

Study Abroad and  
Exchange Programme  
at SOAS

## SOAS University of London is a remarkable institution and offers a Study Abroad experience like no other.

Our Study Abroad and Exchange programme gives undergraduate and postgraduate students the opportunity to study at SOAS for either a term or the full academic year, after which you'll receive a transcript to transfer credit back to your home institution.

You are also able to design your own unique programme of study, which means you have the freedom to focus on a particular region or concentrate on a specific discipline. You are also able to choose modules from any of our academic departments.

### A small, powerful and unique community

- SOAS is home to **6,300 students** from over **135 countries**, making for an exceptionally diverse institution.
- We have the highest concentration in the world of **specialist staff** concerned with the study of **Asia, Africa and Middle East**.
- Our **student to staff ratio** is one of the best in the UK (**11:1**); small group teaching is an important feature of study with us.

### Distinctive educational experience

- Choose a combination of modules taken from our range of 350 undergraduate degree combinations and over 200 postgraduate programmes, all with a **unique regional focus and global relevance**.
- We offer an **unparalleled range of non-European languages**, many of which may be studied without previous knowledge.
- Take the opportunity to study traditional disciplines with a special focus on geographical and geopolitical issues beyond the western world.



### Cosmopolitan and vibrant

- **Study in the heart of London** at the centre of historic Bloomsbury, minutes from the world-renowned British Museum and the British Library.
- Take advantage of **affordable, easy travel connections** from London to the rest of the UK, Europe and beyond.

### Exceptional facilities

- SOAS recently moved into Senate House, home to the University of London, creating a **close-knit campus with new lecture theatres, seminar rooms and study space**.
- SOAS houses **one of only five national research libraries in the UK**, a world-renowned resource containing over 1.5 million items in more than 400 languages. Students also have access to Senate House Library and other University of London facilities.
- Our **Students' Union** is known as one of the most active in the UK and offers a wide range of different academic, cultural and regional societies, so there is something for everyone!
- Study Abroad and Exchange students at SOAS are welcome to use all our services and facilities, including **Student Advice and Wellbeing and the Careers Service**. We have specialist support for international students including in-sessional English classes, and have a dedicated Disability Office to make sure our students' different needs are met.

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I would totally recommend the Study Abroad programme to everyone! I met so many amazing people, learned so many new things and above all, fell head over heels in love with SOAS. Definitely will be returning in the future.

**Paulien Broens**  
**Ghent University**

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### Graduates making a real difference

- Our alumni have been changing the world for over 100 years; they include **leaders, entrepreneurs, diplomats, NGO workers, media specialists, lawyers and teachers**.
- Employers value the **cultural competence of our graduates** – a vital skill in an inter-connected world.
- Join our active network of over **35,000 SOAS alumni across 190 countries**.

### Accommodation

- Study Abroad / Exchange students typically stay in our SOAS accommodation – Dinwiddy House - which is approximately 20 minutes by foot from the SOAS campus, however there are a number of other housing options available.

### How to apply:

We welcome applications from students from all over the world, at both undergraduate and postgraduate level.

Your institution does not need to have an exchange agreement with SOAS for you to study with us, and we also accept applications through Study Abroad providers.

**Review the entry requirements and decide when you want to study at SOAS, and for how long:**

- Full academic year (Autumn and Spring semesters): September – June.
- Term 1 only (Autumn semester): September – December.
- Terms 2 and 3 only (Spring semester): January – June.

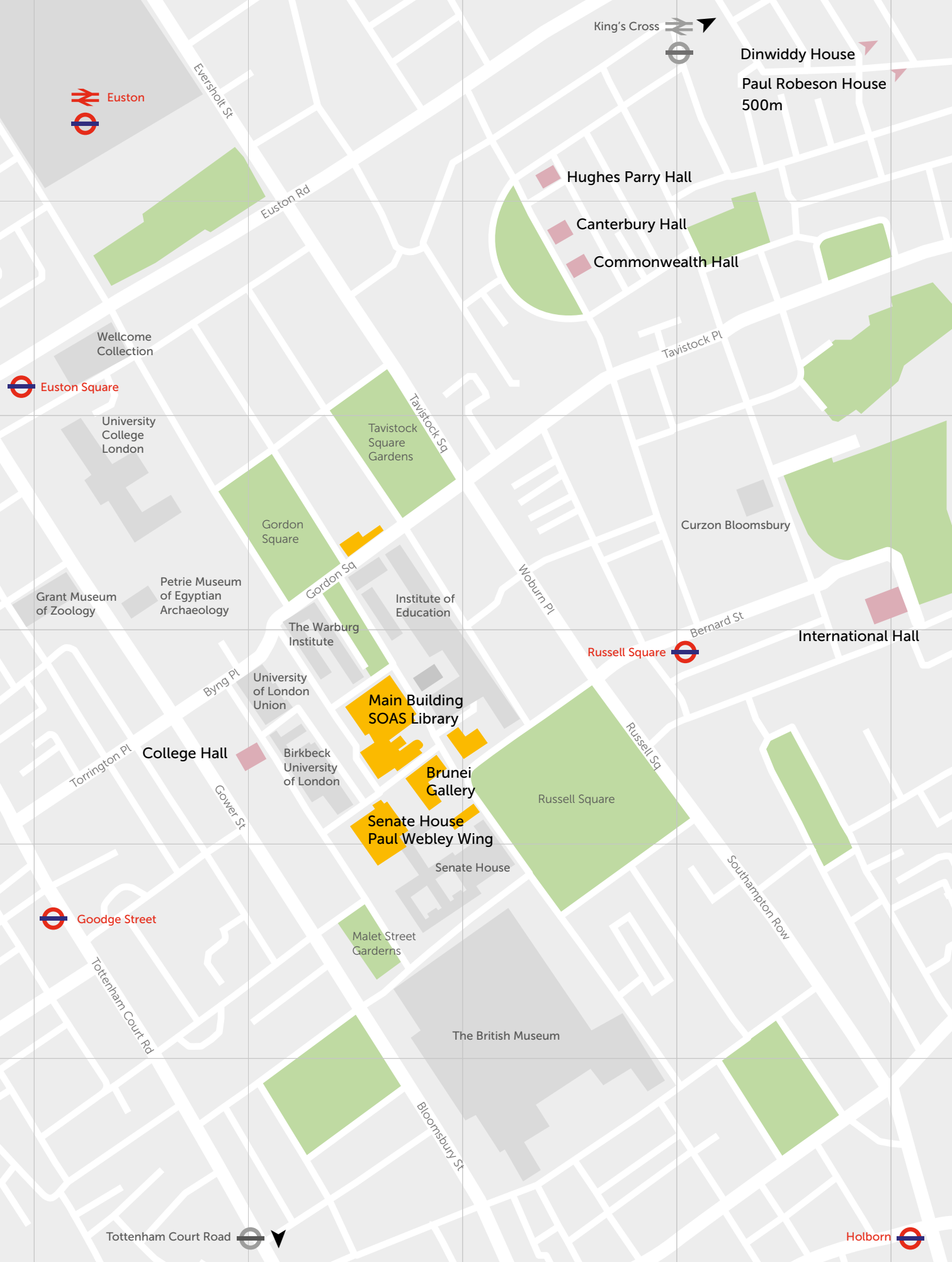
**Gain permission from your home institution and submit your application, including:**

- our application form – see [www.soas.ac.uk/studyabroad](http://www.soas.ac.uk/studyabroad)
- Official transcript from your home institution.
- One academic reference.
- Evidence of English language proficiency (if English is not your first language, please see our webpages for further details on which qualifications we accept).

**Submit your application to the SOAS Study Abroad Office at:**

- [studyabroad@soas.ac.uk](mailto:studyabroad@soas.ac.uk)
- For September (Autumn) start: **apply by 30th June**.
- For January (Spring) start: **apply by 31st October**.
- If the deadline has passed, please contact us to see if we are still able to accept applications.





- Africa
- Anthropology and Sociology
- School of Arts
- Media Studies
- Music
- China and Inner Asia
- Development Studies
- Economics
- Finance and Management
- Gender Studies
- History
- Japan and Korea
- Law
- Linguistics
- Near and Middle East
- Politics & International Studies
- Religions and Philosophies
- South Asia
- South East Asia

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Lots of students often bypass a chance to study in the UK because they assume it won't be a culturally "exotic" experience since there is really no language or cultural barrier. Think again! The UK is a completely different country that possesses a distinctive culture and way of life. The people here are very diverse and come from all walks of life.

**Hannah Kang**  
**Georgetown University**

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