

IF YOU'RE CURIOUS, LONDON IS AN AMAZING PLACE

When it comes to studying finance, London simply is the perfect city. Often referred to as Europe's financial capital, London is a great place to study, not only because it is a major financial hub, but also due to its international atmosphere. In today's globalised, it is important to have an international perspective and a broad approach to tackle the strategic and financial challenges modern companies are facing. This is why I decided to take a one-year Master's course in finance and private equity at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) after previous studies in Germany.

LSE is a great experience and very different from what I was used to. The didactic approach incorporates many case studies and real-world problems. The concepts being taught have high practical relevance and often directly relate to work life. We also enjoy a lot of lectures by practitioners, who again give a good impression of current industry trends and the things that really matter once you start working. Another key difference are the numerous classroom discussions, which often involve different perspectives and are very interesting to follow and to participate in. The students in my programme are from all over the world and regularly take alternative and unexpected approaches to tackle a problem. As a result, the overall style of teaching encourages one to roll up one's sleeves, get to work and choose an appropriate and practical problem-solving approach.

London itself has an unparalleled, vibrant and international atmosphere. You meet new people from across the globe every week and get fantastic exposure to foreign cultures. This also includes a great variety of different culinary specialities. The city's street food markets serve authentic exotic dishes at reasonable prices. Together with friends, I really enjoy roaming the town and discovering new places. Besides food, London offers a lot of other leisure activities, especially in terms of architecture and cultural activities, such as musicals, plays, operas and so forth. As there is always something new to explore, I think Samuel Johnson was quite right when he said that "when a man is tired of London, he is tired of life".

Studying in London has been an exciting and great time so far, both in terms of academics and of the personal experiences I had outside the university. I am very thankful for the generous support of the BCCG Foundation and British Airways.



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