London Center uniquely provides.

DATES
8 January–15 April 2025 (approx.)

HOUSING AND MEALS AT THE LONDON CENTRE
Program costs include breakfast and dinner all days except Saturday. The Centre offers free laundry facilities.

All dinners and breakfasts at the London Centre are prepared and served communally. Students 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 microwave, students do not have individual cooking access in the Centre and may not bring their own small appliances 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, or program directors, before you apply.
COURSES
Accepted students will be required to register for the following courses:

UNIV 210R—London’s Culture & Cultures of London (fulfills GE Global & Cultural Awareness) with Dr. Amy Easton.
RelA 392R/ANES 430R—The Bible & the British Imagination (fulfills religion or ANES credit) with Dr. Matthew Grey.
Univ 215R—British Literature Reimagined through Transmedia & Travel (fulfills GE Letter) with Dr. Amy Easton.
Univ 218R/CLSCS 430R—Excavating Roman Britain (fulfills GE Social Science or Classics credit) with Dr. Matthew Grey.

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

COST TBD
Includes Latter-day Saint undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing at the London Centre, breakfast and dinner all days except Saturday, admission to program-related plays, museums, and historical sites, transportation within London, travel, lodging, and meals on program excursions, and international health insurance coverage. Does not include airfare to/from London, preparation course tuition, lunches and Saturday meals, passport fees, or personal expenses. Part-time BYU and non-BYU students must pay an additional $300 for the Winter preparation course.

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 | 801-422-6293 | travel@byu.edu | 280 HRCB.

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 fall 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 funding through their academic major department. 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 be considered for a need-based study abroad scholarship.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Applications are available online at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. The first payment is due upon acceptance.
Priority Deadline: 1 September 2024
Final Deadline: 1 October 2024

FACULTY
Dr. Matthew Grey is a professor of ancient scripture and an affiliate faculty member of the Ancient Near Eastern Studies program at BYU. His disciplinary training is in the archaeology and material culture of the Roman world, biblical studies, and Jewish history in the Greco-Roman period.

Dr. Amy Easton is a professor of ancient scripture and an affiliate faculty member of the Global Women’s Studies program at BYU. Her disciplinary training is in British and American Literature and reform efforts in America and England during the late nineteenth century.

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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.