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Study Abroad and Exchange at SOAS

The world's leading institution for the study of Asia, Africa and the Middle East

African Studies | Anthropology and Sociology | Arts | Chinese Studies
Development Studies | Economics | English | Film Studies | Financial and Management Studies
Gender Studies | Geography | History | History of Art and Archaeology | International Studies
Japanese Studies | Languages | Law | Linguistics | Media Studies | Music | Near and Middle East
Politics | South Asia | South East Asia | Study of Religions

SOAS is a remarkable institution. Our Study Abroad and Exchange programme offers undergraduate and postgraduate students the opportunity to study at SOAS for either a semester or a year. You can transfer credit back to your home university so that the courses you select here form a part of your degree.



As a Study Abroad or Exchange student at SOAS, you are able to **design your own unique programme of study**. Whether you decide to focus on a particular region or concentrate on a specific discipline, you are free to choose courses from across each of our three Faculties and all of our Departments.

A SMALL, POWERFUL AND UNIQUE COMMUNITY

- SOAS is home to **5,500 students** from over **130 countries**, making for an exceptionally diverse institution.
- We have the highest concentration of **specialist staff** concerned with the study of **Asia, Africa and Middle East** in the world.
- Our **student to staff ratio** is one of the best in the UK (**11:1**); small group teaching is an important feature of study with us.
- Our students register **88% satisfaction** with the quality of teaching, overall experience, and library and IT resources (National Student Survey 2014).

DISTINCTIVE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Choose a combination of courses taken from our range of 350 undergraduate degree combinations and over 200 postgraduate programmes, all with a **unique regional focus and global relevance**.
- We offer an **unparalleled range of non-European languages**, all of which may be studied without previous knowledge.
- Take the opportunity to study traditional disciplines with a special focus on geographical and geopolitical issues beyond the western world

COSMOPOLITAN AND VIBRANT

- **Study in the heart of London** at the centre of historic Bloomsbury, minutes from the world-renowned British Museum and the British Library.
- Take advantage of **affordable, easy travel connections** from London to the rest of the UK, Europe and beyond.
- Enjoy an authentic UK university experience.

EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES

- SOAS houses one of only five national research libraries in the UK, a world-renowned resource containing over 1.5 million items in more than 400 languages.
- SOAS is ranked 6th in the UK for academic reputation (QS World University Rankings 2014) and 6th in the UK for effective teaching (Guardian University Guide 2015).
- Our Students' Union offers a range of societies and social activities, and represents all SOAS students.
- We provide a range of student services to support you during your time at SOAS. Student Advice and Wellbeing can help you in variety of areas including specialist advice for international students and disabled students, and guidance on study support, exams, money, counselling, health, immigration, personal wellbeing, self-help, and faith and spiritual practice.



GRADUATES MAKING A REAL DIFFERENCE

- Our alumni have been changing the world for nearly 100 years; they include **leaders, entrepreneurs, diplomats, NGO workers, media specialists, lawyers and teachers.**
- Employers value the **cultural competence of our graduates** – a vital skill in an inter-connected world.
- Join our active network of over **53,000 SOAS alumni across 190 countries.**

“My professors not only had superb grasps of the issues raised by the respective courses, but also went to great lengths to provide me with extensive feedback on my ideas and work. To top it off, they were all friendly, engaging and approachable.”

Hirsh Jain, Harvard Law School

HOW TO APPLY

We welcome applications from all students. SOAS holds Erasmus exchange agreements with a number of universities in Europe and also exchange agreements with many Japanese and Korean universities. All other students are welcome to apply as general Study Abroad students. We accept applications from both undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Review the entry requirements and decide when you want to study at SOAS, and for how long:

- Full academic year (Autumn and Spring semesters): September - June
- Term 1 only (Autumn semester): September - December
- Terms 2 and 3 only (Spring semester): January - June

Gain permission from your home institution and submit your application, including:

- Your application form – see www.soas.ac.uk/studyabroad
- Complete and official transcripts from your institution(s)
- One academic reference
- Your course preferences
- Evidence of English language proficiency (if English is not your first language)

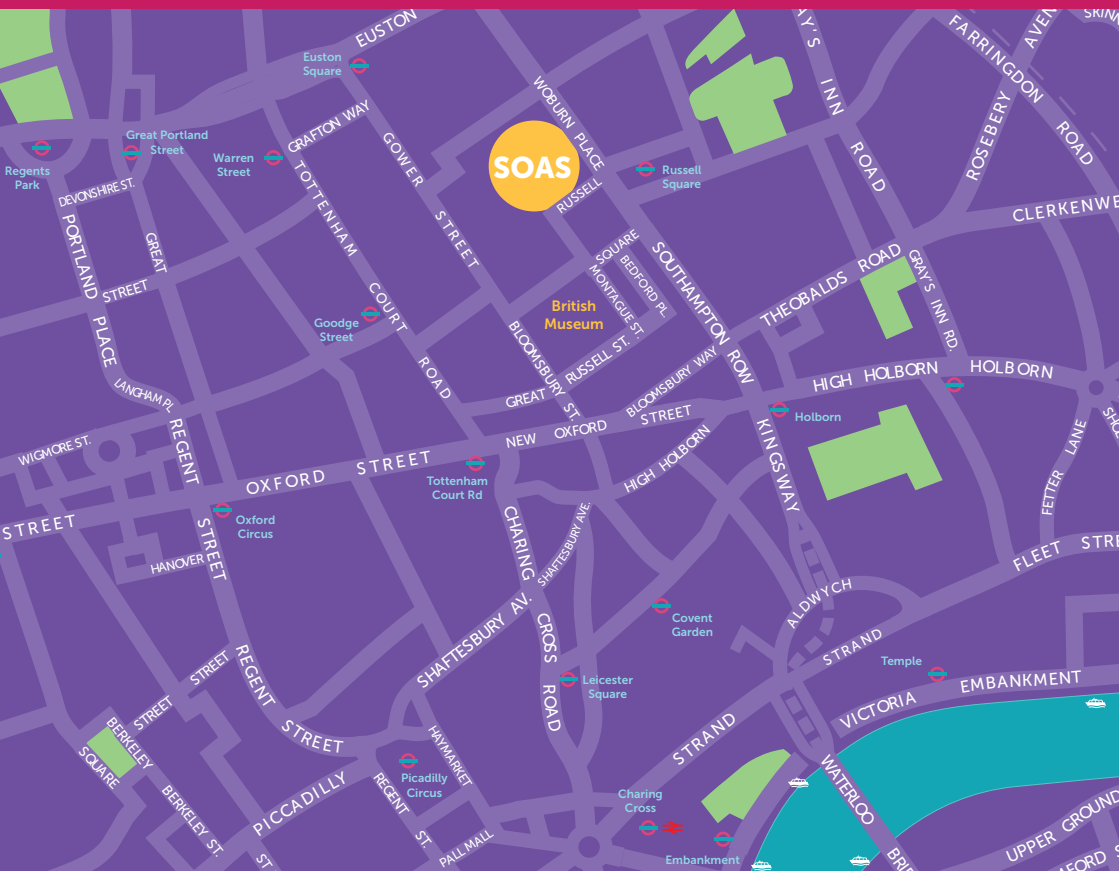
Submit your application to the SOAS Study Abroad Office:

- For September (Autumn) start: **apply by 30th June**
- For January (Spring) start: **apply by 30th October**
- If the deadline has passed, please contact us to see if we are still accepting applications



Lots of students often bypass a chance to study in the UK because they assume it won't be a culturally "exotic" experience since there is really no language or cultural barrier. Think again! The UK is a completely different country that possesses a distinctive culture and way of life. The people here are very diverse and come from all walks of life.

Hannah Kang, Georgetown University



ACCOMMODATION

Study Abroad/Exchange students are offered accommodation in the SOAS halls of residence, Dinwiddy House (for undergraduates and postgraduates) and Paul Robeson House (for postgraduates) on a first come, first served basis.

STUDY ENQUIRIES

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