



Offer Holder News March 2024

Dear ,

Welcome to our March newsletter! This month we focus on accommodation. The accommodation booking portal has now opened, and we encourage you to think about booking accommodation sooner rather than later.

If you are holding an unconditional offer, we'd like to encourage you to send through your verified documents (i.e. a transcript straight from your previous institution) earlier rather than later. In the summer, when conditional offer holders receive their results from their current institution, we receive thousands of results to process at the same time. If you can avoid the rush - do! A little reminder, offer holders can contact Graduate Admissions via Livechat when we are online through the [Knowledge Base](#). This is ideal when you have a quick query or you need clarification.

We hope that you enjoy this month's issue, and look forward to welcoming you later this year.

Kind regards,

Graduate Admissions Office

Finding Accommodation

Coming to live in London, and finding the right accommodation here, may seem daunting at first. However, once you have

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established what your needs are, and what options are available, it shouldn't be long before you've found a home in London with LSE.

LSE Residential Halls

University Halls are a great way to meet a real mix of people, from the UK, and international student. Each year we allocate over 4,000 places in halls, across 15 different locations in central London (nearly all in walking distance of LSE!).

Accommodation bookings are now open and can be made via your [LSE student accommodation portal](#). You can access the accommodation portal using the same details that you used to create your LSE Public Account. You must have accepted your offer to study at least 48 hours prior to ensure you can access the accommodation booking system. Please do see our [accommodation webpage](#) for more information on how to make your booking.

Finding Private Housing in London

Many LSE students live in privately rented housing and commute to the School every day. It may be difficult to arrange this sort of accommodation before arriving in London, as you should inspect any property before committing to rent it. We would advise you to allow a minimum of two weeks to search for accommodation (students with children should allow longer).

We've put a guide together to get you started: [Finding private housing](#)

All UK landlords are now required by law to check that tenants have a right to live in the UK. Students searching for private housing should be prepared to show prospective landlords their documentation. Accepted documents include:

- **Passport** or national identity card from Great Britain, EEA or Switzerland
- A full **birth/adoption certificate** AND a **CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies) letter** confirming the holder's acceptance on a current course of studies.
- If an international student, a **visa/Biometric Residence Permit** to show that you are allowed to stay in the UK for the relevant time period.

We would recommend you DO NOT send any original documents to your landlord via post. Bring the documents with you in person,

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Notes and dates for the Diary

Apply for the Graduate Support Scheme as soon as possible. The application process will close on **25th April 2024** (applications close at 5pm UK time).

News from around LSE

["Peace and freedom are not a heritage we own; we have to work for it in every generation". German Finance Minister speaks at LSE](#)

Germany's Federal Minister of Finance,

and ask the landlord to make a copy of the document while you are present, and to return the original to you, or bring along copies along with the originals. If you require further information on what you will be required to provide to landlords, please contact private.housing@lse.ac.uk for advice.

LSE Halls of residence, and those provided by its partner organisations (urbanest, Sanctuary Housing and the University of London), are exempt from the above legislation, and students will not need to provide additional documentation to secure a place in any of these halls.

The University of London (UoL) has an extensive [private housing database](#), which you can search to find available properties. We also recommend that you take a look at the online [UoL Private Housing Guide](#) to view a wide range of advice on how to find private housing in London that suits your needs.

LSE also has short-term temporary accommodation from August if you need to stay in an LSE hall while searching for a flat. Short term accommodation can be booked at lsevacations.co.uk



Accommodation fees

Fees for LSE Halls vary depending on the particular hall you choose.

Utility bills, Wi-Fi internet access and contents insurance, as well as the welfare support are included in the rent you pay. Some contracts include catering, so you don't have to cook.

You may wish to check the [2024/25 Table of Accommodation Fees](#), before deciding which hall is best for you.

Christian Lindner, addressed a packed audience at LSE on Monday as part of a wide-ranging conversation moderated by Eric Neumayer, LSE's Interim President and Vice Chancellor, and hosted by the European Institute.

LSE Events

[What it means to be a human in a world changed by AI](#)

Wednesday 27 March
2024 6:30pm to 8:00pm
GMT

Hosted by The Data
Science Institute

An online and In-Person
Public Event

Video of the month:

[My experience at the Department of Media and Communication as a graduate student | LSE Student Vlogs](#)

LSE Blogs:

As schedule of payment dates will be made available in your licence agreement, but generally, fees are due on a termly basis, by the end of the second week of each term.

Contacting Residential Services

If you would like to get in touch with LSE Residential Services Office, they would be happy to provide you with advice on LSE Halls and searching for private accommodation.

The Residential Services team are available to respond to enquiries between Monday to Friday, 9am to 5.30pm GMT.

[Live chat](#)

[Online Enquiry Form](#)

[Book a 15 minute Zoom appointment with an advisor](#)

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[The ultimate packing list for new LSE students](#)

LSE Students Blog

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