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UCL Bloomsbury 2027 Summer Programme

Welcome to London! Our revamped 2027 programme has been designed to ensure that you have the most enjoyable, memorable experience possible. You'll spend time exploring, learning and creating with students from all over the world, and our team of tour guides and activity leaders are there to make your summer unforgettable!

	Breakfast 8:00–9:00	**Morning** 9:00–13:00	**Lunch** 13:00–14:00	**Afternoon** 14:00–18:00	**Dinner** 18:00–19:00	**Evening**
THU 1	Arrival				Packed	Room allocation
FRI 2	8:00–9:00	Placement Test & Class	13:00–14:00	Student Programme Induction, Campus Tour and Granary Square	18:00–19:00	Welcome Party
SAT 3	8:00–9:00	Sightseeing Tour 1: Westminster Including Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and more **(packed lunch)**			18:00–19:00	Free Time
SUN 4	8:00–9:00	Sightseeing Tour 2: Tower Hill and Southwark Including Borough Market, Tate Modern and more **(packed lunch)**			18:00–19:00	Free Time
MON 5	8:00–9:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	13:00–14:00	Bloomsbury Blue Plaque Photo Challenge	18:00–19:00	Karaoke Night
TUE 6	8:00–9:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	13:00–14:00	Covent Garden	London Eye **(ticket included)** & Southbank Evening Walk **(packed dinner)**	
WED 7	8:00–9:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	13:00–14:00	Natural History Museum	18:00–19:00	Harrods and Hyde Park by Night
THU 8	8:00–9:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	13:00–14:00	Camden Town	18:00–19:00	London Disco Night **(ticket included)**
FRI 9	8:00–9:00	Madame Tussauds **(ticket Included)**	13:00–14:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	Pizza Party and Murder Mystery	
SAT 10	8:00–9:00	Full Day Excursion: Brighton by train with Brighton Pier **(ticket included)**, Brighton beach and more **(packed lunch)**			18:00–19:00	Free Time
SUN 11	8:00–9:00	Sightseeing Tour 3 - Greenwich Including Thames River Cruise **(ticket included)**, Greenwich Markets & Park and more **(packed lunch)**			18:00–19:00	Free Time
MON 12	8:00–9:00	Portobello Road & Notting Hill	13:00–14:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	18:00–19:00	Piccadilly, Leicester Square, China Town
TUE 13	8:00–9:00	British Museum	13:00–14:00	Class (from CEFR A1 to C1)	18:00–19:00	Pyjama Movie Night
WED 14	8:00–9:00	Oxford Street Shopping & Oxford Circus	13:00–14:00	Class & Graduation Ceremony	18:00–19:00	White Prom Night
THU 15	Departure					

*This timetable is correct as of October 2026 and is a SAMPLE timetable. Language in Action reserve the right to amend this and, if so, an updated timetable will be dated and published that will supersede this version. Final and confirmed timetables will be published by May 2027.

Half day tours

Camden Town

See the bohemian side of London in this fashionable central London district. Famous for its eclectic markets, diverse music scene and vibrant street art, Camden is a great place to explore. With its range of hand-made and vintage stalls and shops, there really is treasure to be found! You'll get guided around the area and given some time to explore the curiosities on offer.

The British Museum

Spend your time exploring one of the most famous museums in the world. Egyptian mummies, artwork by Rembrandt and Michelangelo, and the Rosetta Stone are just some of the incredible pieces you'll see as you wander this 265-year-old museum.

Covent Garden

Discover one of London's most vibrant districts, where history, culture, and entertainment come alive. From street performers and boutique shops to the historic market halls and world-class dining, Covent Garden offers something for everyone.

Natural History Museum

Get up close to dinosaur skeletons, rare gems and interactive exhibits whilst our tour guides point out interesting exhibits in this enormous museum. Visit the main atrium for a look at a full-size blue whale skeleton, take a photo with a triceratops, or learn about the formation of the solar system.

Portobello Road & Notting Hill

A popular location for movies, this beautiful area of London is home to the famous Portobello Markets. A lively atmosphere of street performers and market stalls sat amongst beautiful buildings makes this a great trip out. You'll get a guided walk through the area before having a little free time to explore the stalls and shops at your own pace.

Bloomsbury Blue Plaque Photo Challenge

Get ready to explore the streets of Bloomsbury with our Blue Plaque Photo Challenge! Work together in teams as you hunt down the famous blue plaques hidden around the neighbourhood, discovering the writers, artists, scientists and historical figures who once called this part of London home. Find as many as you can, snap a team photo at each one and race to complete the challenge before time runs out!

NEW FOR 2027

Oxford Street Shopping and Oxford Circus

What trip to London would be complete without spending some time shopping on the world-famous Oxford Street? You'll get the opportunity to visit iconic shops, watch street entertainers and soak up the atmosphere of one of London's most visited streets. A great time to pick up some souvenirs for friends and family back home.

Madame Tussauds

Trick your friends into believing you've met Zendaya, Timothée Chalamet or even King Charles! Get close in for a selfie with incredibly lifelike waxwork models of celebrities from past and present. Our ticket gets you straight to the front of the queue, so you get more time with your favourite celebs.

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Madame Tussauds



Full day tours

Sightseeing Tour 1: Westminster

Our tour begins in leafy Green Park before arriving at the gates of Buckingham Palace, the King's official residence, where you'll get time for some great photos. You'll stroll through the picturesque St. James's Park on the way to Westminster to see Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, and Westminster Abbey. From there you'll pass Downing Street, the home of the Prime Minister, and the Cenotaph before reaching the bustling Trafalgar Square. In the afternoon you'll get to explore the world-renowned National Gallery, home to masterpieces by Van Gogh, Da Vinci, and Turner. The tour finishes with The Royal Cavalry Horse Guard Inspection, where you'll get to see some of the King's guards and their horses come out for a march and inspection in their finest uniforms.

Full Day Excursion: Brighton

Hop on the train to England's sunny south coast and discover the charm of Brighton. Wander through the maze of boutique shops and cafés in The Lanes, then head to the lively seafront. Your visit includes entry to the 125-year-old Brighton Pier, where you can stroll out over the waves, take in sweeping sea views, indulge in classic treats like candy floss, or even brave the rollercoaster for a thrill!

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Brighton Pier

Full Day Excursion: Oxford with Official Guided Tour

Spend a full day exploring the beautiful sights of Oxford on this full day walking tour of one of the world's oldest universities and surrounding city. You'll be guided by an Oxford graduate, who will show you everything from the world-famous architectural jewels of the Bodleian Library, Radcliffe Camera and the Bridge of Sighs to the often-missed wonders hidden down small alleyways. Their first-hand knowledge of the University is unparalleled.

This excursion includes a ticketed guided tour and, where possible, entry into a college building

PREMIUM UPGRADES

Full Day Excursion: Cambridge with Punting

On this full day trip, you'll get to explore stunning architecture, beautiful gardens and even Sir Isaac Newton's famous Apple Tree, all as you make your way to the launch point for your private punting boat. Here, you'll take a relaxing punt down the River Cam, offering you a one-of-a-kind view of the city and the famous Cambridge University.

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Cambridge Punting

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Sightseeing Tour 2: Tower Hill and Southwark

On your second tour you'll start with views of the mighty Tower of London, where centuries of royal history and the Crown Jewels are housed. Walk alongside the castle walls and learn about the history of the Tower. You'll then cross the iconic Tower Bridge before wandering the bustling food stalls of Borough Market. You'll also get to see Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, a faithful reconstruction of the playwright's famous playhouse. We then take you across Millennium Bridge and finish at the magnificent St Paul's Cathedral, one of London's most awe-inspiring landmarks. This walk blends history, culture, and unforgettable views along the river.



Full Day Excursion: Thorpe Park Theme Park

Spend the day testing your thrill-seeking limits at one of the largest theme parks in the UK. You'll get private coach transport to and from the park, and get an entire day of rollercoasters, rides and entertainment. The park has both extreme and more relaxed rides so there really is something for everyone. An exciting, fun day out of London.

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Thorpe Park

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Full Day Excursion: Harry Potter Studio Tour

This Warner Brothers studio tour takes you behind the scenes of the global phenomenon that is the Harry Potter movies. You'll walk through the main doors of Hogwarts and into the Great Hall, discover hidden secrets in the Room of Requirement and face your fears in the Forbidden Forest. Real sets, props and costumes along with interactive exhibits make this a truly memorable day for any Harry Potter fan.

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Warner Bros. Studio Tours

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Sightseeing Tour 3: Greenwich

On this fantastic full day excursion, you'll make your way to Greenwich along the water on a guided Thames River Cruise! Once docked, you'll get to browse the vibrant markets and wander through the leafy Greenwich Park, home to the world-famous Royal Observatory and the historic Meridian Line. After lunch, explore the National Maritime Museum and finish with a photo stop at the elegant 19th-century Cutty Sark, one of the fastest sailing ships of its time.

This tour includes ticketed entry to the Thames River Cruise



Evening Activities

London By Night: The London Eye & Southbank Evening Walk

Take in breathtaking views of the city from one of London's most iconic landmarks, the London Eye, as you travel 135 metres above the city. As the sun sets, stroll along the vibrant Southbank, where twinkling lights, street performers, and cultural venues create an unforgettable atmosphere. From stunning skyline panoramas to lively riverside energy, this evening walk is the perfect way to experience London at its most magical.

This excursion includes ticketed entry to the London Eye

London by Night: Piccadilly, Leicester Square & Chinatown

Experience the buzz of London's West End as you wander through its most iconic squares and streets. See the bright lights of Piccadilly Circus, soak up the energy of Leicester Square with its cinemas and street performers, then step into Chinatown to enjoy authentic restaurants, bakeries, and colourful lanterns. This lively trio of destinations is the perfect blend of culture, entertainment, and flavour at the heart of the city.

London by Night: London Disco Night

We take over an entire nightclub just for you! Meet students from all over the world and dance the night away on the light-up dancefloor at our Disco night in central London. Soft drinks are available at the bar, there is a photobooth to capture those crazy moments, and the DJ takes requests to really make your night memorable!

This excursion includes ticketed entry to Disco

London by Night: Harrods and Hyde Park

Experience a magical evening in the heart of London, starting with a visit to the world-famous Harrods in Knightsbridge. Explore its spectacular interiors and browse its iconic departments before heading to nearby Hyde Park for an evening stroll. Take in the atmosphere of London after dark, see the city lights and enjoy one of the capital's most famous green spaces from a whole new perspective!

NEW FOR 2027

Campus Activities

Our programme of evening activities ensures you'll never be bored on campus! Our campus team host a wide range of events, games and parties ranging from quiz nights to karaoke. Want a chilled night watching a movie with a pizza? No problem! Perhaps you prefer to put your hands to work painting or turning trash into the latest fashion! Whatever you enjoy, we've got you covered. Depending on the location, your evening activities could include any of the following: Trash Fashion Show, Quiz Night, Movie Night, Karaoke, Arts & Crafts, Scavenger Hunt, Murder Mystery, Sports, Outdoor games.

No matter your location, you'll always get a Welcome night where you'll get to meet your fellow students, and a Last Night White Prom Party to end your summer on a high!

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