

# LONDON

*FALL QUARTER 2012*



WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONSORTIUM FOR STUDY ABROAD (WCCCSA)

**DEPART U.S.:** FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012  
**ARRIVE LONDON:** SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2012  
**DEPART LONDON:** FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2012



## INCLUDED

- Accommodation in a twin room in a homestay within a residential neighborhood of London in the inner 3 zones of the London transport system. Continental breakfast (cereals, toast, juice, tea/coffee) will be provided in the homestay five days a week (Monday through Friday) and dinner four days per week (Monday through Thursday). Students will have access to the kitchen for the preparation of any other meals.
- London Transport travel pass, valid for unlimited use on buses and underground trains in travel zones 1, 2 and 3 for the duration of the program.
- Two-day orientation program consisting of an orientation meeting with AIFS staff; workshops on cultural differences, safety/security and travel; student information packet including comprehensive student handbook; local area information; welcome reception and a half-day guided sightseeing tour of London by private coach. AIFS will offer a meal money program whereby students can lodge money (in sterling) at the beginning of the quarter and receive it back every two weeks throughout the program. Information will be included in the student information packet and discussed at the orientation meeting.
- Subsidized cultural program of events, including five day trips (on Fridays, to Oxford, Stonehenge and Salisbury, Bath, Brighton and Stratford-Upon-Avon), 4 theater events, a football or rugby match and a walking tour.
- Access to the wireless-enabled AIFS Student Center and the services of an experienced AIFS Program Coordinator and AIFS Student Advisors for information, personal advising/counseling and 24-hour emergency contact service.

- Access to the student computer lab located in the AIFS Student Center with free Internet access and printing facilities.
- Membership of the University of London Union, which gives access to the Union facilities, subsidized rates to sports facilities and the opportunity to join University of London clubs and societies.
- Student medical and program fee refund insurance policies.

## FEES

Based on an enrollment of 25 or more participants, the fee per person is \$6,675. This fee includes a \$50 non-refundable application fee.

This fee excludes airfare, a \$250 refundable damage deposit, optional medical insurance upgrade (\$65) and optional personal effects coverage (\$90), passport or visa fees if applicable, meals other than those indicated on the itinerary, personal expenses, any WCCCSA tuition or administrative fees, textbooks, additional field trips or excursions required by the WCCCSA faculty and anything not specified.





These fees are guaranteed not to change as a result of fluctuations in the dollar exchange rate.

## FINANCIAL AID

Many students are eligible to apply for financial aid, grants and loans to assist with the costs of the London program. Early application is essential. Contact your home institution's financial aid office promptly if you are interested in this possibility. Be sure to identify yourself as a potential London program participant. Additional information on minimum payments due and payment deadlines can be found on the program application.

## OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

On a space-available basis, students may purchase the optional transportation package consisting of round-trip airfare (Seattle–London–Seattle) and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the housing in London for an additional \$695 excluding mandatory U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges of \$579 (subject to change) for which students will be billed separately.

## OPTIONAL SCOTLAND EXCURSION

An optional five-day, four-night excursion to Scotland will be offered for a supplemental fee of \$595. This includes round-trip train transportation between London and Edinburgh, four nights accommodation in hostels (two in Edinburgh, one in Loch Ness, one on the Isle of Skye), a three-day guided bus tour to the highlands and islands of Scotland, entrance to Edinburgh Castle, two evening meals and the services of an AIFS staff member throughout the excursion.

## FACULTY

Dr. Thomas Grimes has taught philosophy at Peninsula College for the past 18 years. He has also held teaching appointments at Arkansas State University and Cal Poly. After double majoring in economics and philosophy at Brown University, he earned a Ph.D. in philosophy at the University of Arizona. His scholarly writings in philosophy of science and metaphysics have appeared in both national and international scholarly journals, including the prestigious *British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*. Beyond philosophy, Dr. Grimes has a deep interest in art, and in particular, 17th century Dutch art. Currently he is three paintings short of his quest to see all the works by Johannes Vermeer, which are scattered among 15 North American and European cities.

As part of a faculty exchange program, Dr. Grimes taught philosophy at Guangxi Vocational & Technical Institute of Industry in Nanning, China. Beyond China, his lust for getting lost in foreign places has taken him to North Africa, the Middle East, Europe, Latin America, Mexico, and the Caribbean. He has visited London on several occasions and knows firsthand the unparalleled opportunities it affords for learning about art, culture, and history. He looks forward to using the city as a classroom for teaching philosophy to a group of inquisitive students and to being a part of making their time there a transforming international experience.

## COURSES

*See your campus coordinator for course numbering.*

### BRITISH LIFE AND CULTURE (REQUIRED) 5 CREDITS

*British Faculty*

Taught by a qualified local adjunct lecturer, this course focuses on the historical, political, economic and cultural aspects of contemporary Britain.



## PHIL 101 – INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

Much of Western intellectual thought is dominated by the contributions of British philosophy. This course consists of an analytic examination of some basic problems from each major branch of philosophy with an emphasis on the views of British philosophers from the medieval, modern, and contemporary periods. Topics include free will and determinism, God and rationality, morality and justice, art and beauty, knowledge and skepticism, and mind and body. Field trips to sites in and around London will be utilized to gain a better historical understanding of many of the philosophers to be studied.

## PHIL 105 – CRITICAL THINKING

As a study of informal logic this course explores the nature and application of principles of correct inductive, moral, and practical reasoning. Topics include informal fallacies, advertising, stereotypes, medical claims, the scientific method, news reporting, moral justification, and expected value. Examples will draw upon aspects of British life and culture.

## Deadline to apply is Friday, June 29, 2012

For more information and an application, contact the coordinator on your campus:

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## MEDICAL INSURANCE

AIFS provides each student with a group insurance policy issued by The Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania. Please see [http://www.aifspartnerships.com/pdf/insurance\\_semester.pdf](http://www.aifspartnerships.com/pdf/insurance_semester.pdf) for full details of the insurance coverage, including the optional medical insurance upgrade and personal effects insurance.

## AIFS REFUND POLICY

When you apply to the program you will be asked to pay a deposit of \$450. If your application is accepted, this fee is partially non-refundable. Please carefully read the AIFS Refund Policy at [www.aifspartnerships.com/wccsa/london/fall\\_refund\\_policy.asp](http://www.aifspartnerships.com/wccsa/london/fall_refund_policy.asp) before submitting your application.

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