Los Rios Study Abroad Application Checklist – London, Fall 2024

(1) <u>Check minimum eligibility</u> : 18 years old + 12 college units completed + 2.25 cumulative college GPA
(2) <u>Meet with your academic counselor</u> to plan which offered courses will best fulfill your educational goals. For a complete course list, visit: <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24Courses</u> . <i>Note: you must enroll in and complete 12 units from the list, including ANTH 391 and at least one HIST class</i> .
(3) <u>Considering financial aid</u> ? Schedule a meeting with <u>Dan Alexander</u> (ARC), <u>Phuong Le</u> (CRC), <u>Irina Randak</u> (FLC), or <u>Maritza LaVu</u> (SCC) to discuss eligibility, potential award, and other funding sources.
(4) <u>If you qualify for the California College Promise Grant (CCPG)</u> , add all the following schools to your <i>2024-2025 FAFSA</i> : American River College (001232), Los Medanos College (010340), Santa Rosa Junior College (001287), and Skyline College (007713).
(5) <u>Apply to the program and pay deposit</u> . The application is on the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS) website: <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24App</u> . A \$450 deposit is due prior to processing. For refund information, visit: <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24Rfd</u> .
(6) <u>Complete student information Google Form</u> at <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24Gform</u> . This is where you will be asked to confirm program options and indicate class preferences, among other things.
(7) Email the following items to studyabroad@losrios.edu :
 Photo ID – legible photo or scan, showing birthdate Unofficial college transcripts – representing all completed college coursework Los Rios waiver (tinyurl.com/Lon24Waive) – completed and signed Consortium agreement (tinyurl.com/Lon24Agrmnt) – completed and signed FERPA consent (tinyurl.com/Lon24Ferpa) – completed and signed; parent/guardian listed
(8) <u>Check your email for an onboarding meeting invitation</u> . This meeting with program director Adam Windham is when you are officially confirmed for the study abroad program!
(9) <u>Using financial aid</u> ? Schedule another meeting with <u>Dan Alexander</u> (ARC), <u>Phuong Le</u> (CRC), <u>Irina Randak</u> (FLC), or <u>Maritza LaVu</u> (SCC) to check your eServices status, fill out required forms, discuss next steps, and ask questions. For details, review the Financial Aid Checklist: <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24Aid</u> .
(10) <u>Apply for scholarships, create a budget, and start saving!</u> Research and apply for scholarships, including the <i>Study Abroad Ambassador Scholarship</i> : <u>tinyurl.com/Lon24Schlr</u> . In addition to the AIFS program housing/admin fee (homestay \$9,495; student residence \$11,250), other items to budget for <u>include</u> airfare (group package \$ TBD or schedule your own), tuition (\$552 - \$690; \$0 with CCPG), textbooks (\$ Varies), meals and personal expenses (depends on lifestyle; \$2,100 - \$3,000+), optional upgrades (additional medical \$65; Scotland \$695), and any additional adventures you might want to take while in the United Kingdom.
(11) <u>Register for classes</u> . Once confirmed, <i>your space in classes will be reserved</i> — so don't worry about registration until we send detailed instructions via email closer to the enrollment period. <i>Note:</i> you will register for each class separately through the college offering it, so <i>it is likely you will be registering in multiple college districts</i> . Don't worry, we will guide you!
(12) Attend pre-departure meetings:
 Los Rios Kickoff Reception (recommended): TBD July 2024; American River College Pre-Departure Orientation (mandatory): August 17, 2024; Skyline College (San Bruno CA)