

# BYU LONDON CENTRE

## FRAMING LONDON'S CULTURAL, SOCIAL, AND SUSTAINABLE PORTRAIT

### STUDY ABROAD WINTER 2026



Join us for an interdisciplinary and immersive experience framing the rich portrait of London's arts, urban ecology, and social evolution, leaving yourself with a profound understanding of how this ever-evolving global hub has weathered a storied history and plan for a sustainable future. Further, we will compare London's portrait with two other iconic cities Edinburgh, Scotland and Paris, France in weeklong trips outside the center to provide alternative examples of how European cities, steeped in different social cultures, are embracing sustainable futures. Day trips away from London also include strolling through Cotswolds' country lanes, uncovering the mysteries of Oxford, enjoying afternoon tea in Jane Austen's Bath, exploring ancient Roman villas in the British countryside, and experiencing Tintagel Castle and Cornwall's picturesque beach towns.

#### **DATES**

7 January–17 April 2026 (approx.)

#### **HOUSING AND MEALS AT THE LONDON CENTRE**

Students reside and take classes in the 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 Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, Notting Hill, and hundreds of shops and restaurants. Program costs include breakfast and dinner all days except Saturday. The Centre offers free laundry facilities, a library, a lounge, and Wi-Fi access. 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 12 credit hours for Winter Semester:

**PWS 150 Environmental Biology** (fulfills Biology and Cultural Awareness GE credit) **or PWS 250 Field Ecology**— 3 credit hours with Dr. Zachary Aanderud.

**UNIV 218R Social Sciences (London)**— 3 credit hours (fulfills GE Letter) with Dr. Scott Sanders

**UNIV 210R Global and Cultural Awareness**— 3 credit hours (fulfills GE Letter) with Dr. Aanderud and Sanders

**CLCIV 202**—World Cultures in Art for 3 credit hours (fulfills Civilization 2 GE credit) with Dr. Cecilia Peek.

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

### **COST**

\$12,000–12,500

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. Program cost does not include airfare to/from London, preparation course tuition, lunches and Saturday meals, passport fees, or personal expenses. Students can expect to spend a minimum of \$500 on food and expenses beyond the charged cost of the program; while spending varies widely, the average student spends \$2000-3000 total in food and personal expenses including shopping and entertainment. Part-time BYU and non-BYU students must also pay the cost of the 1 credit hour class for the Winter prep 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](mailto:travel@byu.edu) | 280 HRCB. Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

**The UK now requires that ALL travelers get pre-approval to enter the country. For more details, please refer to the information under “Do I Need a Visa?”** <https://kennedy.byu.edu/isp-travel-policy>

### **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 2025 semester.

### **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 or inspired learning funding through their major/minor 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 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](https://kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Applications are available online at [kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply](https://kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply). The first payment is due upon acceptance. 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.

**Priority Deadline: 1 September 2025**

**Final Deadline: 1 October 2025**

### **FACULTY**

**Dr. Zachary Aanderud** is a professor of environmental science focusing on harnessing the power of bacteria and archaea from extreme ecosystems in biotechnology, especially the generation of biogas and health of the human gut microbiome.

**Dr. Scott Sanders** is a professor of sociology focusing on global rural inequalities, poverty, healthcare access, globalization, labor standards, and NGO program monitoring and evaluations.

### **INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT**

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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.