



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

1 Overall impression

It is almost impossible to sum up such a great year with fantastic teaching staff and students at such a highly reputable law faculty.

It was a year that showed me how different one can approach law and how enriching it can be to see alternative views. At large, it was an experience that I will never forget, in terms of making new friends as well as in terms of education.

2 Making preparations

(e.g. administrative matters, finding information)

It is important to start preparation early enough. In particular, the visa needs to be sorted out (which easily can be done online as an answer can be expected within 2 days).

3 Contacts/Responsibilities

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

Contacts can be found on KEATS, there is a clear instruction on how to ask for information concerning extensions, grading matters etc.

4 Housing

The accommodation market in London is quite competitive and accordingly one is well advised to look for accommodation months before moving.

Urbanest (which is a King's postgraduate accommodation) has a very central apartments at affordable prices and it enables one to keep in touch with many other students at King's College, not limited to law students.

5 Arrival

Once you arrive in one of the London airports, it is easy to get to the city by train. Uber and Taxis are in most cases way too expensive.

6 Telephone

(e.g. costs, carriers)

There are two options: Either one keeps his Swiss number and asks the Swiss provider for unlimited data or one gets a UK number. Latter can be helpful as unlimited data in UK is pretty cheap (roughly

30 pounds a month) and some services are not accessible without an UK-number (e.g. reservations etc.).

7 Bank account

Make sure to have an alternative bank account (e.g. Revolut). For many services, an UK bank account as well as an UK mobile number is required

8 Transport

There are plenty of opportunities to get from A to B in London. If you're sporty, go for a bike (buy one or get the Santander offer and have access to many city bikes for 100 pounds a year). Otherwise there are many bus and tube lines.

9 General information about the Partner Faculty and student life

The law faculty offers many different courses of which all are very interesting. Also, the teaching staff is very involved in providing interesting lectures. There are many social events which makes it easy to find many new friends from all across the globe.

10 Teaching and studying at the Partner Faculty

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

As of covid, many lectures were online only. Nonetheless, most teaching staff was encouraged to hold in-person classes which were truly a highlight. Most lecturers advocate for class discussions where all the different views are expressed which is very enriching.

The credits were awarded for online open-book exams or (5000 words) essays.

11 City

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

London has a lot to offer: Museums, parks, many public football pitches. The nightlife is a bit different to what we are used to in terms of timing as clubs (or bars with dance floors such as most locations in Soho) close relatively early. So make sure to start with pre-games early enough. Also, there are many beautiful places in the coastal area (e.g. Devon, Brighton etc.).

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