# Washington State Community College Consortium for Study Abroad London Program Fall Quarter 2020



## The AIFS program fees include the following:

Option A: Shared Homestay: \$7,510.00 Option B: Shared Apartment: \$9,210.00

**Option A** - accommodations in a twin-bedded room in a homestay in London including continental breakfast five days a week, kitchen/laundry access, and WiFi (towels not included); optional upgrade for dinner daily in the homestay for \$725 **Option B** - shared accommodations in a fully furnished apartment in central London with kitchen/laundry access, and WiFi; no meals are included

### Both options include:

- Orientation program on arrival including an orientation meeting with AIFS staff, information on safety/security and travel, and a half-day guided sightseeing tour of London by private bus
- Oyster Card travel pass valid for unlimited use of the buses and underground trains in travel zones 1-3 (for homestay students Option A) or zones 1-2 (for apartment students Option B)
- British Life and Culture course focusing on historical, political, economic and cultural aspects of contemporary Britain, including weekly lectures and three local field trips
- Membership of the Imperial College Union, giving access to over 350 Union clubs and societies, and to Imperial College
  events
- Membership with borrowing rights of the local public libraries
- Cultural calendar of heavily subsidized activities including day trips, walking tours, theater performances and sporting events
- International Student Identity Card (ISIC)
- Optional internship placements (with AIFS guidance, students will apply for a Tier 4 visa prior to UK arrival)
- Access to the AIFS Student Center and dedicated AIFS Student Services staff for information, personal advising/counseling, and 24-hour emergency contact service
- Medical and program fee refund insurance policies

#### Program fees do not include the following:

- Transportation package consisting of round-trip airfare between Seattle and London, and transfers overseas between the airport in London and the student housing on the standard program dates for \$TBC
- Mandatory additional U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges of \$TBC (subject to change)
- Tier 4 Visa for students taking the optional internship placement (Students taking this option must apply and pay for the Tier 4 Visa before arriving in the U.K. The current cost is £348/\$427 and is subject to change.)
- Optional four-day/three-night weekend trip to Scotland for \$625
- WCCCSA tuition or administrative fees
- Textbooks
- Meals other than those listed above
- Passport and visa fees if applicable
- Field trips or excursions other than those specified
- Personal expenses such as laundry
- Optional personal effects coverage and medical insurance upgrade

#### **2020 PROGRAM DATES**

Thursday, September 24 AIFS flight departs U.S. for London, England.
Friday, September 25 Arrive in London. Transfer to your accommodations.
Sunday, December 6 End of program. AIFS flight departs London for U.S.

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#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR AIFS FEES

#### Option A - Shared Homestay Option B - Shared Apartment Fall Quarter Fee Due Date Fall Quarter Fee Due Date July 1, 2020 Enrollment deposit Enrollment deposit \$450.00 \$450.00 July 1, 2020 Balance of fees \$7,060.00 July 31, 2020 Balance of fees \$8,760.00 July 31, 2020 Total \$7,510.00 Total \$9,210.00 Optional \$TBC.00 July 31, 2020 Airfare Taxes/Fees/Fuel (subject to change) \$TBC.00 July 31, 2020 July 1, 2020 Scotland tour deposit \$50.00 Balance of Scotland tour \$575.00 July 31, 2020 Medical Insurance Upgrade \$65.00 July 31, 2020 Personal Effects Coverage \$90.00 July 31, 2020

All students must submit the \$450 deposit (plus \$50 for the optional Scotland tour, if selected) when completing the online enrollment form. Subsequent payments may be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "AIFS." American Express, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

Financial Aid students are responsible for paying by Friday, July 31, 2020, the airfare (\$TBC), taxes/fees/fuel surcharges (\$TBC-subject to change), an \$850 program reservation deposit, and any remaining balance that will not be covered by aid.

If you select the 'Apartment Option' and do not pay the balance of program fees by the deadline date AIFS reserves the right to place you in a 'Homestay.'

Please note: A \$35 returned check fee will be charged on all checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds.

#### **AIFS AIRFARE PACKAGE**

Participants have the option of purchasing a round-trip ticket for the flight arranged through AIFS. Participants choosing this option should note the following restrictions: Tickets purchased from AIFS are exclusively on scheduled airlines (not charters). They are not endorsable to another carrier. Flights are not necessarily direct or non-stop, and frequent flyer miles are not applicable. AIFS will book flights on the dates indicated on this application only. AIFS cannot guarantee that all passengers will be booked on the same flight.

Participants wishing to purchase the Transportation Package should select this option on the online enrollment form, or if you wish to add the flight after you complete the form you must notify AIFS in writing by Wednesday, July 1, 2020. Participants wishing to cancel from the flight must notify AIFS in writing by Friday, July 31, 2020. Cancellation penalties will apply. Tickets are non-refundable after this date.

**AIFS Airfare Regulations:** Return must be to original U.S. departure point. Tickets are subject to airline availability. No refunds are available for any unused portion of ticket. Tickets cannot be rerouted, and stopovers are not permitted. Once in London, participants may be able to change their return date, but only if that date is available and in the same class of service in which the ticket was booked. Only the ticketing agent can provide this information. Participants are subject to agency and airline-imposed change fees and space availability. Group round-trip ground transportation to and from the airport in London is on the regularly scheduled program dates only.

A minimum of 10 students must take the AIFS flight for it to be offered.