The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London (Great Britain)

1. Overall impression

Very interesting year where I was able to study a particular law field much more in detail. Met people from all over the world and remain to have great relationships with them.

Best year of my University-time. King's College is a good University, staff is friendly, many very nice students.

2. Making preparations

(e.g. administrative matters, finding information)

You will have an orientation week in King's to make you familiar with the campus, many events organised. Only thing I would recommend is getting your accommodation sorted as soon as possible.

KEATS has most information you need. Otherwise don't freak out if everything happens rather late, that is normal. You will get emails with Info. There is an Induction event for all LLM students in the welcome week, there you get a lot of info too.

3. Contacts/Responsibilities

(e.g. important contact persons at the Partner University and Faculty)

There is a desk at the faculty of law that can respond to all your enquiries. Professors are also very available and helpful if you have an issue.

King's College administration (contact found online) browse the website of Kings College. Post Graduate Law Office. Easiest: Contact any of the ex LLM students, more than happy to help with any questions.

4. Housing / Finding accommodation

I found privately accommodation, but looking back, I think being in the kings residences can be better for socializing. Some residences are far however and you could find cheaper private, but that is up to personal preference.

Easiest to go there and look for an apartment, everything happens rather short notice in London. Book a Hostel and then organize some viewings the first few days.

Student's accommodation as an alternative (I did not to that so no feedback to this).

5. Arrival

I arrived some days before the Welcome Week, more than enough. City Airport highly recommended, fastest and closest.

6. Telephone

(e.g. costs, carriers)

Vodafone (VOXI) - 10 Pounds a month, 6 GB internet and calls to UK number + unlimited Data on all social media. Great reception everywhere.

Giffgaff

7. Bank account

I opened an HSBC account, very easy and free. However I highly recommend Revolut, online Bank, no fees, very easy.

Barclays, pretty easy set up

8. Transport (e.g. from Switzerland, to the University)

Try to apply to a Oyster Card 18+ (Student) as soon as possible, takes some time to arrive.

9. General information about the Partner Faculty and student life

Great student life, many different activities offered. Definitively try to make the most of your year, it will fly by!

Student life in London is amazing. Very social life, many LLM events.

10. Teaching and studying at the Partner Faculty

(e.g. program structure, methodology, exams, etc.)

Professors very available, lots of guidance for your master thesis as well, definitely look at past papers for the exams (will be made available to you)

All exams are in May, even if it's a semester module ending in January.

Some subjects are essay based so no exam.

First 2 weeks is shopping period where you can check as many subjects out as you want and then decide.

11. City

(e.g. cultural activities, sports, discounts, nightlife, must-sees, short trips, etc.)

Timeout London, Instagram and Facebook helpful for this. Cambridge, Oxford and Brighton close and worth it. As mentioned, contact any of the ex LLM-students if more suggestions are desirable, we have plenty and are all very nice people.

PS: Don't get too many visitors, enjoy the time in London with the people in London (very important!). Many of us regretted having so many visitors.

PPS: Don't go home too often, year will end too fast anyway.

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