



Important Dates and Deadlines | London Fall 2024

Item	Description	Deadline	✓
Scholarship Deadlines	<p>Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship (up to \$5,000) https://www.gilmanscholarship.org/</p> <p>AIFS Ambassador Scholarship (three \$500-\$1,000 scholarships) https://www.smccd.edu/studyabroad/howtopay/scholarshipapplication.php</p>	<p>Thursday, March 7, 2024</p> <p>Wednesday, June 5, 2024</p>	
Priority Application Deadline	<p>Apply online: Custom Application (aifsabroad.com)</p> <p>'Priority' means you will have priority to choose your SMCCCD classes before they are opened to students from the other NCSAC study abroad colleges. If you apply before the priority deadline, you <i>are</i> likely to get into <i>all</i> your preferred classes before they fill. You must submit your "Course Preference Form" to reserve your spot in your preferred classes.</p>	Friday, April 19, 2024	
Application and deposit deadline	Final date to apply online and pay \$450 deposit to be considered for London Fall 2024.	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	
#1 Withdrawal Deadline:	Withdraw on or before Wednesday, June 12, 2024, to receive a refund of the deposit and any other fees paid, less a \$150 processing fee.	Wednesday, June 12, 2024	
#2 Withdrawal Deadline:	Withdraw after Wednesday, June 12, 2024, but on or before Friday, July 12, 2024, to receive a refund of fees paid, less the \$450 deposit and any non-refundable deposits paid by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf.	Friday, July 12, 2024	
#3 Withdrawal Deadline:	<p>If you withdraw after Friday, July 12, 2024, there is no refund, and the total program fee is due.</p> <p>If you withdraw once the program has begun, there is no refund.</p> <p>*Please note that any student who is academically withdrawn (i.e., is put on academic probation or no longer meets the minimum 2.25 GPA requirement) after their application has been processed by AIFS is subject to the standard refund policy outlined above.</p>	After Friday, July 12, 2024	
Balance of Fees Due to AIFS*	<p>Pay online in your AIFS Portal: Custom Application (aifsabroad.com)</p> <p>*If you receive financial aid through your college, you may be eligible to defer the payment of a portion of your fees until you receive your financial aid. See "Financial Aid Checklist" for more info.</p>	No later than Friday, July 12, 2024	



<p>Complete your “Task List” in your AIFS Portal</p>	<p>Review your Task List in your AIFS Portal Custom Application (aifsabroad.com)</p> <p>In your AIFS portal, you will have a “Task List,” and as you complete each step, that item will be crossed off.</p> <p>Required items include, but are not limited to, passport copy, agreement and release form, digital photo, flight details (if not on an AIFS flight).</p> <p>AIFS program staff will also use the portal to post important program information such as insurance details, flight itineraries, predeparture handbooks, program brochures, etc.</p>	<p>Friday, July 12, 2024</p>	
<p>Register for courses online with each college</p>	<p>You will be emailed specific instructions by <u>each</u> college you indicate on your Course Preference Form.</p> <p>This usually starts in June to July (each college in the program may have a slightly different timeline), and it is a multi-step process.</p> <p>You will add your class(es) and pay tuition separately at <u>each</u> college you sign up for.</p> <p>Please note: You will <u>not</u> lose your spot in the course if you have class registration difficulties; we will work with you to assist you.</p>	<p>June-July, 2024</p>	
<p>AIFS Travel Package</p>	<p>Round-trip flights between San Francisco (SFO) and London (LHR) in economy/standard class.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round-trip transfers in London between the airport and the student housing. • AIFS staff meet-and-greet at the airport to assist on arrival and escort students to their housing. <p>Students wishing to purchase the Transportation Package must notify AIFS in writing or by selecting this option on the online enrollment form by Tuesday, May 28, 2024.</p> <p>Students wishing to <u>cancel</u> the flight must notify AIFS in writing by Friday, July 12, 2024. Cancellation penalties will apply. Tickets are non-refundable after this date.</p> <p>Students wishing to <u>add</u> the flight after they complete the application/enrollment form must notify AIFS in writing by Tuesday, May 28, 2024. AIFS cannot arrange airline tickets for students after Tuesday, May 28, 2024.</p>	<p>Tuesday, May 28, 2024</p> <p>Friday, July 12, 2024</p>	
<p>AIFS Financial Aid Paperwork and Consortium Agreement due</p>	<p>If Financial Aid will pay for all or some of your program fees to AIFS, you must work with Ariackna Soler, Director of Financial Aid, solerariackna@smccd.edu at Skyline College to complete the AIFS Financial Aid packet.</p> <p>Meet with Ms. Soler ASAP but no later than Monday, July 1, 2024 to fill out your paperwork and submit to AIFS (see “Financial Aid</p>	<p>Contact Ariackna Soler ASAP but no later than Monday, July 1, 2024</p>	



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	Checklist” for more information). The AIFS financial aid packet must be submitted to AIFS no later than Monday, July 8, 2024 in order to defer the payment of a portion of your fees until you receive your financial aid.	Submit AIFS Financial Aid Packet to AIFS no later than Monday, July 8, 2024	
#1 Pre-departure session	Meet + Greet. Get to know your fellow classmates and professor from SMCCCD who will be traveling abroad!	Monday, June 10, 2024	
#2 Pre-departure session	Mandatory Pre-Departure Orientation. Skyline College. NCSAC Consortium-wide. AIFS-led orientation where you can also pick up your final class schedules and purchase any books.	Saturday, August 17, 2024	
#3 Pre-departure session	A mandatory online meeting via Zoom that covers Student Code of Conduct, Culture Shock, and Intercultural Learning Strategies	Friday, August 23, 2024	
Depart U.S.	AIFS Transport Package flight dates and recommended dates for personal flights. Arrive in London the next day, Friday, September 6, 2024	Thursday, September 5, 2024	
Depart London	AIFS Transport Package flight dates and recommended dates for personal flights	Friday, December 6, 2024	

I have read and understand the dates and deadlines written above as they pertain to the London Fall 2024 Study Abroad Program. I acknowledge that these dates can be subject to change. I also understand that because I am 18+ years old, I will be the main decision maker, point of contact, and person responsible for all relevant study abroad communication.

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Print Name _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Study Abroad Advisor Signature _____

Date _____