INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL
YOUR JOURNEY TO LONDON STARTS NOW
Studying abroad in London provides you with a unique opportunity to broaden your horizons in one of the world’s most exciting and cosmopolitan cities. By embarking on this life-changing journey you will gain a new perspective on your studies, make new friends, immerse yourself in another culture and learn more about yourself than you ever thought possible. You will also have a great experience to add to your curriculum vitae, giving you that much-needed edge when applying for jobs.

The University of Roehampton International Summer School is a great opportunity to continue your academic development at our beautiful parkland campus, just six miles from London’s theatre district. Each year we offer a range of courses that can be taken as part of your degree or for general interest, delivered over a three- or six-week period during June and July. With our new English Language-based modules, we also make provision for students who do not speak English as their native language.

By joining our friendly, international community where students, live, socialise and learn together, you will benefit from the University of Roehampton’s excellent facilities and enjoy access to London’s world-class museums, libraries, galleries and nightlife.

We hope the following information will be useful when planning to Study Abroad during the summer, giving you a flavour of studying at the University of Roehampton and inspiring you to take the first steps on this exciting journey.

We look forward to meeting you in London!

Valerie Horwood
Head of Partnerships
Our Summer School runs for two three-week academic sessions that each carries 20 UK credits. You are welcome to attend one or both sessions and earn up to a maximum of 40 UK credits. Our diverse and stimulating range of courses has been developed by world-class academics, and you will learn in an environment that is rich in creativity and new ideas. Using London as your classroom, you will be immersed in the city, learning to look at your surroundings in a new light! Classes typically run in the morning, finishing at around 2pm, four days per week.

“Magic, Murder & Mystery in London Literature” has been one of my favourite classes I’ve taken as a university student so far!

Maddi McKoy
USA

“London was the time of my life and a truly smashing experience. I hope one day to return for an even longer period of time!”

Sara Bellefeuille
USA

ACADEMIC PROGRAMME
We are delighted to offer a range of modules that make the most of our London location, using the city as a classroom. Full module descriptions and up-to-date listings for the coming year can be found online at [www.roehampton.ac.uk/International/Summer-School](http://www.roehampton.ac.uk/International/Summer-School). Modules have previously included:

**Media, City and Cultural Capital**
(Department of Media Culture & Language)
Introduction to topics ranging from London’s newspaper industry and the BBC, to the city’s arts scene and the Olympic park. It incorporates a mix of class-based sessions and field trips.

**Gods and Heroes of Classical Mythology**
(Department of Humanities)
Explore the role of enduringly intriguing mythological figures such as Athena/Minerva, Aphrodite/Venus and Herakles/Hercules, and consider their rich ‘afterlife’ in the postclassical world.

**Introduction to the London Stage**
(Department of Drama, Theatre & Performance)
Introducing a range of dramatic forms, conventions and aesthetics currently employed on the London stage, this module reveals trends in contemporary productions and analyses the social and cultural contexts through which they are formed and constructed.

**English Language 1**
(Department of Media, Culture & Language)
Upon successful completion you can progress to English Language 2.

**Academic English Language Skills**
(Department of Media, Culture & Language)
Upon successful completion you can progress to an academic module in session 2.

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**Art in London Museums**
(Department of Humanities)
An interactive introduction to London’s national art galleries, with a dual focus on the cultural history of these institutions and the art history of their collections.

**Psychology in the Real World**
(Department of Psychology)
Bridging the gap between theory, research and real-world application, this module encourages students to critically engage with the ways in which psychological notions underpin, inform or can be used to make sense of a wide range of phenomena and practices in contemporary society.

**The UK Business Environment**
(Business School)
The creative and cultural sector is currently the UK’s second-fastest expanding economic area. This module explores key creative industries such as heritage and architecture, entertainment, music, film, fashion and literature.

**Londonopolis**
(Department of Social Sciences)
This module combines contemporary theories and debates on the condition of urban life in a global city with hands-on ethnographic, street-level perspectives on urban social form experienced by students.

**Magic, Murder and Mystery in London Literature**
(Department of English & Creative Writing)
Covering detective stories, fantasy, children’s literature and graphic novels, this module introduces students to London as the source, setting and inspiration for literary texts. Our investigations will lead us from Victorian London to the 21st century, examining texts where magic, mystery and murder come to the fore.

**English Language 2**
(Department of Media, Culture & Language)
*For non-native English speakers. Please note that not all modules will run each year – check our website for up to date module information.
STUDENT LIFE AT ROEHAMPTON

Arrival and Orientation

The University of Roehampton runs a free airport collection service for Summer School students flying into Heathrow Airport on arrivals day. Full information is provided via email once you have received an offer, and details are updated on the website www.roehampton.ac.uk/International/Summer-School. There is also a comprehensive orientation programme to help you settle into London life and meet other students on the programme.

Roehampton Abroad Social Programme

One of the most exciting aspects of the Summer School is the Roehampton Abroad Social Programme, which includes evening events in and around London, day trips to fascinating cultural and historic locations in the UK (previously have included York, Stonehenge and Oxford), and shows in London’s famous West End. Trips are led by a guide who will help you to get the most out of your time in the UK, and the Roehampton Abroad Resident Assistant will accompany the group on each visit. For more information and up-to-date schedules, visit www.roehampton.ac.uk/International/Summer-School

Accommodation

We aim to house all Summer School students on campus. Rooms are single occupancy study bedrooms with Internet connection and shared kitchen facilities. Accommodation is self-catering; there are plenty of cafés and diners on campus and in the local area if you are not sure of your culinary skills!

Support network

As well as academic support through our Study Skills sessions and tutoring system, the University of Roehampton offers all students non-academic support, including information and advice on disabilities, dyslexia, finances and counselling, through the Student Affairs department. The Chaplaincy and Students’ Union are also able to offer advice and support. Roehampton Abroad is also your dedicated team on hand to support you through your time in London.

Our state-of-the-art campus facilities include a well-stocked library, home to our media suites, newsroom, language labs and 24-hour computer suites. There is also a range of amenities for specific subjects, such as dance and drama studios and sports and bioscience laboratories.

Credit Transfer

If you wish to apply credits earned at the University of Roehampton to your degree, your home institution will need to pre-approve your chosen course of study here. If you require any assistance with this process (eg provision of syllabi), please do not hesitate to contact the Roehampton Abroad team.

Each module is worth 20 UK credits. Upon completion of the Summer School the University of Roehampton will issue you with an academic transcript; this should arrive with you by mid-September.

The University library contains around 350,000 print books, artefacts and audiovisual materials, and more than 300,000 ebooks.

English language modules are designed to develop key skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Get involved

Roehampton offers opportunities for you to get involved in local, national and international campaigns.

“I like the museums and most of them are free.”

Xiaofang Zheng
China
Entry Requirements for Academic Modules

Applicants should:
- have a minimum 2.8 GPA (out of 4) or equivalent
- have completed high school or equivalent
- be 18 years of age or older
- have achieved a minimum of IELTS 6.0 or equivalent proof of English language ability

If you are a ‘gap year’ student, the University of Roehampton will treat your application in the same way as a standard undergraduate application.

Entry Requirements for English Language Modules

To take English Language 1 applicants should:
- have achieved a minimum of IELTS 4.5 or equivalent proof of English language ability

To take Academic English Language Skills applicants should:
- have achieved a minimum of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent proof of English language ability

To take English Language 2 applicants should:
- have achieved a minimum of IELTS 5.0 or equivalent proof of English language ability

If you have any queries or wish to verify your English language proof please contact roehamptonabroad@roehampton.ac.uk.