King’s has been researching and teaching Liberal Arts subjects for over 150 years, and is amongst the world’s leading universities. This innovative and flexible degree course enables you to tailor your degree from a wide range of options in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. You will gain a wide-ranging qualification that will enhance your employability and provide an ideal platform for work or postgraduate study. You will study a combination of required and optional modules, and choose a subject in which you will major. You will have further opportunities to study a language, spend time abroad, and undertake an internship.

**Key benefits**
- A flexible degree with a wide range of optional modules for your major.
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- Draws on the full range of King’s exciting heritage in Arts and Humanities.
- A flexible degree, which is also focused on making you highly employable.
- An interdisciplinary focus on the arts, humanities and social sciences, with no mathematics or science requirements.
- A truly international staff with a wealth of experience in liberal arts teaching.
- Course delivered at Strand Campus in the heart of London, one of the world’s most vibrant and cosmopolitan cities, within easy reach of numerous cultural and political institutions.

**Course details**
The Liberal Arts BA offers you outstanding flexibility, balancing breadth of knowledge across disciplines with the opportunity for in-depth study in a field of your choice. During each year, your study will be anchored by a distinctive required module. You will then choose from a wide range of optional modules before selecting a major for years two and three, enabling you to tailor the degree to your own interests. In year one, you will also take a foreign language module, delivered by King’s Modern Language Centre, which you will then have the opportunity to continue throughout your degree. The academic year is divided into two equal semesters, and at the beginning of the second semester of your first year you will select a major subject, which will be the main focus of your study in your second and third year. In your second year, we encourage you to spend a semester abroad at one of our partner institutions, and you can also choose to take a credit-bearing internship module. However, if you choose to major in Modern Languages, you will spend a full-year studying abroad at one of our partner institutions, and the length of your course will increase to 4 years.
Teaching

The Liberal Arts BA is interdisciplinary, providing you with a wide choice of modules from across our Arts and Humanities Faculty and from selected subjects in the Social Science and Public Policy Faculty. Throughout your degree, you will have access to an academic advisor on whom you can rely for personal guidance.

Most of your modules will be taught through lectures and seminars, including units delivered by one of the world’s most distinguished academics.

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Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

Assessment

You will be assessed through a combination of coursework, written examinations and, in your third year, an extended research project.

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Regulating body

King’s College London is regulated by the Higher Education Funding Council for England.

Course structure

Courses are divided into modules. Each year you will normally take modules totalling 120 credits.

In each year you will study a required module plus a combination of optional modules, including your choice of major in years two and three.

Year 1

Required modules

You are required to take the following modules:

- Lives of London (15 credits)
- Writing Liberal Arts (15 credits)
- Language module (15 credits)

You are required to study a first-year foreign language module, which can be selected from a range of modules (excluding linguistics) offered by the Modern Language Centre (MLC) here at King’s. Introductory Latin is also available.

Optional modules

You are also required to take 75 credits from a range of optional modules designed to give a broad introduction to academic study, and prepare you to study a subject in more depth in years two and three. The range of optional modules may typically include:

- Issues & Topics in Music 1 (15 credits)
- Issues & Topics in Music 4 (15 credits)
- Introducing Literary Theories (15 credits)
- Classical & Biblical Contexts (15 credits)
- Introduction to Film studies: Forms (15 credits)
- Introduction to Film Studies: Contexts (15 credits, can only be taken as a follow-up to Film Studies: Forms)
- An Introduction to Byzantium & Modern Greece (15 credits)

- What is Comparative Literature? Conceptions and Methods (15 credits)
- What is Comparative Literature? Conceptions and Methods (15 credits)
- Comparative Literature: Theoretical Foundations (15 credits)
- Between places: Nomads, Exiles Travellers (15 credits)
- Introduction to Politics (15 credits)
- Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (15 credits)
- Politics in Theory and Practice (15 credits)
- Introduction to the Anthropology of Religion (15 credits)
- Geographical Foundations 1: The Making of the Modern World (15 credits)
- Geographical Foundations 2: Challenges of the Modern World (15 credits)
- Introduction to Philosophy 1 (15 credits)
- Introduction to Philosophy 2 (15 credits)
- The Making of Britain 400-1400 (30 credits)
- Power, Culture and Belief in Europe 1500-1800 (30 credits)
- World History 1870s - 2000s (30 credits)
- Theories of New Media (15 credits)
- Digital Methods 1 (15 credits)
Year 2

Required modules
You are required to take the following module:

- Space, Power, Agency (15 credits)

Subject majors
In your first year, you are required to choose a subject major from the wide range offered in the Faculty, and this will form approximately 50% of your degree in years two and three. Majors may typically include:

- Classical and Hellenic Studies
- Comparative Literature
- Digital Culture (new for 2017-18)
- English
- Film Studies
- Geography
- History
- Modern languages (French, German, Spanish, or Portuguese)
- Music
- Philosophy
- Politics
- Theology and Religious Studies

In addition to your required module and your choice of major, you will also choose optional modules from an extensive range, including the chance to continue studying a language.

If you accumulate enough credits in a particular subject this will be recognised on your transcript as a minor.

You will have the chance to spend the second semester of year two at one of the College’s global partner institutions, which include the National University of Singapore (NUS), Hong Kong University (HKU), the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill), the New School (New York City), and a number of European Universities such as the Humboldt University in Berlin.

Alternatively, if you are on the Modern Languages pathway you will spend your third year abroad at one of our partner institutions, before returning to complete the final year of your degree.

You can also take an internship module. We will support you in locating an internship, and you will write a report that will earn you credit towards your degree.

Final year

Required module
You are required to take the following module:

- Translations across Disciplines (15 credits)

You will continue to study your major and this will account for 60 credits, including a subject-based dissertation.

Optional modules
In addition, you will take 45 credits from a range of optional modules, usually from subjects you have studied in years one and two.

King’s College London reviews the modules offered on a regular basis to provide up-to-date, innovative and relevant programmes of study. Therefore, modules offered may change. We suggest you keep an eye on the course finder on our website for updates.

Location
You will study for the Liberal Arts BA at our Strand Campus, in the heart of London, offering easy access to the city’s museums, theatres and other cultural attractions. You will have access to the outstanding collections and research facilities in the Maughan and Senate House Libraries, as well as the educational, social and sporting opportunities provided by the College and the University of London.

Please note that locations are determined by where each module is taught and may vary depending on the optional modules you select.

Career prospects
A Liberal Arts BA opens up career opportunities in a wide range of fields, including government, journalism and law. It will also provide you with an ideal grounding for graduate work in the wide range of liberal arts subjects. King’s careers service offers an extensive programme of support to enhance your employability.

Fees and funding

Full time tuition fees UK
The UK tuition fees for the 2018-2019 academic year are available on the course web page: kcl.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/courses/liberal-arts-ba.aspx

Please note that the tuition fees, and the fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Full time tuition fees International
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All International applicants to undergraduate programmes are required to pay a deposit of £2,000 against their first year’s tuition fee. This deposit is payable when you firmly accept an unconditional offer to study with us and will be offset against your tuition fees when you join King’s. For further information, please visit the Fees and funding section of our website: kcl.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx
Additional costs/expenses
If you choose the study abroad option with one of King’s partner universities, you will not be charged tuition fees by the host university (although some partners do charge a small administration fee for applying). Please see the Study Abroad webpages for details of the relevant partner universities. King’s will continue to invoice for a proportion of King’s tuition fees. At present these are as follows:

- Home students studying for a semester abroad will receive an invoice for £6,000 for King’s tuition fees for the year.
- Overseas students studying for a semester abroad will receive an invoice for two thirds of the King’s tuition fees for the year.
- Home students studying or working for a full academic year abroad will receive an invoice for £1,350 for King’s tuition fees for the year.
- Overseas students studying or working for a full academic year abroad will receive an invoice for one third of the King’s tuition fees for the year.

You should also budget to pay for the associated subsistence costs, such as travel, visas, accommodation and food as well as any vaccination/immunisations required by the country to which you are travelling. In addition to the costs above, you can also expect to pay for:

- books if you choose to buy your own copies
- clothing for optional course related events and competitions
- library fees and fines
- personal photocopies
- printing course handouts
- society membership fees
- stationery
- graduation costs
- travel costs for travel around London and between campuses.

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