

## OVERVIEW

Studying abroad helps students develop an appreciation of human diversity and an understanding of different world views. This is invaluable for students' personal and professional development. London is one of the most exciting and multicultural cities in the world. Thus, it is a perfect setting to study the cultural determinants of behavior. On average, 100 different languages are spoken in each borough of London, with 22% of the population speaking another language besides English as their first language.

The Psychology in London Program allows students to immerse themselves in this cultural experience while advancing their academic studies. Each summer, students in the Program take two upper division psychology courses that are not offered on the Tallahassee campus. Courses are small in size (30-40 students) and count as 4000-level electives that can fulfill either psychology major or minor requirements. In addition to class meetings, the program involves a variety of excursions, some of which have direct relevance to the courses (e.g., Darwin's home, Freud Museum, Science Museum) and some of which are of general social, cultural, and historical interest (e.g., Houses of Parliament, Windsor Castle, Shakespeare performance at the Globe Theatre). More information about the program can be found using this link:

<https://international.fsu.edu/Program/England/Psychology.aspx>.

The Psychology in London Program is designed for psychology majors, psychology minors, and other students interested in psychology who have completed General Psychology (PSY 2012) with a C- or better. The dates for the 2024 Program are **June 7 to August 4, 2024** (8-weeks). The cost is \$12,565.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Bright Futures, Florida Prepaid, and 529 Plans Apply. To help make this Program more accessible to students with limited financial resources, FSU's Department of Psychology, in collaboration with FSU's International Programs, established a new scholarship fund in 2014. Awards go to students who meet criteria for both academic achievement and financial need. Awards are up to \$2000 for use toward the FSU London Psychology Summer Program. Other scholarships also are available. The deadline to

apply for scholarships to study abroad with FSU during summer 2024 is Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. More information about scholarships and financial aid can be found using the following link:

<https://international.fsu.edu/Students.aspx#MoneyMatters>.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS & INSTRUCTORS for SUMMER 2024**

**Students take two courses not offered in Tallahassee.** Both count as 4000-level psychology electives that can be used toward the psychology major or minor. Both include small class size (25-35 students) and a variety of course-related excursions in London.

See course descriptions below:

### **1) *PSY4930 Special Topics in Psychology: Cross-cultural Comparisons of Applied Social Psychology.***

Social psychology is the study of how people think and behave as they interact with others. With topics ranging from aggression and prejudice to romantic attraction and helping, it is one of the most broadly applicable branches of psychology. The ways people think and behave vary in fascinating ways throughout the world, of course, so a study abroad program provides unique opportunities to explore cross-cultural comparisons. This does not mean, however, that our discussions will consist only of the differences between England and the United States, as there is far greater variance within these countries than between them. For example, recent presidential elections may make the United States seem uniquely politically divided, but the infamous “Brexit” vote to leave the European Union in 2016 and contentious arguments between the Conservative and Labor parties at Westminster show that these divisions are not so unique to the United States, after all. This course, designed in an advanced seminar style, will guide students through cross-cultural comparisons of numerous social psychological constructs, including the development of social identity and its influence on the ways in which communities unite and divide around highly impactful topics such as politics, religion, and sports. To reinforce these connections, students’ learning will be supported via diverse course-sponsored excursions, including trips to the House of Commons, attending world class theater, and exploring some of London’s historic sites.

Instructor: Dr. Ed Hansen, Teaching Professor of Psychology

## **2) PSY4930 Special Topics in Psychology: Personality, Crime, & Violence**

The topic of criminal behavior is both fascinating and complex. Variants of criminal deviancy range from one-time petty rule violations on one hand to repeated acts of extreme violence, such as serial murder, on the other. To understand criminal behavior, we need to consider internal characteristics of individuals, situations they find themselves in, and general conditions of society. A subject of particular importance to a psychological understanding of criminality and violence is personality – that is, internal dispositions arising from genetic and environmental influences that influence behavior in different situations across time. This course will review what we currently know about personality traits, factors that give rise to them, and how they relate to nonviolent and violent criminal behavior. A particular focus of the class will be on the topic of psychopathic personality (psychopathy) and the related concept of antisocial personality disorder. We will review existing diagnostic criteria for these disorders and discuss distinctions between them and other psychiatric disorders. Using case histories from London and the UK more broadly, we will examine differing expressions of psychopathy, including how it appears in women and children, and criminal versus “successful” subtypes. Course activities will include hands-on experience with clinical diagnostic assessment and psychological profiling, and field trips to course-relevant sites in London. The closing portion of the course will apply concepts covered in prior sections to an understanding of the extreme phenomena of serial murder and mass shooting – with specific consideration of cases from the UK and the United States.

Instructor: Dr. Chris Patrick, Distinguished Research Professor, Director of Clinical Training, Clinical Psychology Program

### **FEES, DEADLINES, FINANCIAL AID & MORE:**

Psychology in London Program (Program code: LN97) **June 7 to August 4, 2024** (8 weeks) Fees: **\$12,565 (see below for what is and is not included)**

#### **PROGRAM FEES**

### Include:

- All registration fees
- Instructional costs for 6 undergraduate credits
- Welcome orientation
- Housing
- Weekly Breakfast Boxes
- £40 worth of meal vouchers per each 4-week session
- Program-planned half-day and full-day excursions within London and around the UK
- Program-planned weekend trips within the UK
- Course-specific field trips
- Program-planned excursions/group activities
- Full-time academic support
- Full-time administrative and pastoral support
- Health insurance
- Scheduled group airport pick-up
- London transport pass
- IP welcome gift

### Do Not Include:

- Round-trip international airfare
- Passport
- Food (except as noted on program calendar)
- Books and supplies
- Personal travel/activity money
- Personal spending money
- University-assessed fees (e.g., per credit hour technology fee)



FSU International Programs Fair: October 25, 2023, Landis Green, 11-3. Get info on all FSU Study Abroad Programs. Financial Aid Specialist will be there. Stop by the Psychology table!

### **Important Dates and Fees\*:**

Applications open.\*\* Application fee is \$100

Scholarship Application Deadline

Commitment fee of \$1,500 (included in program cost)

Final Payment Due

Wednesday, October 4th, 2023

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

\*Fees are non-refundable. \*\*Program fills up quickly so apply as soon as you can! It is half full already as of 10/11/2023.

**TO APPLY:** Go to:

<https://international.fsu.edu/Program/England/Psychology.aspx>. Click the word at **Apply** next to the pen.



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