Information for Incoming Exchange Students 2017/18

- City University London is among 5% of universities in the world (Times Higher Education World Rankings 2015)
- City University London is in the top university in London for student satisfaction according to National Student Survey 2015
- Notable City University alumni include Indian spiritual leader and political leader Mahatma Gandhi, and former British Prime Ministers Margaret Thatcher and Tony Blair.

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (SASS)

Situated right at the heart of one of the world’s greatest financial and political centres, SASS is part of the leading international university that has over 18,000 students from more than 150 countries and staff from over 75 countries.

Application: Exchange students must be nominated by one of our partner universities and will then be sent application form. Applicants must ensure that they have a passport, most recent transcript of results, academic reference and English language test results. They also have to write a personal statement explaining why they wish to study at SASS. If an application is successful the student will be issued with an acceptance letter, student number, supporting visa documentation, where applicable, and guidance for the next stage of admissions. Eligibility and How to Apply guidelines can be found on the website: [http://www.city.ac.uk/international/exchange-and-study-abroad/partnership-exchange/eligibility-and-how-to-apply](http://www.city.ac.uk/international/exchange-and-study-abroad/partnership-exchange/eligibility-and-how-to-apply)

Module Selection: Students will need provisionally select their modules before arrival. A selection of modules run by the School of Arts and Social Sciences can be found on the website: [http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences](http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences); for specific information please contact SASS.Exchanges@city.ac.uk

Accommodation: Due to high demand for student halls there are unfortunately extremely limited places for semester contracts. Prices and room availability are available on request through Study Abroad Office: study-abroad@city.ac.uk. The Student Centre has a range of information on various properties for rent in the private sector. They can be contacted for advice via email: accomm@city.ac.uk. For more information about accommodation visit: [http://www.city.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/accommodation/international-and-exchange-students](http://www.city.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/accommodation/international-and-exchange-students).

Assessment and Grading: Courses are assessed by coursework and examination. A grade of 40% for each component of the course is required to pass.

It is possible to take an official alternative examination assessment to be completed during term time rather than returning to the university for the main exam period – this can be registered in the first week. The last day of term would then be the last day of the teaching period.

KEY DATES AND CONTACTS

APPLICATION DEADLINES
Autumn Term & Full Year: 31 March 2017
Spring Term: 31 October 2017

TERM DATES
Autumn Term Orientation: 25 - 29 Sept 2017
Teaching: 2 Oct – 15 Dec 2017
Exams: 15-26 Jan 2018
Spring Term Orientation: 22-26 Jan 2018
Teaching: 29 Jan – 13 April 2018
Exams: 14 May – 8 June 2018

WEBSITE
[http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences](http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences)

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ACADEMIC STAFF PROFILES
[http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences/academics](http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences/academics)

EARLY ASSESSMENTS
**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

| Academic calendar | Autumn Term (Term 1): September - January  
| | Spring Term (Term 2): January - June  |
| Is it possible to enrol Modules from other faculties? | No, only modules within School of Arts and Social Sciences are available |
| Departments | Culture and Creative Industries, Economics, International Politics, Journalism, Music, Psychology, Sociology |
| Language of teaching | English. All exchange students must meet the standard language requirements for entry to City University London. Generally this is IELTS 6.5 or equivalent (IELTS 7 for Journalism). |
| Credit system | 2 UK credits = 1 ECTS |
| Usual work load | It is recommended that students take 4 modules per term for a full course load. Each term-long class passed is worth 15 credits (7.5 ECTS equivalent). |
| Grading system | A (Pass with Distinction): 70% and above  
| | B+ (Pass with Merit): 65-69%  
| | B (Pass with Merit): 60-64%  
| | C+ (Pass): 55-59%  
| | C (Pass): 50-54%  
| | D (Pass): 40-49%  
| | F (Fail): 0-39%  
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**LIFE ABROAD**

| Welcome sessions | There are welcome sessions at the beginning of each semester. |
| Cost of accommodation | Around £500 - £1000 a month (varies significantly depending on area) |
| Other expenses | Around £700 |
| Organisations/ Activities for the exchange students | Information about student life at City and London can be found here: [http://www.city.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/why-choose-city/student-life](http://www.city.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/why-choose-city/student-life) |
| English for Academic Purposes | English for Academic Purposes support is for non-native English speakers studying in the School of Arts & Social Sciences who need help with their English language skills. More information can be found here: [http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences/home/english-for-academic-purposes-eap](http://www.city.ac.uk/arts-social-sciences/home/english-for-academic-purposes-eap) |
| Visa (if necessary) | If your passport is issued by a country in the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland, you can enter the UK freely - you do not need a visa. If your passport is issued by another country, you should contact the UK embassy. More information: [http://www.city.ac.uk/international/international-students/international-student-visa-and-immigration-advice/tier-4-general-student-visas](http://www.city.ac.uk/international/international-students/international-student-visa-and-immigration-advice/tier-4-general-student-visas) |
| Health insurance | You should obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before coming to the UK, which entitles you to National Health Service (NHS) treatment. |