

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

1. Overall impression

The overall impression is very good. I can recommend to everyone to do their LLM at King's College London. You will meet many interesting people, experience a new teaching style, improve your English skills and spend so much time in an amazing and vibrant city.

2. Making preparations

(e.g. administrative matters, finding information)

Apart from the application process, I did not really prepare much. The only thing I did is watching videos on youtube about King's to get a first impression of the atmosphere at the uni. I also read the UZH study guides of previous students.

The website has basically all the information on it. Don't be surprised, the information on courses is only published relatively late (in comparison to UZH), but you will have enough time once classes started to figure it out.

3. Contacts/Responsibilities

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

The professors actually help you a lot if you approach them with questions you might have. Every student also gets a tutor.

Student Services

4. Housing / Finding accommodation

I lived in a private home with an English family.

5. Arrival

I arrived the Sunday before the introduction week. It would have been enough to arrive for the official LLM introduction day because that is when you actually meet your fellow students.

6. Telephone

(e.g. costs, carriers)

I used Voxi for £10 a month. I was pretty happy with the offer and got 6GB data and unlimited social media.

You will most likely need a bank account to get a SIM card.

7. Bank account

I used Revolut. It can easily be set up online and allows you to exchange money based on the interbank exchange rate.

Get your Student letter and make an appointment (you can do it online) as soon as you have arrived, as it usually takes a while to get an appointment and you need a bank account for example to get a phone contract etc.

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

I always took the plane.

There is student discount for the oyster card, you can order it online. However, note, it will only be issued once the academic year has started.

9. General information about the Partner Faculty and student life

You can choose your subjects from a pool of modules. Most of the courses are interactive and the professors attach a great importance to discussions. It was very helpful to me not only to have exams (take place at the end of the second term) but also to book a module with an essay that was due before the official exam period. You really do not have to worry about your student life. The students are very out-going and everyone is looking for new people to meet.

You will be well informed once you get here about anything you need to know. Don't hesitate to ask your professors if you have any organizational questions, they are usually very happy to help.

10. Teaching and studying at the Partner Faculty

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

You need to achieve 180 ECTS. The exams take place during May. However, you have the chance to book modules with essay that often need to be handed in before. The teaching style is discussion-driven what offers you the chance to get to know your fellow students.

The structure is very similar to Zurich. Note that you will usually only have quite few hours of lectures a week.

11. City

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

London is just an amazing city and has a lot to offer. The number of tourist attractions is endless. In London, you can find the best markets with fantastic street food and coffee. Shoreditch is an amazing and affordable place to go out. In short, London has so many nice places to discover! You can't be bored in this city, otherwise you're doing something wrong! ;-)

Make sure you go see some of the musicals and concerts they have to offer. You can download an app called Unidays for student offers and student reduction on anything ranging from food to clothes to tech equipment.

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