

# CITY GUIDE TO LONDON



# Why London?

London is one of the world's most visited cities and has something to offer everyone, from history and culture to fine food and drinks. You can lose yourself in the history of the city surrounded by eye-opening architecture, as well as iconic buildings such as the Tower of London, Buckingham Palace and Westminster Abbey. You can be entertained with West End shows and walks along the riverbank, or step into nature in one of the many parks. London also has a large music scene as well as contemporary art, poetry, writing and design. London has hosted many internationally recognised and global events, including the 2012 Olympics.



## **Our Campus:**

St James House, 10 Rosebery Avenue, London, EC1R 4TF Student Hub (Library, Welfare, Compliance and Finance Teams can be found here) 7-15 Rosebery Ave, London, EC1R 4SP

# Transport

#### Trains

There is a large network of train stations around the campus which can get you across the country. The closest stations include Farringdon Station, London Kings Cross, London Euston and London Liverpool Street.

## Тор Тір

- Use the Citymapper app to help guide you on your journey to work out the best way to get to your destination
- Buy a 16-25 OR 26-30 Railcard; for £30 save 1/3 on most rail fares across Britain for a year
- If you're 18 or over, a student and living in a London borough, you can get discounted travel with an Oyster photocard at tfl.gov.uk

## London Underground

Also known as the Tube, The London Underground is a vast network of railway lines that can take you around London and beyond.

Farringdon Station is one of the closest underground stations to get to campus, just a 10-minute walk away. London Farringdon Station, Cowcross Street, EC1M 6BY Chancery Lane Station is also located close to campus about a 10-minute walk away. Chancery Lane Station, High Holborn, WC1V 6DR

#### Buses

London has a great network of buses that can get you around London for a set price. The buses that travel closest to campus include: 19 38 46 N19 N38 N41 tfl.gov.uk

Coach Stations – there are a number of coach stations situated around London

- Golder's Green 1 Golders Green Road, London NW11 8DY
- Liverpool Street Liverpool Street Station (Stop G), London, EC2M 4AN
- Stratford Stratford City Bus Station, Montfichet Road, London, E20 1EG.
- Victoria Victoria Coach Stn, 164 Buckingham Palace Road, Victoria, London SW1W 9TP

#### Taxis



Uber Uber www.uber.com

# Healthcare

## NHS

Find a GP and a dentist to register with at **www.nhs.uk** 

## Closest A+E

 University College Hospital - 235 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BU, Tel: 020 3456 7890

#### Nearest Walk-In Centres

- St Bartholomew's Hospital West Smithfield, City of London, EC1A 7BE Tel: 020 7377 7000
- University College Hospital 235 Euston Road, London, NWI 2BU Tel: 020 3456 7890
- St Thomas' Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7EH Tel: 020 7188 7188

## Additional Helpful Information:

- 🌜 999: emergency help (ambulance, police & fire brigade)
- 💪 111: non-emergency medical support
- 💪 101: non-emergency police support
- 💪 112: emergency number for mobiles anywhere in the world

## What3Words

Download the app to give your exact location to emergency services

## Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

Citizens Advice provides free, independent, confidential, and impartial advice to everyone on their rights and responsibilities. www.citizensadvice.org.uk

## Gyms

- PureGym Farringdon this gym is a 5-minute walk from the campus offering a range of classes. 122 Clerkenwell Road, London, ECIR 5DL www.puregym.com/gyms/london-farringdon
- Gymbox Farringdon this gym is a little further and can be found 10 minutes' walk from campus. 12A Leather Lane, London, ECIN 7SS www.gymbox.com/gyms/farringdon

# Entertainment

## London Eye

While riding the London Eye, you can see up to 25 miles (40km) on a clear day. At an impressive 443 ft (135 metres) high, you'll be able to spot some of the capital's most iconic landmarks including Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace. www.londoneye.com

## **Big Ben**

Big Ben is the nickname for the Great Bell of the Great Clock of Westminster. That iconic silhouette is instantly recognisable and is one of the most photographed landmarks on the planet. Palace of Westminster, London, SW1A 0AA

## **Tower of London**

The Tower of London, officially His Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress of the Tower of London, is a historic castle on the north bank of the River Thames in central London. www.hrp.org.uk/tower-of-london

## **British Museum**

Discover two million years of human history and culture with multiple exhibitions and events. www.britishmuseum.org

## **National Gallery**

The National Gallery is an art museum in Trafalgar Square. See some of the world's most famous artwork, as well as are exhibitions and events. www.nationalgallery.org.uk

## The British Library

The British Library is the national library of the UK and contains many items of significance from the Magna Carta to handwritten Beatles lyrics, on some 400 miles of shelves. www.bl.uk





# Parks

## **Spa Fields**

This is a small park which can be found a 5 minute walk from campus that is great in summer to go and enjoy some fresh air. 91 Skinner Street, London ECIR OWX

## Wilmington Square

This park is a 10 minute walk from campus – 5 Wilmington Square, WCIX 0ES

## **The Regents Park**

The Regent's Park is one of London's eight Royal Parks and covers an area of 395 acres. The park combines large open spaces with tree-lined pathways, formal gardens, and four children's playgrounds. It has excellent sports facilities and contains central London's largest outdoor sports area. Getting there by Tube: Regent's Park (Bakerloo line) Great Portland Street (Hammersmith & City, Circle & Metropolitan lines) Baker Street (Hammersmith & City, Circle, Jubilee, Metropolitan & Bakerloo lines) St John's Wood (Jubilee line) Camden Town (Northern line) The Regent's Park Hub, NW1 4RU www.royalparks.org.uk

## **Hyde Park**

Set right in the heart of London, Hyde Park covers an area of 350 acres, offering both world-class events and concerts together with plenty of quiet places to relax and unwind.

Getting there by Tube: Lancaster Gate (Central Line) Marble Arch (Central Line) Hyde Park Corner (Piccadilly Line) Knightsbridge (Piccadilly Line) Hyde Park, W2 2UH www.royalparks.org.uk

# Student Discount Information



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TOTUM - The #1 UK Student Discount Card and App www.totum.com

Student Beans - Free Student Discounts www.studentbeans.com

#### **Culture Shock**

We know it can be scary coming to a new country or city to live, especially when you have to learn to adapt to a new or different culture and way of living. Culture shock may be experienced from the way people speak and behave, their values and beliefs, and even their clothes and food.

This is something which is completely normal to experience but sometimes it can be hard to adjust. It is important to find things that are familiar for you whether that is an activity, sport, or food. You are not alone though and if you find yourself struggling to adapt, the Welfare Team are here to support you.

#### Contact

The Welfare Team on 0121 756 9578 or email: gahe.welfare@ga.com

We have more information and a range of useful guides on our website: www.qahighereducation.com/welfare