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This guide outlines what to expect during Welcome week, including timings of key academic sessions and how to find out about different services available to you.

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# Welcome to SOAS

Welcome Week is a great opportunity to meet academic staff and other new students.

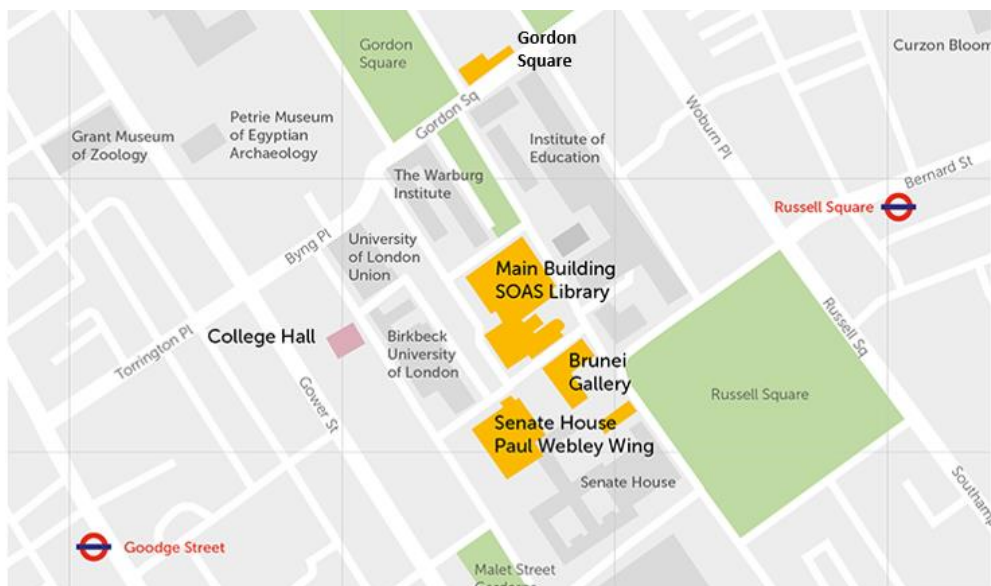


You've just joined a thriving student community of nearly 6,000 students from over 135 countries here in the heart of London. At SOAS, we use our expertise in Africa, Asia and the Middle East as a lens through which to interrogate the planetary questions of our time. We challenge perspectives, broach debate, and empower our students to question the global status quo and find solutions to the issues facing the world today.

It is often said that wherever you go in the world, you will come across a **SOASian** – there are over 75,000 SOAS alumni making a difference globally. For now, you can meet the world at SOAS, connecting with amazing students and teachers right here in one of the greatest cities on Earth. Enjoy every moment!

## Navigating the Campus

In the timetables below you'll see some acronyms and abbreviations of locations. These usually have a first letter indicating the building, then a number indicating which floor (this can also be 'G' for ground floor or 'L' for lower ground). If you need help finding your way around, remember to ask for assistance from staff or our Student Ambassadors who you'll spot around campus in purple bibs.



| Prefix   | Building                         | Sample Room Number   |
|----------|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>C</b> | College building (main building) | C313 = College building, third floor, room 313                 |
| <b>R</b> | College building, Research block | R301 = College building, Research block, third floor, room 301 |
| <b>P</b> | Philips building (main building) | P202= Main Building Philips, second floor, room 202            |
| <b>S</b> | Senate House (Paul Webley Wing)  | S311 = Senate House, third floor, room 311                     |
| <b>B</b> | Brunei Gallery                   | B101 = Brunei Gallery, first floor, room 101                   |
| <b>G</b> | Gordon Square                    | G303 = Gordon Square, third floor, room 303                    |

## Key Sessions

It's important that you attend **academic sessions with your department(s)**. In the **timetables** below you'll see when **each department's inductions, breakout sessions and receptions** are, so mark them in your calendar! These sessions will provide you with all the information you need to begin your studies at SOAS, while the reception is a chance to network with fellow students and staff members.

You should also attend the **Student Life Induction** and **Digital Campus Tour (You are here...so what's next?)**. These sessions will save you a lot of time in future by helping you to know where to find support as soon as you need it.

The **Student Life Induction** provides information on the different support services at SOAS, from Student Advice and Wellbeing to the Library. You can also collect your **SOAS merchandise** at the end of this session!

The **Digital Campus Tour (You are here...so what's next?)** provides information on the different online platforms you will use during your studies, from [MySOAS](#) and [Moodle](#) to the [Student Information Desk \(SID\)](#).

## Non-academic Sessions

There are two timetables below for each day, one for Academic Inductions, and one for Non-academic activities. These are organised by different services and departments to help you settle into SOAS, and there are a wide variety of activities on offer such as Study Skills, Career Services, and Race and Belonging workshops.

There will also be stalls in the Paul Webley Wing throughout Welcome Week where you can meet staff from different services and find out about support and opportunities available, including language optional modules. On Friday there will also be the Students' Union's Freshers Fayre, where you can meet representatives from different clubs and societies. Find out more about the SU's events [on their website](#).

## Language Placement Tests

School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics

Please email the convenor with any queries regarding the language Placement Tests for the following subjects

- Arabic -Mohamed Said, [ms15@soas.ac.uk](mailto:ms15@soas.ac.uk)
- Bengali – Sahana Bajpaie – [sb165@soas.ac.uk](mailto:sb165@soas.ac.uk)
- Hebrew – Tamara Novis – [tm34@soas.ac.uk](mailto:tm34@soas.ac.uk)
- Hindi and Urdu - Naresh Sharma- [ns19@soas.ac.uk](mailto:ns19@soas.ac.uk)
- Indonesian - Soe-Tjen Marching - [sm100@soas.ac.uk](mailto:sm100@soas.ac.uk)
- Persian – Narguess Farzad – [nf1@soas.ac.uk](mailto:nf1@soas.ac.uk)
- Sanskrit – Lidia Wojtczak – [lw24@soas.ac.uk](mailto:lw24@soas.ac.uk)
- Swahili - Ida Hadjivananis- [ih11@soas.ac.uk](mailto:ih11@soas.ac.uk)
- Turkish - Yorgos Dedes [gd5@soas.ac.uk](mailto:gd5@soas.ac.uk)
- Japanese- Seiko Harumi [sh96@soas.ac.uk](mailto:sh96@soas.ac.uk) which will be virtual placement test

If you are interested in doing a Persian language as an open option, please visit Room P432 in the Philips Building.



## MySOAS App & Essentials Guide

If you have not had a chance yet, please download the SOAS App from the [App Store for iOS](#) or the [Google Play store for Android](#). You will be able to access your timetable, Moodle, your email, an overview of support services, and more.

Additionally, if you need any information on SOAS before, during or after Welcome Week, please refer to the [SOAS Essentials Guide on Moodle](#).

## Connecting to WiFi

SOAS maintains an eduroam enabled wireless network available for use by its students.

Students of SOAS may configure their laptops and mobile devices by going to the [eduroamCAT website](#) or by scanning the QR code below and following the instructions.



Note that your username must end with '@soas.ac.uk'. This means that if your username is '123456' your eduroam username must be specified as '123456@soas.ac.uk'. If you do not do this, you will be unable to connect.

If you have problems connecting or need further assistance using eduroam, please visit the 'IT Service Desk' located on the ground floor of the Library.

## Mandatory Consent Training

All new students will need to attend a mandatory Consent and Active Bystander training session run by the Students' Union, which take place every hour Monday to Friday 10am-5pm in Welcome Week and Week One of Teaching, [see the timetable and rooms here](#). It is important that you attend your session, which will give you the knowledge to create a consent culture, the skills to challenge harmful behaviours and information about reporting and support options. These sessions are designed to look at sexual and gender-based violence from a survivor perspective. If you are unable to attend your session, please contact [su-consent@soas.ac.uk](mailto:su-consent@soas.ac.uk) for an alternative session.

## Trans and Non-Binary Student Inclusion Training

We create the community we want to be a part of which is why all students must complete an online module to be the best allies they can be to their trans and non-binary peers. During the training you'll learn more about the global context of transgender and non-binary identities and build your confidence around inclusive language. You'll also learn what support is available at SOAS and the wider community for transgender, non-binary and gender questioning students. You will receive a link to complete this training at the start of term. This must be completed by the end of October.

## Finding Key Teams on Campus

During your first week, you will need to collect your SOAS ID card, and you may need to speak to different teams about your enrolment, to pay your fees, or to finalise other important enrolment processes.

During Welcome Week, key teams are based in Senate House (Paul Webley Wing):

### Ground Floor

- ID card collection
- Fees & Scholarships
- Enrolment & Visa

### Lower Ground Floor

- Admissions
- IT queries
- Student Hub

All these teams will be clearly signposted, and don't forget you can always ask one of our Student Ambassadors (wearing purple bibs) on the day.

Please note that many of these teams are normally based elsewhere, and if you need to contact them later you may need to go to a different location or contact them via the [Student Information Desk](#).

## Campus Tour

You may also want to do a campus tour during Welcome Week. Our friendly Student Ambassadors will be waiting on the walkway between our buildings with a Campus Tour sign and will take groups around key locations on campus.

## Quiet Space

During Welcome Week, the campus can sometimes get quite loud and busy. If you're looking for a quieter spot to relax during the day, feel free to visit one of our designated quiet rooms. We kindly ask that everyone using these spaces refrains from holding conversations, playing music, or doing anything that might disturb the peaceful atmosphere. Alternatively, if you'd like some fresh air, Russell Square is nearby and offers a lovely green space to recharge.

## Non-academic Activities: Session Descriptions

### Becoming Your Own Best Friend

This 60-minute workshop is designed for SOAS University students to explore the concept of spiritual self-care and inner strength. The session aims to help participants cultivate a deeper connection with themselves and their spiritual essence, leading to a more balanced, fulfilling life. Through interactive activities, reflection, and discussion, students will learn how to become their own best friend, grounding themselves in spiritual practices that promote mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being.

### Creativity & Wellbeing Workshop: Journalling

In this exciting workshop you will explore different types of journalling such as bullet, gratitude, art and nature journalling. We will introduce you to different techniques using a wide variety of artistic mediums including ink, pencil, collage, washi tape, and watercolour paint to explore the significant benefits of journalling on your wellbeing.

### Digital Campus Tour (You Are Here... So, What's Next?)

Now that you have arrived at SOAS, we know you are being told so many things, come join us where we will introduce you to all the systems you will use at SOAS, and to understand what expectations there are whilst you study with us.

### Eat and Encounter

'Eat and Encounter' initiative seeks to foster a sense of belonging among international students attending various London-based universities and colleges. Students from different parts of the world come to cook and share a meal together, helping them to overcome geographical and cultural boundaries and create bonds of friendship. This initiative has enabled many students to overcome their sense of isolation, while also deepening their appreciation of difference.

### eVisa Rollout

If you have been issued a BRP that expires on 31 December 2024, but your visa decision letter or email confirms that your immigration permission extends beyond this date, this is not an error. During 2024, the Government is replacing physical immigration documents such as BRP cards with digital proof of immigration status called an eVisa. This session will explain the simple process of switching to an eVisa. Short presentation followed by Q&A.

### Finding Relevant Part-time Work

Gain an understanding of where to look for part-time work, explore job hunting strategies & get tips & resources to support your job search. You must sign up for the session on the [CareersZONE](#) webpage

### Internships & Volunteering

Find out about internship opportunities & explore the ways volunteering can increase your employability. You must sign up for the session on the [CareersZONE](#) webpage.



### How SOAS Careers Can Support You & Making Most of Your Time at University For Employability

How SOAS Careers can support you with your career planning, including using the opportunities university life offers to benefit your future career. You must sign up for the session on the [CareersZONE](#) webpage.

### How to Avoid Stress While at University

This workshop will be an opportunity to discuss worries students often have that can cause them stress. We will look at some of the most common factors of stress such as being away from home, deadlines, exam anxiety, perfectionism. When under stress we can easily become triggered. Triggers are different for each of us and some of them can be disabling.

To manage our stress, it is useful to become aware of our triggers. Students will be encouraged to bring up any issue they may encounter, especially in relation to being away from home.

### Have You Tried Meditation?

Meditations can consist of mantras which are words or sound which helps align the body, mind and soul. Or other types such as listening to your breath whilst playing some calming music. We will delve deeper into this ancient practice of meditation and contemplation to tackle stress, anxiety and confusion.

### International Student Induction

Essential information for international students new to the UK. We will have talks from the Student Advice Team regarding visas and living in London, In-Sessional English tutors to find out more about study support, the Careers team for work opportunities, the Mental Health and Wellbeing team for navigating culture shock and transition, the Student Union to learn more about societies and social events and a panel of international alumni students who will give you an insight into their experiences as international students at SOAS. Come along for an interactive and informative session that you won't want to miss!

### International students: Working During Your Studies

Session for international students covering the visa conditions for working and volunteering. Find out more about pay and taxation in the UK. Q&A following presentation.

### IQ EQ SQ: The three quotients in life.

The three quotients in life. We've all heard of IQ, some have heard of EQ, but many have rarely thought about SQ. That is, Intelligence, Emotion, and Spiritual. We'll dive into the three quotients and investigate how we synthesise them into a holistic lifestyle and mindset.

### Library Induction Tour

The library is at the heart of SOAS campus and has the books and other resources you will need to succeed at SOAS. Come and meet our friendly staff. It is a great place to study or just have some quiet time, so come and check it out now guided by our expert librarians.

### Managing Your Money

The session will help you think about budgeting, maximising your income, and minimising your outgoings.

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### Master's and Mocktails

Calling all Master's Students: Enjoy an evening with fellow Masters students. Sip on delicious mocktails and connect with peers.

### Meet the Disability and Neurodiversity team (DNT)

DNT will be running several sessions for students with Disabilities to come and meet the Disability and Neurodiversity team, learn about what they do and how they support students who are neurodiverse or who have a disability.

### Meet the Muslim Chaplain

An informal talk and networking event. This is a chance for all Muslim students, but especially those from outside London or the UK, to meet the SOAS Muslim Chaplain. You will learn about the facilities on campus for Muslims as well as what is available in the surrounding areas. He will answer any questions you have and let you know what support is available from the multi-faith chaplaincy.

### Men's Mental Health

This group offers a safe and confidential space to allow males to connect on common themes that impact us all. The group will reflect on important issues regarding male wellbeing, self-care and developing a positive and healthy relationship with ourselves.

### My London

Discover the city of London, find out how to get around London, what free and fun activities are available and more about our regular socials.

### Navigating the Library

- Guided tour of the library and introduction to key research resources.
- Demonstration of online databases, journal access, and citation tools.

### Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) Meet up

This meet-up is an opportunity for first-year undergraduate students to meet other first-year students and to find out more about PAL. You can sign up to PAL to have informal study sessions with a small group of students from your department in a welcoming environment.

### Peer Mentor Meet-up

Join this meet-up to find out how to sign up to Peer Mentoring to be matched with a Peer Mentor who will be there to guide and support you as you settle into the SOAS community. This is also a great opportunity to meet and chat with other students.

### PGRs and Prosecco

Join the SU, Doctoral School and RSA for a welcome event featuring PGR students and prosecco. A perfect mix of networking and celebration.

### Race and Belonging: on Whiteness

Participants will reflect on and begin to deconstruct their socialised and internalised beliefs about whiteness.

### Race and Belonging: on Power in the Classroom

A participatory workshop to reflect on learnings from Teaching to Transgress, and how we can disrupt power dynamics in the classroom. Participants will reflect on and explore tools to disrupt power dynamics within the classroom as students and bystanders

### Scavenger Hunt in London

- Interactive and fun scavenger hunt around key locations in London.
- Groups of students work together to solve clues and complete tasks.
- Opportunity to explore the city and bond with fellow students.

### Self-Care Workshop

This workshop explores techniques to integrate simple self-care practices into your daily life. This will include learning a variety of interactive activities including Ayurvedic message techniques that can help to reduce physical and mental stress.

### SSAI Sanglaap Art and Culture Series: The Dark Side of Moon

A Documentary based Workshop on Media and Mental Health

### Student Life Induction and Merchandise Collection

Find out about the key services and support available to you as a SOAS student! Free merchandise can be collected by attendees at the end of each session.

### Student Representative Network

Drop-in session for you to learn and ask questions about the Student Rep Network, and an opportunity to get you involved.

### Study Skills: Preparing For Your First Lecture

Familiarise yourself with some notetaking techniques and useful tools and with time management techniques.

### Talking Circles

Talking Circles aim to help students develop dialogue and active listening skills. This space fosters communion and interconnectedness through storytelling. When everyone has a turn to speak and all voices are heard respectfully, the exercise becomes a rich source of information, identity, and interaction.

### Therapy Dogs Nationwide

Spending time with animals has been shown to be good for mental health. Come meet our friendly pet therapy dog and get plenty of cuddles! It is also an opportunity for you to meet other new students.

### Thriving at University - Bridging the Gap Student Leaders

This will be an opportunity to meet and learn more about the programme. Bridging the Gap is a student-led initiative focused on addressing the awarding gap and enhancing the student experience for Black students so they can thrive in their studies! We are offering £1000 grants to student leaders who are eager to organise events and support the specific needs of Black learners at SOAS.

### Touki - A Night of Koras, Guitars, Banjos and Drums

Expect a night of multi-instrumental music in which the performers joyously switch between kora, banjo, guitar, fiddle, cello and percussion...deploying powerful beats, driving grooves and silky voices that leap from East to West Africa and across to America.

### Welcome to SOAS: Unlock Your Potential

Kickstart your PhD journey with our vibrant and interactive opening session! Designed to help you get started on the right foot, this session will introduce you to the dynamic SOAS community, your fellow PhD students, and the essential resources that will support your academic and personal growth.

Through this engaging activity and discussions, you will explore what it means to be a part of SOAS, identify key strategies to unlock your potential, and start building connections that will last throughout your doctoral journey. This is your first step in a transformative experience—an opportunity to gain insights, set your intentions, and feel empowered as you embark on this exciting new chapter.

### What is Progressive (or Pluralist) Judaism?

Progressive Judaism has a long history in Europe but is often overlooked for its Orthodox co-religionists. Come and learn a little about how Progressive Judaism evolved, has continued to change, and can be a pluralist, welcoming space for Jews of all leanings.

## Welcome Week Timetable

### Monday, 23 September 2024: Academic Inductions, Breakout Sessions & Receptions

| Department   | Programme   | Time                        | Location                       |
|--|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| School of Languages,<br>Cultures and Linguistics         | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 11:00 to 11:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 11:00 to 12:55              | BG01                           |
|  | School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics: Academic Induction   | 13:00 to 13:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | BA Japanese & East Asian Studies (Single/Joint)   | 14:00 to 14:55              | B303                           |
|  | BA Korean (Single/Joint)  | 14:00 to 14:55              | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|  | MA Chinese Studies/MA Japanese Studies/MA Korean Studies/MA Taiwan Studies  | 14:00 to 14:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | MA Middle Eastern Studies (Incl. with Intensive Language); MA Iranian Studies and MA Islamic Studies, MA X and Intensive Arabic | 14:00 to 14:55              | B103                           |
|  | BA Africa and Black Diaspora  | 14:00 to 14:25              | B201                           |
|  | BA Arabic Single and joint degree   | 14:00 to 14:25              | CG3                            |
|  | BA Languages and Culture & BA Africa and the Black Diaspora (single and joint degrees)  | 14:00 to 14:25              | BG02                           |
|  | CCLPS (including Comp Literature, Cultural Studies, Postcolonial Studies)   | 14:00 to 14:25              | B104                           |
|  | MA African Studies  | 14:00 to 14:25              | B202                           |
|  | MA Linguistics and MA Translation Studies   | 14:00 to 14:25              | B205                           |
|  | MA South Asian Studies + South East Asian Studies   | 14:00 to 14:25              | B203                           |
|  | BA Chinese (Single/Joint)   | 14:30 to 15:25              | B104                           |
|  | BA Linguistics  | 14:30 to 14:55              | B102                           |
|  | MA XXX and Intensive Language (Chinese / Japanese / Korean)   | 15:00 to 15:55              | B103                           |
| School of Languages, Cultures and Linguistics: Reception | 16:00 to 17:00  | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre |                                |
| Foundation College                                       | Pre-Master's and ELAS Module Introductions  | 10:00 to 12:55              | B104                           |
|  | ICC UCAS Briefing 2   | 13:00 to 13:55              | B103                           |

## Monday, 23 September 2024: Non-academic Activities

Session descriptions can be found on [here](#).

| Programme  | Time   | Location                                |
|--|--|---|
| Consent and Active Bystander Training                      | 10:00 to 16:55   | <a href="#">See SU website</a>          |
| Eat and Encounter  | 09:30 to 09:55   | CG3                                     |
| Orientation session for all incoming Study Abroad students | 10:00 to 11:50   | B303                                    |
| Digital Campus Induction                                   | 10:00 to 10:25<br>10:30 to 10:55<br>11:00 to 11:25<br>11:30 to 11:55                   | Wolfson Lecture Theatre                 |
| Chinese Language Placement Test                            | 11:00 to 13:00   | S214                                    |
| Library Induction Tour                                     | 11:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>15:00 to 15:25 | By the steps of the<br>College Building |
| Have you tried meditation?                                 | 12:00 to 12:55   | S211                                    |
| Student life induction and merchandise collection          | 13:00 to 14:00<br>14:00 to 15:00<br>15:00 to 16:00<br>16:00 to 17:00                   | Alumni Lecture Theatre                  |
| eVisa Rollout  | 14:00 to 14:55   | <a href="#">Online</a>                  |
| Indonesian Language taster                                 | 14:00 to 14:55   | BG03                                    |
| Persian Language taster                                    | 14:00 to 14:55   | P420                                    |
| Swahili Language taster                                    | 14:00 to 14:55   | S116                                    |
| Thai Language taster                                       | 14:00 to 14:55   | RB01                                    |
| Welcome To SOAS: Support for Writing and Studies           | 14:00 to 14:25   | S211                                    |
| Managing your money  | 15:00 to 15:55   | R301                                    |



## Tuesday, 24 September 2024: Academic Inductions, Breakout Sessions & Receptions

| Department                                   | Programme   | Time                        | Location                       |
|--|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Department of Development Studies            | Department of Development Studies: Academic Induction                                       | 09:30 to 09:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | BA Global Development   | 10:00 to 10:55              | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|  | MSc Global Development (including pathways)   | 10:00 to 10:55              | CG3                            |
|  | MSc Environment, Politics & Development   | 10:00 to 10:55              | B204                           |
|  | MSc Humanitarianism, Aid and Conflict   | 10:00 to 10:55              | B202                           |
|  | MSc Migration, Mobility and Development   | 10:00 to 10:55              | B103                           |
|  | MSc Research for International Development  | 10:00 to 10:55              | B104                           |
|  | MSc Violence, Conflict and Development  | 10:00 to 10:55              | B303                           |
|  | PhD Development Studies   | 10:00 to 10:55              | B205                           |
|  | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 11:00 to 11:55              | BG01                           |
|  | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 11:00 to 11:55              | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
| Department of Development Studies: Reception | 12:00 to 13:00  | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre |                                |
| School of Arts                               | School of Arts: Academic Induction  | 11:30 to 11:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | BA History of Art and Archaeology, incl. joint programmes                                   | 12:00 to 12:55              | B104                           |
|  | BA Music and..; BA Creative Arts & Cultural Industries                                      | 12:00 to 12:55              | B101                           |
|  | MA Global Creative and Cultural Industries  | 12:00 to 12:55              | B202                           |
|  | MA History of Art and Archaeology; other MA History of Art programmes; MA Curating Cultures | 12:00 to 12:55              | B303                           |
|  | MA Music  | 12:00 to 12:55              | B102                           |
|  | PhD School of Art   | 12:00 to 12:55              | B204                           |
|  | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 13:00 to 13:55              | BG01                           |
|  | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 13:00 to 13:55              | Learning Lounge                |
| School of Arts: Reception                    | 14:00 to 14:55  | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre |                                |
| Department of Economics                      | Department of Economics: Academic Induction   | 13:00 to 13:25              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | All MSc Programmes (MSc Economics, MSc Economic Policy, MSc Development Economics)          | 13:30 to 14:25              | Khalili Lecture Theatre        |
|  | PhD/MPhil Economics   | 13:30 to 14:25              | B203                           |
|  | BSc Economics, BA Economics, BSc Development Economics                                      | 13:30 to 14:25              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|  | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 14:30 to 15:25              | BG01                           |
|  | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 14:30 to 15:25              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
| Department of Economics: Reception           | 15:30 to 16:25  | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre |                                |



## Tuesday, 24 September 2024: Non-academic Activities

Session descriptions can be found on [here](#).

| Programme  | Time   | Location                                |
|--|--|---|
| <b>Consent and Active Bystander Training</b>   | 10:00 to 16:55   | <a href="#">See SU website</a>          |
| <b>Student Life Introduction and merchandise collection</b>  | 10:00 to 10:55<br>11:00 to 11:55<br>12:00 to 12:55<br>13:00 to 13:55                   | Alumni Lecture Theatre                  |
| <b>How SOAS Careers can support you &amp; making the most of your time at university for employability</b> | 10:30 to 11:25   | SL62                                    |
| <b>Library Induction Tour</b>  | 11:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>15:00 to 15:25 | By the steps of the<br>College Building |
| <b>Digital Campus Induction</b>  | 12:00 to 12:25<br>12:30 to 12:55<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>13:30 to 13:55                   | Wolfson Lecture Theatre                 |
| <b>Learning and Design Drop In</b>   | 11:00 to 11:55   | S211                                    |
| <b>Chinese Placement Test</b>  | 11:00 to 13:00   | S214                                    |
| <b>Amharic Language Taster</b>   | 14:00 to 14:55   | B102                                    |
| <b>Chinese Language Taster</b>   | 14:00 to 14:55   | B101                                    |
| <b>Hindi/ Urdu Language Taster</b>   | 14:00 to 14:55   | BG02                                    |
| <b>Student Rep Network</b>   | 14:00 to 14:55   | S211                                    |
| <b>How SOAS Careers can support you &amp; making the most of your time at university for employability</b> | 14:00 to 14:55   | SL62                                    |
| <b>Managing your Money</b>   | 14:30 to 15:30   | R301                                    |
| <b>Study Skills: Preparing for your first lecture</b>  | 14:00 to 14:55   | B103                                    |
| <b>Creativity and Wellbeing Workshop: Journalling</b>  | 15:00 to 16:25   | B104                                    |
| <b>Talking Circles</b>   | 15:00 to 16:25   | BG02                                    |
| <b>International Student Induction</b>   | 15:00 to 16:25   | Brunei Gallery Lecture<br>Theatre       |
| <b>Race and Belonging: On Whiteness</b>  | 16:30 to 18:25   | B305                                    |
| <b>International Student Mixer</b>   | 16:30 to 18:25   | SU Bar                                  |

## Wednesday, 25 September 2024: Academic Inductions, Breakout Sessions & Receptions

| Department  | Programme  | Time                        | Location                       |
|---|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Department of Anthropology and Sociology            | Department of Anthropology and Sociology: Department Welcome                 | 09:30 to 09:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | All MRes and MPhil Anthropology Students: Academic Induction                 | 10:00 to 10:55              | Khalili Lecture Theatre        |
|   | BA Social Anthropology (single and joint degrees)                            | 10:00 to 10:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | MA Anthropology of Food (+ Intensive Language)                               | 10:00 to 10:55              | B103                           |
|   | MA Anthropology of Global Futures and Sustainability                         | 10:00 to 10:55              | S209                           |
|   | MA Medical Anthropology and Mental Health (+ Intensive Language)             | 10:00 to 10:55              | B104                           |
|   | MA Migration & Diaspora Studies (+ Intensive Language)                       | 10:00 to 10:55              | CG3                            |
|   | MA Social Anthropology (+ Intensive Language)                                | 10:00 to 10:55              | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|   | Department Support and Module Sign Up  | 11:00 to 11:55              | BG01                           |
|   | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students                                    | 11:00 to 11:55              | R301                           |
| Department of Anthropology and Sociology: Reception | 12:00 to 13:00   | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre |                                |
| Foundation College                                  | All new IFCELS students (ICC, Pre-Master's, ELAS) Talk                       | 10:00 to 10:55              | BG02                           |
|   | All new Foundation Year Students   | 11:00 to 12:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | FY and IFCELS Reception  | 13:30 to 14:25              | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre    |
| School of History, Religions and Philosophies       | School of History, Religions and Philosophies: Academic Induction (UG & PGT) | 13:30 to 13:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | BA Global Liberal Arts   | 14:00 to 14:55              | B101                           |
|   | BA History   | 14:00 to 14:55              | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | BA World Philosophies  | 14:00 to 14:55              | CG3                            |
|   | MA History, and MA History with Intensive Language                           | 14:00 to 14:55              | B202                           |
|   | MA Religion, Politics and Society  | 14:00 to 14:55              | B204                           |
|   | MPhil/PhD Students HRP   | 14:00 to 14:55              | BG01                           |
|   | MA Traditions of Yoga and Meditation   | 14:00 to 14:25              | B102                           |
|   | MA Buddhist Studies; MA Buddhist Studies (with Intensive Language)           | 14:30 to 14:55              | B102                           |
|   | Department Support and Module Sign Up  | 15:00 to 15:55              | BG01                           |
|   | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students                                    | 15:00 to 15:55              | Learning Lounge                |
|   | School of History, Religions and Philosophies: Reception                     | 16:00 to 16:55              | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre    |
|   | Study World Religions at SOAS  | 17:00 to 17:55              | B304                           |

## Wednesday, 25 September 2024: Non-academic Activities

Session descriptions can be found on [here](#).

| Programme  | Time   | Location                             |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Consent and Active Bystander Training</b>                     | 10:00 to 16:55   | <a href="#">See SU website</a>       |
| <b>Student Life Introduction and merchandise collection</b>      | 10:00 to 10:55<br>11:00 to 11:55<br>12:00 to 12:55<br>13:00 to 13:55                   | Alumni Lecture Theatre               |
| <b>Library Induction</b>   | 11:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>15:00 to 15:25 | By the steps of the College Building |
| <b>BRP to eVisa Rollout</b>                                      | 10:00 to 10:55   | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre       |
| <b>Arabic Placement Test</b>                                     | 10:00 to 12:55   | BG02                                 |
| <b>Men's Mental Health</b>                                       | 10:30 to 10:55   | S214                                 |
| <b>Internship &amp; Volunteering</b>                             | 10:30 to 11:25<br>14:00 to 14:55   | SL62                                 |
| <b>Study Skills: Tackle your Reading list</b>                    | 11:00 to 11:55   | CG3                                  |
| <b>How to avoid stress while at university</b>                   | 11:00 to 11:55   | PG51A                                |
| <b>Chinese Language Placement Test</b>                           | 11:00 to 11:55   | B201                                 |
| <b>IQ EQ SQ- the three quotients in life</b>                     | 12:00 to 12:55   | B102                                 |
| <b>My London</b>   | 13:00 to 13:55   | B103                                 |
| <b>Digital Campus Tour</b>                                       | 14:00 to 14:25<br>14:30 to 14:55<br>15:00 to 15:25<br>15:30 to 15:55                   | Wolfson Lecture Theatre              |
| <b>Thriving at University - Bridging the Gap Student Leaders</b> | 14:00 to 14:55   | R301                                 |

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| <b>Learning Design and Technology (Drop-in)</b>         | 14:00 to 14:55 | Virtual                           |
| <b>Arabic Language Taster</b>                           | 14:00 to 14:55 | RB01                              |
| <b>Hebrew Language Taster</b>                           | 14:00 to 14:55 | S113                              |
| <b>Korean Language Taster</b>                           | 14:00 to 14:55 | B104                              |
| <b>Swahili Language Taster</b>                          | 14:00 to 14:55 | RG01                              |
| <b>Becoming your own Best Friend</b>                    | 15:00 to 15:55 | B103                              |
| <b>Peer Mentor Meet-up</b>                              | 15:00 to 15:55 | B203                              |
| <b>Race and Belonging: on Power in the Classroom</b>    | 16:30 to 18:25 | B305                              |
| <b>Touki: Night of Koras, Guitars, Banjos and Drums</b> | 18:00 to 20:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture<br>Theatre |
| <b>Master's and Mocktails</b>                           | 18:00 to 19:55 | SU Bar                            |



## Thursday, 26 September 2024: Academic Inductions, Breakout Sessions & Receptions

| Department  | Programme   | Time           | Location                       |
|---|---|----------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Department of Politics and International Studies</b> | Department of Politics and International Studies: Academic Induction (new undergraduate students)   | 09:30 to 10:25 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 11:00 to 12:55 | BG01                           |
|   | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 11:00 to 11:55 | Learning Lounge                |
|   | Department of Politics and International Studies: Academic Induction (Postgraduate students and Centre for International Studies and Diplomacy) | 11:00 to 11:55 | Khalili Lecture Theatre        |
|   | Department of Politics and International Studies: Reception (new postgraduate students)   | 13:00 to 13:55 | Learning Lounge                |
|   | Department of Politics and International Studies: Reception (new undergraduate students)  | 13:00 to 13:55 | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre    |
| <b>School of Law, Gender and Media</b>                  | MAs in the Centre for Global Media and Communications   | 09:30 to 10:55 | B105                           |
|   | Law Year 1: Academic Induction  | 11:00 to 12:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 13:00 to 15:55 | BG01                           |
|   | LLM/MA Law: Academic Induction  | 13:30 to 14:55 | Khalili Lecture Theatre        |
|   | Law Year 2: Academic Induction  | 13:30 to 14:25 | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|   | Law PhD: Academic Induction   | 14:00 to 14:55 | R301                           |
|   | Law Year 3: Academic Induction  | 15:00 to 15:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | School of Law, Gender and Media: Reception  | 16:00 to 17:25 | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre    |
| <b>Doctoral School</b>                                  | Welcome to SOAS: Unlock Your Potential  | 12:00 to 12:55 | B303                           |
|   | Welcome from the Head of the Doctoral School  | 13:00 to 13:40 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | Introduction to the Graduate School Research Programme  | 13:45 to 14:25 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | Core Module Induction   | 15:00 to 15:55 | B303                           |
|   | Social with the Students' Union and the Research Student Association  | 16:00 to 16:55 | SU Bar                         |

## Thursday, 26 September 2024: Non-academic Activities

Session descriptions can be found on [here](#).

| Programme   | Time   | Location                                |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Consent and Active Bystander Training</b>                  | 10:00 to 16:55   | <a href="#">See SU website</a>          |
| <b>International Student Induction</b>                        | 09:30 to 10:55   | Wolfson Lecture Theatre                 |
| <b>Meet the Disability and Neurodiversity team</b>            | 10:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 13:25<br>15:00 to 16:25                                     | PG51A                                   |
| <b>Self-care workshop</b>                                     | 13:00 to 14:25   | B104                                    |
| <b>Finding Relevant Part-time Work</b>                        | 10:30 to 11:25<br>14:00 to 14:55   | SL62                                    |
| <b>How to avoid stress while at university</b>                | 11:00 to 11:55   | B204                                    |
| <b>Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) Facilitator Meet up</b>       | 11:00 to 11:55   | PG51                                    |
| <b>Study Skills: Preparing for your first lecture</b>         | 11:00 to 11:55   | S211                                    |
| <b>Library Induction Tour</b>                                 | 11:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>15:00 to 15:25 | By the steps of the<br>College Building |
| <b>Digital Campus Induction</b>                               | 11:30 to 11:55<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>12:30 to 12:55                                     | Wolfson Lecture Theatre                 |
| <b>Creativity &amp; Mindfulness Wellbeing Workshop</b>        | 12:00 to 12:55   | S113                                    |
| <b>Student Representative Network</b>                         | 13:00 to 13:55   | S113                                    |
| <b>What is Progressive (or Pluralist) Judaism?</b>            | 13:30 to 14:25   | R301                                    |
| <b>Student Life Introduction and Merchandise collection</b>   | 13:30 to 14:25<br>14:30 to 15:25<br>15:30 to 16:25                                     | Alumni Lecture Theatre                  |
| <b>International Students: Working alongside your studies</b> | 14:00 to 14:30   | PG51                                    |
| <b>Amharic Language Taster</b>                                | 14:00 to 14:55   | B202                                    |
| <b>Japanese Language Taster</b>                               | 14:00 to 14:55   | B203                                    |
| <b>Persian Language Taster</b>                                | 14:00 to 14:55   | B204                                    |
| <b>Zulu Language Taster</b>                                   | 14:00 to 14:55   | B205                                    |

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| <b>Meet the Muslim Chaplain: An informal talk and networking event</b> | 15:00 to 15:55 | S209                              |
| <b>BRP to eVisa Rollout</b>  | 16:00 to 16:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture<br>Theatre |
| <b>PGRs and Prosecco</b>   | 16:00 to 17:55 | SU Bar                            |

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## Friday, 27 September 2024: Academic Inductions, Breakout Sessions & Receptions

| Department                              | Programme   | Time           | Location                       |
|---|---|----------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>School of Finance and Management</b> | School of Finance and Management: Academic Induction (new undergraduate students)   | 09:30 to 09:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | BSc Accounting and Finance  | 10:00 to 10:55 | B303                           |
|   | BSc Management  | 10:00 to 10:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | Department Support and Module Sign Up   | 11:00 to 13:25 | BG01                           |
|   | Welcome Back Event for Returning Students   | 11:00 to 11:55 | Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre |
|   | School of Finance and Management: Academic Induction (new postgraduate students)  | 11:30 to 11:55 | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|   | All MSc Programmes (MSc International Business, MSc Finance, MSc Public Policy and Management, MSc International Marketing) | 12:00 to 12:55 | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|   | PhD Finance and Management  | 12:00 to 12:55 | BG02                           |
|   | School of Finance and Management: Reception   | 13:00 to 13:55 | Kamran Djam Lecture Theatre    |
| <b>Doctoral School</b>                  | Support Systems to Help You on Your Journey   | 10:00 to 10:55 | Wolfson Lecture Theatre        |
|   | Research Student RSA Tips for Your Student Journey  | 11:00 to 11:55 | CG3                            |
|   | Milestones in the PhD Student Journey with Your Doctoral School Team  | 12:30 to 13:25 | BG01                           |
|   | Navigating the Library  | 14:30 to 14:55 | Library                        |
|   | Scavenger Hunt in London  | 15:00 to 18:00 | Meet at the stairs outside     |
| <b>All Departments</b>                  | Module Bazaar for Postgraduate Taught Students  | 13:30 to 15:55 | Cloister                       |

## Friday, 27 September 2024: Non-academic Activities

Session descriptions can be found on [here](#).

| Programme  | Time   | Location                                |
|--|--|---|
| <b>Consent and Active Bystander Training</b>                             | 10:00 to 16:55   | <a href="#">See SU website</a>          |
| <b>Student Life Introduction and merchandise collection</b>              | 09:30 to 10:25<br>10:30 to 11:25<br>11:30 to 12:25<br>12:30 to 13:25                   | Alumni Lecture Theatre                  |
| <b>SSAI Sanglaap Art and Culture Series: The Dark Side of Moon</b>       | 11:00 to 11:55   | RG01                                    |
| <b>Library Induction Tour</b>  | 11:00 to 11:25<br>12:00 to 12:25<br>13:00 to 13:25<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>15:00 to 15:25 | By the steps of the<br>College Building |
| <b>Welcome to SOAS: Introducing support for your writing and studies</b> | 11:30 to 12:25   | S209                                    |
| <b>Therapy Dogs Nationwide</b>   | 12:00 to 13:55   | RB01                                    |
| <b>Working during your studies (international students)</b>              | 12:00 to 12:55   | B304                                    |
| <b>Digital Campus Induction</b>  | 13:30 to 13:55<br>14:00 to 14:25<br>14:30 to 14:55<br>15:00 to 15:25                   | Wolfson Lecture Theatre                 |
| <b>Arabic Language taster</b>  | 14:00 to 14:55   | B203                                    |
| <b>Japanese Language taster</b>  | 14:00 to 14:55   | B201                                    |
| <b>Turkish Language taster</b>   | 14:00 to 14:55   | B104                                    |
| <b>Study Abroad Reception</b>  | 14:00 to 14:55   | Kamran Djam Lecture<br>Theatre          |
| <b>Study Skills: Tackle your reading list</b>                            | 14:00 to 14:55   | S211                                    |
| <b>SU Freshers Fayre: Access Hour</b>                                    | 10:30 to 10:55   | Precinct                                |
| <b>SU Freshers Fayre</b>   | 11:00 to 15:55   | Precinct                                |





## Pre-Welcome Week Sessions: 17 – 20 September 2024

### 17 September 2024

| Department         | Programme                | Time           | Location |
|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Foundation College | ICC module Introductions | 11:00 to 15:55 | B103     |
|                    | ICC Welcome Meeting      | 11:00 to 11:55 | B104     |
|                    | ICC Campus Tour          | 12:00 to 12:55 | B104     |
|                    | ICC UCAS Briefing 1      | 14:00 to 14:55 | B104     |

### 18 September 2024

| Department         | Programme                     | Time           | Location |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Foundation College | Pre-Master's Welcome Meeting  | 11:00 to 11:55 | B103     |
|                    | ELAS Welcome Meeting          | 12:00 to 12:55 | B103     |
|                    | Pre-Master's Campus Tour      | 12:00 to 12:55 | B104     |
|                    | ELAS Campus Tour              | 13:00 to 13:55 | B103     |
|                    | Research Methods Introduction | 14:00 to 14:55 | B103     |

### 19 September 2024

| Department         | Programme                                     | Time           | Location |
|--------------------|---|----------------|----------|
| Foundation College | ICC Lecture Skills Training 1                 | 10:00 to 14:55 | B103     |
|                    | Pre-Master's and ELAS Lecture Skills Training | 10:00 to 14:55 | B104     |

### 20 September 2024

| Department         | Programme                                  | Time           | Location |
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| Foundation College | ICC Lecture Skills Training 2              | 10:00 to 14:55 | B104     |
|                    | Pre-Master's and ELAS Module Introductions | 10:00 to 15:55 | B103     |

