# LSE Department of Statistics

## Student Events Guide 2019/20 Undergraduate and MSc students

### Welcome to the Department of Statistics!

We have planned a variety of events throughout the year, to help you settle in to the Department and learn from new experiences. This booklet outlines our upcoming events in more detail, giving you a brief overview of the year ahead.

Further details will be advertised on our Events page, nearer the time of the event.

### Ise.ac.uk/Statistics/Events

### **Michaelmas Term**

### **River Cruise: Welcome Event for new students**

Friday 4 October 2019, 6pm-9:30pm

All students who are new to the Department (Undergraduate, MSc and PhD)

See London in style! Join us for a cruise along the River Thames and see many of London's most famous attractions. The River Cruise is a perfect way to meet new friends, socialise with students from different courses and introduce yourself to our academics. With music, a large food buffet and the chance to see the sights of London, the River Cruise is the perfect way to begin your year at LSE!

### **Michaelmas Term**

### **Bletchley Park**

12 October 2019, 10:30am-2:30pm First Year Undergraduates £15 (entrance fee and transport)

The Bletchley Park visit offers you a great opportunity to tour the famous Bletchley Park, engage in code-breaking activities and see the Enigma machine. The visit will include an interactive workshop session and a guided tour. During the workshop you will use practical problem solving and team-working skills, to understand the scale of the task faced by WW2 codebreakers at Bletchley Park. The guided tour allows you to delve deeper into the story of Bletchley Park and the process of sending, intercepting and decrypting coded messages. You will also have the opportunity to explore the mansion and the surrounding museums.

### 'Keep calm and study in the Stats Department'

23 October, 20th November 2019, 5pm – 6:30pm (Social from 6pm-6:30pm) *First Year Undergraduates* 

Starting University can be a huge transition! Our 'Keep calm and study in the Stats Department' sessions provide helpful advice to support you at the beginning of your Statistics journey. Held throughout Michaelmas and Lent term, these sessions aim to make you feel at ease with your studies and the year ahead. First sessions will include presentations from our 2nd year students, information about the Department and advice for living in London. Later sessions will be led by your questions. We are here to provide general support and guidance in your first year, so do come along!



## **Careers events (Actuarial Science, Data Science and Finance)**

Michaelmas Term Undergraduate and MSc students

For our Careers events, the Department invites industrial partners who thrive in their field to give a presentation on subjects including:

- · Introduction to the company and the role of the profession.
- How career paths may develop over 1/2/5/10 years, including how career paths can vary based on an individual's interests.
- Case studies of current company colleagues.
- Insight into company's application process and more general tips for completing applications forms.
- A general Q&A, where you can ask any questions about the company or the profession.

### **Michaelmas Term**

#### Careers with a Statistics Degree Panel Mid-October 2019

#### Undergraduate and MSc students

This event is essential if you want to apply your degree in the workplace. Panellists will discuss their own education, their recruitment experiences and how they apply statistics in their workplace. At the end, there will be the opportunity to ask questions and network with the panellists over drinks. Bring your questions along with you!

### **MSc Cumberland Lodge Residential** Friday 18 October 2019 to Sunday 20 October 2019

#### MSc students

The Department will be organising a 3-day residential weekend to Cumberland lodge for MSc students. This is an excellent opportunity to bond with fellow MSc students, PhD students, and academic staff over informal group activities and challenges during the stay. The weekend will be a mixture of academic activities, combined with opportunities to relax and enjoy the beautiful surrounding area of Windsor Great Park. More information can be found in the Cumberland Lodge booklet on our webpage.



### **Michaelmas Term**

### Visit to Lloyd's

5 November 2019, 2.30pm Second Year Undergraduate students

Lloyd's of London provides specialist insurance services to hundreds of businesses worldwide. Undergraduate students will have the chance to attend a 1 hour visit where you can view the Underwriting room, loss book, Lutine bell and Nelson collection. Depending on availability, you may also see the famous Adam dining room, which dates back to 1763!

### **Visit to Bloomberg**

#### 7 November 2019, 2-4pm Second Year Undergraduate students

Interested in Bloomberg LTD? During Michaelmas term, second year Undergraduate students will have the opportunity to attend a two-hour visit, which will include a guided tour of the building and an insight into the key processes at Bloomberg. In the second hour, you will attend a demo on the Bloomberg terminals.

### **Christmas Party**

November 2019 Both Undergraduate and MSc students

Come and celebrate the end of term with our Christmas party for all students! Our previous parties have been very popular, with Christmas music and food to enjoy, so make sure you secure your tickets early!



### Lent Term

### **Statistics Alumni Mixer**

January 2020 All Statistics students

The Alumni Mixer is an informal networking event for all Statistics students. The Mixer is fully catered, with food and drink available throughout the evening and the event provides a great opportunity to receive advice and tips from our successful Alumni!



#### MSc Programme Talk – 'Interested in taking an MSc?' Lent Term 2020 Final year Undergraduate students

Many of our Undergraduate students decide to continue their study to MSc level. Our programme talk provides an introduction to our MSc Programmes. Programme Directors will hold a short presentation to introduce their programme, answering your questions at the end of the session.

### **Practitioners' Challenge**

#### **February/March 2020** *Final year Undergraduate students and MSc students*

The Practitioners' Challenge is a great opportunity to improve your networking and presentation skills, through a small group competition. Groups will be required to produce a short written report and perform a group presentation under the supervision of academic staff. All groups will receive a prize for their work and the challenge is a valuable addition to your CV.



### **Lent Term**

### **Undergraduate Cumberland Lodge Residential** 3-5 April 2020 *All Undergraduate students*

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### **Research your researcher! Undergraduate and MSc** February/March 2020 All Undergraduate students

'Research your researcher!' allows you to develop your understanding about the academics in our Department and their research. It consists of forming a group of 5-6 people, choosing a senior academic in our Department and investigating their work. Groups will be required to meet on a regular basis, conducting group interviews with the academic and presenting their findings.

#### **Undergraduate End of Term Student Social** End of Lent Term 2020 *Undergraduate students*

After all your hard work during Michaelmas and Lent term, come and celebrate at our Undergraduate or MSc End of Term Social! Our end of term socials are usually held in a relaxed atmosphere, with catering, music and photo opportunities for you to enjoy.

### Undergraduate and MSc End of Term Student Farewell End of Lent Term 2020

#### Third Year Undergraduates and MSc students

And just like that, your time at LSE is nearly finished! Come and join the fun farewell with your fellow students, enjoy the food, drinks and photo opportunities, while celebrating the hard work completed during your degree. It's going to be emotional!



### **Summer Term**

### **Second Year Project**

Summer Term 2020 Undergraduate students

This project provides second year students with the opportunity to learn and apply statistical methods to real data problems. The project will support your development of skills in managing large datasets, computing, report writing and communication, through investigating the potential grade inflation at LSE. At the end of the project, you will be asked present your research to the next cohort of second year students.

### **Research Internship**

### Summer Term 2020

#### Undergraduate students

LSE LIFE and LSE Teaching & Learning Centre are launching an initiative to offer Undergraduate students the chance to work with their faculty on research projects. There are two positions available, focusing mainly on the estimation of regression models for location, scale and shape with complicated log-likelihoods. Research interns will complete 100 hours of paid work and each successful student will receive approximately £1800 for their effort.



### Feedback

We are always looking to improve our events and we welcome your feedback. Please let us know your thoughts through the anonymous feedback form on our website or the feedback boxes in your common rooms. Alternatively, you are welcome to email statsitics@lse.ac.uk.

Please remember that exact details are not currently available for all events and we will be in touch with further information closer to the time of the event.



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