BYU LONDON CENTRE

A NEW GRAND TOUR: ART, MUSIC, & CULTURE

STUDY ABROAD SPRING 2027

The Spring 2027 program at the London Centre, directed by professors James Swensen (Art History) and Alex Woods (Music), offers a unique opportunity to study music, art, and English culture with a richness and depth that no classroom could provide. Centered in and around London, classes will be structured in a way to gain the most from the setting, requiring students to study on site in many of the world's best museums and concert halls. The program will also feature excursions to Ireland, Scotland, Bath, Oxford, and other locations in England. In keeping with the Grand Tour of the past, it will take a holistic approach to education that will combine exploration, learning, and self-reflection, which will further intellectual and spiritual growth. This study abroad program will seek to capture the essential qualities of a Grand Tour, encouraging students to explore the arts and, through that exploration, discover who they are and who they aspire to become.

DATES
27 April–14 June 2027 (approx.)

HOUSING AND MEALS AT THE LONDON CENTRE
Students reside and take classes in BYU's London Centre, which is located in the vibrant Bayswater neighborhood. The Centre is a short Tube ride from most central London attractions and a short walk from Hyde Park, Kensington Gardens, and Notting Hill. Program costs include breakfast and dinner every day except Saturday. The Centre offers free laundry facilities, a library, a lounge, and Wi-Fi access.

As dinners and breakfasts at the London Centre are prepared and served communally, students are required to help with preparation and clean-up. Because of the communal nature of the meals, the program cannot meet all special dietary needs, nor can it ensure a safe environment for those with food allergies. Other than a shared microwave, students will not have individual cooking access, and they may not bring appliances to cook their own meals. Those with serious food allergies or other dietary concerns should speak with the International Study Programs office or the faculty directors before applying.

COURSES
Accepted students will be required to register for 6 credit hours, which consist of the following paired courses:
MUSIC 202— World Civilization since 1500 (fulfills GE World Civ II credit and GE Arts)
UNIV 210R—The British Experience–Art, Music, Architecture, & Religion (fulfills GE Global & Cultural Awareness)
Participants may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval.

COST
$8,700-9,200
Includes Latter-day Saint full undergraduate tuition (costs higher for graduate and non–Latter-day Saint students); housing at the Centre; breakfast and dinner every day except Saturday; admission to program-related plays, museums, and historical sites; Tube travel within London; travel, lodging, and meals on program excursions; and international health insurance coverage. Does not include airfare to and from London, lunches and Saturday meals, passport fees, or personal expenses. Part-time BYU and non-BYU students must pay an additional tuition for the one-credit preparation course taught during the second block of winter.

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
During the winter 2027 semester, all accepted students must take a preparation course (IAS 201R, 1 credit hour). Part-time and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee for enrolling in this prep class. 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

International study programs are physically, emotionally, and mentally demanding, so you must be in good health to participate. These programs often take place in locations that do not have the same level of safety and services in terms of transportation, living conditions, residential accommodations, food, public behavior, and policing that you may be used to on campus. If you have further questions or concerns on this, please see https://kennedy.byu.edu/isp-travel-policy.

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 also 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 **k**ennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS
Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/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.
This program will be accepting rolling admissions and could fill before the deadline.
Priority Deadline: 1 November 2026
Application Deadline: 1 December 2026

FACULTY DIRECTORS
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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.