LONDON
GLOBAL GATEWAY

THE UNIVERSITY OF
NOTRE DAME
(USA) IN ENGLAND
The London Global Gateway, as the largest of Notre Dame’s international hubs, features two buildings in central London and hosts up to 500 students in nine academic programs.

The Gateway advances global scholarship by presenting nearly 100 conferences and events each year, while also supporting an impressive network of partnerships with universities, libraries, and organizations.

The University of Notre Dame (USA) in England invites visitors and groups to learn more about its events, amenities, and availability.
The University of Notre Dame’s tenure in London dates back to 1968 when it sent a group of law students to learn in this cosmopolitan city. Since then, thousands of students and scholars have followed, all drawn to London’s offerings and its position as a springboard to the rest of Europe. Today, the London Global Gateway is housed in Marian Kennedy Fischer Hall, a 19,000-square-foot building just off London’s bustling Trafalgar Square.

Students reside in Conway Hall, just a short walk across the River Thames in Waterloo. From this central locale, the rest of London, the UK, and Europe are easily accessible.
With its ideal location, charming features, and modern amenities, the Gateway provides a perfect space for students to learn, and is a fantastic venue for lectures, meetings, receptions, and events.

Through hosting groups of varying sizes, the Gateway is a partner in the community, a welcoming place where colleagues from around the world can comfortably convene, and where open-minded conversation can occur.

Dame Judi Dench gives the annual Notre Dame London Shakespeare Lecture in 2020.
London is its own classroom
The London study abroad program is no secret to Notre Dame students, with 500 typically studying at the Gateway each year. Undergraduates from the Colleges of Arts and Letters, Science, Engineering, and Business all come together to further their global education and take advantage of the wealth of opportunities that London provides them.

Students who are accepted to a semester-long or summer-session London program are invited to engage in an academically rich, culturally vibrant, and personally transformative experience.

Marian Kennedy Fischer Hall is where all students take classes and study in the library. It also houses administrative offices and event spaces and is located just off Trafalgar Square.

Conway Hall is the student residence located in Waterloo, a 20-minute walk across the Thames from Fischer Hall.
Courses offered to students across all Gateway programs take full advantage of London. Undergraduates each take a London Seminar class, ensuring meaningful academic engagement with their location, as well as giving them the opportunity to experience London’s wealth of libraries, archives, museums, and galleries. In addition to drawing local faculty from a number of world-class universities, many of the instructors also work in a wide range of preeminent organizations, connecting their students to London’s globalized professional world.
The Kennedy Scholars course is a distinctive feature of the Gateway’s offer: a special opportunity for exceptional third years in the College of Arts and Letters to develop independent research skills and ideas for their upcoming senior thesis. Through exploration of world-class collections and British locations, the Kennedy Scholars examine a range of research skills and methodologies, and are encouraged to look at their studies through a different lens.

Kennedy Scholars visit cultural heritage sites, such as the Jane Austen House, to undertake research.
The London Global Gateway boasts an impressive and ever-expanding internship program. During the semester, students have the opportunity to work within multinational organizations, start-ups, local businesses, Catholic schools, charities, and perhaps in the office of a Member of Parliament at Westminster. The opportunity is equally available to law students, who are placed in a variety of legal settings, including the US embassy, human rights organizations, and barristers’ offices.

As well as providing insight into a professional setting, these placements allow students to delve beneath the surface of London’s culture and connect with locals, supporting their formation as global citizens.
The Gateway aims to enhance the Catholic mission of Notre Dame in England, advancing its objective to be a global source for good. Through a range of conferences and symposia surrounding Catholic topics, the Gateway seeks to bring together individuals to deepen the conversation of the relevance and grace of the Catholic Church in the United Kingdom and the world. The Gateway positions itself as a welcoming, inclusive, and open-minded venue for such conversations.

Scholars, faculty, and students of every faith, and some of none, have a variety of faith-based educational and spiritual opportunities open to them through the Gateway, allowing them to build meaningful connections with local partners and substantially enhance their experience of studying abroad in London.
Faculty, scholars, and visitors to the Gateway can expect access to unique intellectual and cultural material thanks to a growing number of partnerships with esteemed libraries and archives. Visitors will also have access to the recently acquired G.K. Chesterton Collection.

Widely considered one of the greatest Catholic minds of the 20th century, Chesterton was a prolific writer, journalist, philosopher, lay theologian, and literary and art critic. The collection includes a vast array of his works, many of which are inscribed with his drawings and doodles, demonstrating his imaginative engagement with the material he was reading. The collection also includes a great deal of criticism, artwork, and works inspired by Chesterton. It is fitting that Notre Dame London Global Gateway is the home of this collection, as Chesterton had a special connection to the University of Notre Dame. In 1930, he went to South Bend, Indiana, to give a series of lectures at Notre Dame, and was awarded an honorary degree by Rev. Charles L. O'Donnell, C.S.C.

Opportunities for collaboration with other UK institutions and British colleagues are also available by request.
Notre Dame’s London Law Program was established in 1968 to provide students with opportunities to deepen their understanding of the roots of American law, explore international career opportunities, and broaden their perspectives. It is the oldest study abroad program run by an American law school and features the only full-year London option approved by the American Bar Association. There are also opportunities to study for a semester or summer term. All courses and instruction conform to the standards of the ABA and the Association of American Law Schools.

To learn more, visit law.nd.edu
The University of Notre Dame was founded in November 1842 by Rev. Edward F. Sorin, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross, a French missionary order. It is located adjacent to South Bend, Indiana, the center of a metropolitan area with a population of more than 300,000. Notre Dame has grown from the vision of Father Sorin, who sought to establish a great Catholic university in America, and has remained faithful to both its religious and intellectual traditions. One of America’s leading undergraduate teaching institutions, Notre Dame has been at the forefront in research and scholarship.
“Let no one ever again say that we dreamed too small.”

—Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C.
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