ORIENTATION SCHEDULE
SPRING 2006
JANUARY 10TH – 13TH 2006

London Semester Programme
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The Thistle Kensington Gardens Hotel
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Tuesday 10th January

9.00am Assemble outside your accommodation for escort to the Thistle Kensington Park Hotel).

Please remember to bring your tube pass with you.

LANCASTER students should meet Jennie Davies in the lobby of the hotel for a separate briefing session and transfer to Euston station.

9.45am Introductions Chatsworth Suite
The Director Will Migniuolo and the London staff introduce the Arcadia study abroad programme.

10.00am Cultural Adjustment
Will Migniuolo gives his unique insight into living in the United Kingdom.

11.00am Safety and Security
Andy Booth, Crime Prevention Officer with the Metropolitan Police, talks about personal safety during your stay.

11.30am Coffee Break

12.00pm “This is Britain”
Dr. Joan Alcock, one of the foremost authorities on the Capital, presents a history of Britain.

Dr. Alcock is Senior Academic Tutor in the School of Hospitality & Product Management at South Bank University. She graduated from London University with a degree in History and has since gained further qualifications in Art, Archaeology and Educational Administration. Dr. Alcock lectures on all aspects of London's history and her published works include books and articles on history and archaeology. Dr. Alcock's current area of research is the history of food. She is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and of the Royal Society of Arts.

1.00pm Lunch
You are free for lunch – there are a number of places to eat in the area around the orientation venue. Please be back in your seats by 1.50pm.

2.00pm Politics and Current Affairs Panel Discussion
The panel, chaired by the Resident Director Duncan de Silva, consists of two members of the House of Lords, Lord Taverne and Lord Brooke, and Dianne Abbot representing the House of Commons. This is a unique opportunity to question these distinguished public figures on any aspect of politics or current affairs.
Diane Abbott MP

Ms Abbott was educated at Harrow County Girl’s Grammar School and Newnham College, Cambridge. She has worked for the National Council for Civil Liberties, as a television journalist, and as an Equality Officer. From 1982 to 1986, she served as a member of Westminster Council. In 1987, she was elected the Labour Member for Hackney North and Stoke Newington, thereby becoming Britain’s first black female MP. A staunch opponent of the war in Iraq, she is one of the most high-profile Labour backbenchers.

Lord Brooke

Lord Brooke was educated at Marlborough, Balliol College, Oxford, and the Harvard Business School. He has worked as a research associate in Lausanne, Swiss Correspondent for the Financial Times and Chairman of an international management consultancy. From 1977 to 1997 he served as the Conservative Member for the City of London and Westminster South, and from 1997 to 2001 served as the Member for the Cities of London and Westminster. During this time he was Chairman of the Select Committee on Northern Ireland, and Joint Chairman of the All-Party Homelessness Group. He was raised to the House of Lords in 2001.

Lord Taverne

Lord Taverne was educated at Charterhouse School and Balliol College, Oxford. He was called to the bar in 1954 and became Queen’s Counsel in 1965. He entered Parliament in 1962 as Labour MP for Lincoln and subsequently served as Minister in various offices including that of Financial Secretary to the Treasury. After resigning from the Labour Party, he was elected as the only independent MP in Parliament from March 1973 until October 1974. He is now a leading member of the Social and Liberal Democrat Party. Outside of party politics, Mr. Taverne was the founding director for the Institute for Fiscal Studies and more recently the Public Policy Centre. He is the author of Economic and Monetary Union in Europe and The Future of the Left. He was raised to the House of Lords in January 1997.

4.00pm Boat Trip

Take a cruise down the River Thames and see the sights of London from a different perspective. Staff will lead you from the lecture via the tube to the boat. The trip down the river will last about an hour and will end at Embankment Pier.

5.30pm Welcome Dinner at Zizzi, Notting Hill Gate

Arcadia staff welcome you to the UK with a surfeit of fine cuisine and cakes at one of the most historic pubs in London.
Wednesday 11\textsuperscript{th} January

9.15am Assemble outside your accommodation for escort to The Thistle Kensington Park Hotel.

\textit{Please remember to bring your packs and theatre tickets with you}

10.00am How Not To Fail!
Holly Jagger and Jennie Davies detail ways of adjusting to the British learning environment.

11.00am Homestay
Assistant Academic Officer Jennie Davies introduces the exciting world of homestay and the challenges and rewards of time spent living with a British family.

11.45am – 1.45pm Academic Programme Meetings

11.45am London Semester Programme \textit{Chatsworth Suite}
Royal Holloway \textit{Syndicate Room, Burghley Suite}

12.45am Swansea \textit{Chatsworth Suite}

11.45am - 1.45pm Events Sign Up \textit{Syndicate Room, Burghley Suite}

For Arcadia events, please bring \textbf{Cash} in \textbf{Pounds Sterling} (sorry – we can’t accept credit cards or travellers cheques) and reserve spaces on the activities of your choice. Spaces are limited for many of the events and excursions, so now is the time to get your social calendar organized (see section 3 in your packs).

4.00pm Thoresby House Meeting – Basment Lounge
\textbf{Mandatory} meeting for all residents in Thoresby House.

Palace Court House Meeting – First Floor Lounge
\textbf{Mandatory} meeting for all residents in Palace Court.
7.00pm  *Chicago* at the Adelphi Theatre, The Strand

Please arrive promptly for the performance of this renowned musical. The nearest underground stations are **Embankment** (District, Circle, Northern and Bakerloo Line), **Charing Cross** (Northern and Bakerloo Lines) and **Covent Garden** (Piccadilly Line).

A tale of murder, passion, sex and, of course, ‘All That Jazz’, Chicago follows the misfortunes of aspiring vaudeville star, Roxie Hart and her mentor, the moderately successful Velma Kelly, whose lives become inexorably entwined when, charged with separate murders, they find themselves prisoners in the same cell block.

Enter Matron Morton, the irrepressible Mama and the charismatic, but equally corrupt, lawyer, Mr Billy Flynn who together, and for a substantial sum of money, set about proving the girls’ innocence by decidedly foul means.

Shifting adroitly between reality and fantasy as Roxie’s world moves from prison to courtroom to stage, Chicago is a stunning spectacle, filled with human emotion cleverly underlined by the vibrant pulse of music.
**Thursday 12\(^{th}\) January**

Royal Holloway students depart for campus.

Swansea and LSP students have a FREE DAY.

**Friday 13\(^{th}\) January**

Swansea students depart for campus.

**REGISTRATION FOR LONDON HUMANITIES and CITY CLASSES**

*Northampton Suite, Level 4, City University*

- Mandatory for all LSP students

1.00pm  Students resident at **Palace Court** should assemble outside their residence for escort to City University

1.30pm  Students resident at **Thoresby House** meet outside the building for escort to City University

2.00pm  **LH Registration**  
**Birley Lecture Theatre, Centenary Building**

MANDATORY registration session for all students on the London Semester Programme.