



June 25–July 2, 2019

Summer Scholars Program England 2019

A one-week London program for high school students



Summary:

Using our world as an exciting lab for learning, this one-week program will allow students to engage their interests in a very fun and real way, using London as our base.

Sessions:

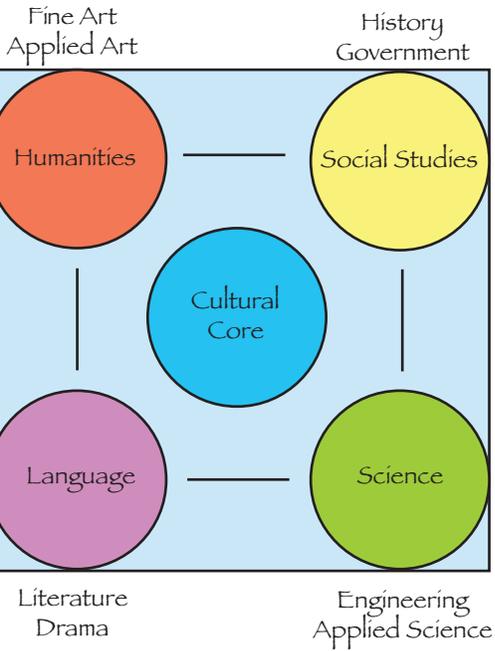
The program is divided into half day blocks. Morning sessions are designed to be topic-specific and will relate generally to the focus areas of Humanities, Social Studies, Language or Science. Students will have an opportunity to chose which session to attend, based on their interests. Afternoon sessions will focus around core experiences and will be for all students. Planned evening events will be scheduled each night to focus on cultural experiences, such as theater, cultural exploration or cuisine.

Faculty:

Our team of enthusiastic, credentialed curriculum faculty are professional educators who have been selected from a variety of Chicago-area schools specifically for their excellence in teaching and their experience in overseas travel.

Participation:

This affordable program is designed to be fun and intellectually engaging. There is no homework, grading or assignments, only experiencing, seeing, listening, discussing and learning! Participation is open to any high school students from any school, including graduated seniors, who are interested in experiencing culture. This unique pool of participants allows friends from different schools to participate. Students from previous years are also encouraged to enroll, as each session is unique.



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Sample Itinerary

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Students will have an opportunity to select a session each morning from any of the four focus areas (Humanities, Language Social Studies and Science), based on their interests. After the morning sessions, all students will participate in the afternoon core activity and evening activity. The following is a sample of sessions currently under consideration and development. Final course offerings will be available for student selection after enrollment. All sessions are subject to confirmation and a minimum enrollment number.

June 25, 2019

This afternoon, we'll gather at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport for our check-in and flight to Europe. Our group leader and faculty will meet us at the airport and will continue with us throughout our journey. The next morning, we'll arrive in England.

June 26, 2019

After arriving in London, we'll clear passport control, collect our luggage, and meet our private motor coach. Our first stop will be Hampton Court Palace, Henry VIII's sprawling Tudor complex on the Thames. After our visit and lunch, we'll arrive at our hotel in central London for an orientation and an evening walk along the Thames.

Sample Course Plan

June 27, 2019 Morning Sessions

Morning Sessions		Afternoon Core and Evening Activities
Humanities	Art Masters of the National Gallery	Camden Locks and London Markets Theater performance
Language	West End Theatre - A Behind the Scenes Tour	
Soc. Studies	20th C. War Time Britain at the Imperial War Museum	
Science	Faraday Museum and John Soane House	

June 28, 2019

Humanities	Joint Session - Photographing the Royal Pavilion	Combined sessions Group discussion
Language	Joint Session - Anglo-Saxons vs. French Invaders	
Soc. Studies	Joint Session - Hastings and Battle: The Normans	
Science	Joint Session - Biodiversity at the Hastings Reserve	

June 29, 2019

Humanities	Contemporary Works at Tate Modern	Christopher Wren's St. Paul's Cathedral Theater performance
Language	Shakespeare's Globe Theatre	
Soc. Studies	London's Guildhall: From the Romans to the Blitz	
Science	Extreme Engineering: Bridges, Tunnels and Barriers	

June 30, 2019

Humanities	Portraiture at the National Portrait Gallery	The Tombs of Westminster Abbey Theater performance
Language	Literary London Walk	
Soc. Studies	Private Equity and the Bank of England	
Science	Discoveries at the Science Museum	

July 1, 2019

Humanities	London Street Art in the Docklands and East End	The Treasures of the British Museum Group dinner
Language	Dickens Museum	
Soc. Studies	Beheading a King: The Banqueting House	
Science	Time and Earth at the Greenwich Royal Observatory	

July 2, 2019

This morning we will enjoy our last breakfast in England, before we pack up our belongings and check out of our hotel. We will travel to the Heathrow International Airport where we will check in for our flight home, with knowledge to last a lifetime!

Did you know?

To date, students from nine different high schools have participated in the program, including (in alphabetical order): Benet Academy, DePaul College Prep, Fenwick High School, Loyola Academy, New Canaan High School, New Trier High School, Riverside-Brookfield High School, St. Laurence High School, and St. Ignatius College Prep!

Summer Scholars Program - Alumni Faculty

Since 2017, we have had a number of dynamic faculty leaders. Below are the faculty who have previously participated.

Colleen Aufderheide - Humanities

Ms. Aufderheide is a studio artist and art educator with over 25 years of teaching experience. Currently, she is the Visual Arts Chair at Loyola Academy in Wilmette, Illinois where she has taught classes including AP Studio Art and AP Art History.

Diane Haleas - Social Studies

Ms. Haleas is an award-winning educator with over 20 years teaching experience at Saint Ignatius College Prep in Chicago. She has been the director of the renown Saint Ignatius Model United Nations (SIMUN) program for 18 years.

Sarah Johnson - Language

Ms. Johnson is an English teacher at Riverside- Brookfield High School, a position she has held since 2007. Prior to teaching at RBHS, Ms. Johnson taught English at Hinsdale Central High School from 1998-2007.

Maureen Lonergan - Science

Maureen Lonergan is an educator in the Science Department at Saint Ignatius College Prep in Chicago where she teaches Physics, Chemistry, and AP Biology and serves as the science department chairperson.

Lori Rogalski - Language

Ms. Rogalski is an English teacher at Benet Academy in Lisle, Illinois. She currently serves as the English Department chairperson. She teaches AP Literature, Advanced Composition, College Preparatory Literature, and Sophomore and Freshman English.

Matt Wash - Science

Matt Wash is a science teacher at Benet Academy in Lisle, Illinois. There he teaches Physics and is the coach the school's Science Olympiad team.

Charles Pipal - Program Director

Charles Pipal is a professor in the Historic Preservation and Interior Architecture Departments at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, where he has taught drawing, design and practice for eighteen years. Prof. Pipal's particular professional and academic focus has been on the documentation and rehabilitation of historic buildings and the interpretation of historic sites. In addition to his teaching and architectural practice, he is also co-owner of Blueprint Tours, a destination management company specifically focused on academic and curricular-based learning through travel.

Suzanne Zimmerman - Humanities

Ms. Zimmerman is a studio artist, potter, illustrator, and educator. Currently, she teaches at Riverside-Brookfield High School, with previous experience at Elmwood Park High School. She teaches ceramics and sculpture, drawing and painting, digital art, and AP Studio Art.

Our outstanding faculty team for 2019 is now being assembled. Stay tuned for details!

Summer camp in London? A completely unique program!

Unlike other travel experiences, the Summer Scholars Program allows students to select from a menu of faculty-led field trips and sessions each day, so participants can follow their own interests and essentially design their own London experience. Since this is an open enrollment program, students come from a variety of schools. Friends and siblings from different schools can participate. Finally, our veteran students who have participated before are most welcome to repeat, as each week-long session is customizable and subsequently unique.



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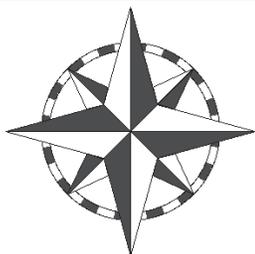
Enrollment Cost: \$3199.00 per participant

Inclusions

- + Round-trip air transportation from Chicago to Europe on regularly scheduled flights via United Airlines, or other IATA carrier
- + Twin, or in rare cases triple, accommodations at three or four star properties with breakfast daily
- + Fully escorted from Chicago by program faculty and a full-time program director
- + Airport transfer in the UK via private deluxe coach and private coach transfer to Brighton and Hastings
- + All curricular-related program fees
- + Transportation in central London via the "Tube", London bus system and light rail connections
- + All service charges, airport departure taxes and foreign taxes associated with air transport and all gratuities for group events.
- + Admission to all sites included in selected sessions
- + Tourist information packet including general info, baggage tags, detailed trip itinerary, hotel and flight information
- + Tickets to three theater performances in London
- + Farewell group dinner

About the Provider

Since its inception almost two decades ago, Blueprint Tours has been a leader in custom designed, curricular-based travel for teachers and their students. Our mission is to expand the classroom into the world. As young students, we benefited greatly from educational travel and our hope is to continue to offer similar experiences to the next generations. We are very excited to be hosting the Summer Scholars Program for our third consecutive year!



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Air Transportation and Price: Tour includes round trip air transportation via regularly scheduled IATA air carrier. The price from Chicago is guaranteed and includes all airport taxes. A “land only” only price will be available for those making their own air arrangements or those participating from other home airports..

Payment Schedule: Initial deposit of \$300.00; second payment of \$1200.00 is due 01 March 2019; balance due by 15 April 2019.

Cancellations and Refunds: Deposits and payments are completely refundable through 01 January 2019, provided that notification is received in writing by that date. After 01 January 2018, provided that all due payments have been made to date, refunds will be issued based on the following schedule:

01/02/19 to 02/28/19 inclusive: \$150.00 refund	04/15/19 to 05/01/19 inclusive: \$700.00 refund
03/01/19 to 04/14/19 inclusive: \$900.00 refund	05/02/19 to 05/15/19 inclusive: \$500.00 refund

After 15 May 2019, no refunds will be issued. **Cancellation insurance is strongly recommended.** Information on insurance will be provided to applicant after receipt of deposit. **Cancellations in writing are to be sent to Blueprint Tours, Inc.**

Not Included in the Tour Price: Personal items such as government documents, food orders and beverages, valet and laundry services, personal grooming services, optional excursions, phone calls, personal tipping, and any other items not mentioned as included. In the event that a participant may require medical attention, any medical costs are the responsibility of the participant. We recommend that you verify the status of your medical insurance to determine coverage for travel. Lost ticket and lost passport fees are the sole responsibility of the participant.

General: Blueprint Tours, Inc., hereinafter referred to as Operator, acts only as an agent for the various independent suppliers that provide hotel accommodations, transportation, sightseeing, activities, or other services connected with this tour. Such services are subject to the terms and conditions of those suppliers. The Operator and their respective employees, representatives, and assigns accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss, accident delay, or any other incident which may be caused by the negligence, defect, default or expenses of any kind due to sickness, weather, strikes, hostilities, wars, terrorist acts, acts of nature, local laws or other such causes. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws and regulations of the country in which they are provided. Operator is not responsible for any baggage or personal effects of any individual participating in the tour. Individual travelers are responsible for purchasing a travel insurance policy, if desired, that will cover some of the expenses associated with the loss of luggage or personal effects.

Baggage: One suitcase (backpack, duffel) per person will be permitted. Standard airline weight limits apply. In addition, participant is allowed one “carry-on” piece of luggage small enough to fit under an airline seat. If you have questions regarding baggage and carry-on luggage, you are encouraged to visit the airline’s website to verify their requirements. Operator assumes no responsibility for lost or stolen luggage, personal belongings or excess baggage charges.

Insurance: Optional trip insurance is available through our office. Additional information will be sent upon receipt of application and deposit.

Disciplinary Policy: On all trips with persons under 18 years of age, the legal guardians will be asked to sign an agreement and pay the costs associated with any disciplinary measures.

Documents Required: Each person must have a valid passport and visa if required. All travel documents and costs affiliated with obtaining them are the sole responsibility of the participant.

Responsibility: The Operator assumes no liability for failure to provide the services and accommodations referred to in this brochure to the extent that such services and accommodations cannot be supplied due to delays or other causes beyond the control of the Operator. In absence of negligence on the part of the Operator, the participant agrees that Operator has no liability or responsibility of any persons due to any act, omission or negligence of any carrier, hotel, restaurant, coach company, sight seeing or guiding company, or any other persons rendering any of the services or portions of the itinerary. The participant further waives any claim against Operator, sponsor, and its group leaders for any such damage, loss, injury or death. Operator shall not be responsible for any delays, substitution of equipment, or any act or omission whatsoever by the suppliers of such services, their agents, servants, and employees, and the participant hereby waives any claim arising therefrom. Operator reserves the right to decline, accept, or retain any participant at any time for any reason. Operator reserves the right to cancel this tour prior to departure, in which case full or partial payment will be refunded without further obligation on Operator’s part. If terrorist act, terror threat, war, pandemic, act of God or other event would cause the Operator or sponsor to cancel or delay the tour, Operator shall not be responsible for refund. The passenger contract in use by the airline shall constitute the sole contract between the airline companies and the participant. Blueprint Tours, Inc. does not assume any costs, fees or liability associated with the extension of this tour caused by occurrences such as but not limited to extreme weather, natural disasters, terrorist action or threat, pandemic, or act of God. If a tour participant is required to remain in a country beyond the last day of the tour, all meals, lodging, transportation and other costs shall be the responsibility of the tour participant and /or their legal guardian. By forwarding the deposit and submitting the application, the participant agrees with these terms and conditions and certifies that they are free from any mental, physical, or other condition or disability that would create a hazardous condition for participant or other participants. All tickets issued by any contractors are subject to any and all terms and conditions under which such means of transportation or other services are offered or provided and the issuance and acceptance of such tickets shall be deemed to be consent to the further conditions that the operators shall not be or become liable or responsible in any way in connection with such means of transportation or other services, or for any loss, injury, damage to or in respect of any person or property howsoever caused or arising. Operator reserves the right to change the itinerary due to weather conditions, acts of God, political conditions, terrorist act or threat, unscheduled or unanticipated closings, mechanical difficulties or other factors beyond the control of the Operator without consulting the participants. In addition, Operator also reserve the right to make such alterations in the itinerary determined to be desirable by the Operator to provide for convenience of parties and smooth operation of tour. Participant has no right to refund or other considerations in the event of changes to the itinerary.