

United Kingdom

Summer 2024

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Application Deadline

Early Decision applications accepted until **December 1, 2023**. Apply early decision for study abroad or study abroad *and* scholarships and receive a decision by mid-January 2024. Regular Decision program applications accepted until **February 15, 2024**. Click "[Apply to Study Abroad](#)" to begin your application.

Dates

July 5 - August 4, 2024

Location

Based in the heart of London in beautiful Regents Park, this program includes day trips to Brighton, Hampton Court, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and St. Paul's Cathedral. An independent travel weekend is included in the schedule.

Student Voices

"My biggest takeaway is how strong I have become. I came all the way to London without my sturdy support system from home following me and enjoyed every second of the program. I learned how to cope with my feelings and how to ride the ups and downs of being in study abroad. I have confidence in myself that I can handle the things that come my way because of this experience." - Keerthi Tammineni, Summer 2023

Courses: 6 credits required

IDS 301: Arts, Artifacts, & Culture - UK (3 credits, required)

Fulfills Arts and Aesthetics *or* Cultural Elective requirement, Global Perspectives requirement

This course provides an introduction to the culture and social mores of the peoples in the UK based on a study of their arts and artifacts. Principle assignment is an in-depth photo travel journal.

POL 203: American Public Policy (3 credits)

Fulfills Ethical Perspectives, U.S. Perspectives, Social/Behavioral Sciences, requirement for all Political Science and Public Health majors, elective for many other majors

This course examines how public policy is made and how it is evaluated by real policy analysts. We will compare American and British public policy, and also discuss the ethical implications of various policy choices.

ENG 200: Critical Reading & Writing: Reading & Writing Personal Narrative & Memoir (3 credits)

General Education requirement

This course examines the art and craft of personal writing (writing about one's self and experiences) through the reading, analysis, and discussion of memoirs and autobiographical essays from around the world. Students will explore intersections between self and society and fact and fiction as they read and write personal narratives in both traditional and experimental forms. Pre-requisite: ENG 111

Faculty

Director: Professor Cathy Rodgers, '76

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Faculty: Professor Ashley Hogan

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Program Overview

The program begins in the heart of London, in beautiful Regents Park. You will find an almost overwhelming variety of opportunities in theatre, music, dance, art, museums, and historic sites, including a tour of Parliament. Four weeks in London will not seem long enough for all the experiences you can have!

Mornings will find you engaged in classes. The rest of most days and weekends are free for sightseeing, independent travel, and, of course, study. This is a rigorous academic experience. You will be required to take six credit hours. Independent study and Honors contracts may be available in some areas, but at an extra cost if taught by other faculty.

One weekend break while in London allows you to travel independently! Travel in Great Britain doesn't get any better than a few days in Edinburgh, Scotland; beautiful York; or the Lake District. Or stay in London and enjoy day trips from there. You can also travel beyond the UK. The options are almost endless!

Cost

\$6,750 includes:

- \$100 non-refundable application deposit
- Tuition for 6 Meredith College credits
- Accommodations and meal card in London
- Academic excursions to Brighton, Hampton Court, Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and St. Paul's Cathedral
- Oyster card and £100 for local transportation
- Two theatre performances and tour of The Globe
- On-site support from Meredith faculty
- Pre-departure orientation and resources

Additional expenses include:

- Round-trip airfare: \$2,000
- Passport, if applicable: \$165
- International health insurance: \$110
- International cell phone plan: \$100
- Independent travel: \$1,000
- Personal spending money, additional meals, and additional transportation: \$1,000-2,000

Note: Estimates are based on previous student reports. Your spending habits may differ.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Additional study abroad funding is available. Register for a Funding Workshop and access the scholarship application at <http://meredith.edu/oip>. **Early Decision scholarship deadline: December 1, 2023 (with study abroad application). Regular Decision scholarship deadline: February 15, 2024.**

COVID-19 Protocols

The Office of International Programs strongly recommends all program participants arrive vaccinated against COVID-19 and up to date with all recommended boosters. The OIP will continue to implement ongoing COVID-19 mitigation and response measures in faculty-led study abroad programs.

Meredith College Office of International Programs reserves the right to make changes to the program itinerary, program capacity limits, schedule, cost, academic program, etc., as necessary.