

Semester Program Study Abroad Credit and Grade Translation Memo

Program: London School of Economics & Political Science (London, England)

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When studying abroad, students should be aware that there are different credit and grading systems overseas that vary by program. The information contained in this memo is correct to the best of Emory College Study Abroad's knowledge as of the date posted above. This memo has been created using information provided by the study abroad program, in consultation with colleagues at other institutions utilizing the same study abroad program, and/or per guidelines or commonly used practices in the field of international education and education abroad. Students should also be aware that changes are possible at any time, and Emory College Study Abroad will notify students of any changes as soon as possible.

COURSE APPROVAL PROCESS

Students must obtain approval for ALL courses taken abroad and must consult with the appropriate departmental Faculty Study Abroad representative at Emory for course approvals that are **NOT** already blanket approved. Students should not take classes for which they cannot obtain approval. Once the overseas transcript arrives at the Education Abroad office, the transcript will not be processed until ALL of the approvals have been submitted.

Credit Translation

Students must take four full-unit year-long (or the equivalent in half-unit) courses at LSE. Full-unit courses typically transfer back to Emory as 8 credits per course, for a total of 32 credits for the academic year; however, the courses are typically listed as four courses for four credits per each semester.

Grade Translation

LSE submits an official transcript to Emory University with a LSE letter grade for the class grade and exam grade. Upon receipt of the official transcript, Emory will increase the class grade and the exam grade by an increment of one letter grade according to the following scale:

LSE	EMORY (translated)	
letter grade	letter grade	grade point
A-	A	4.0
B+	A-	3.7
B	B+	3.3
B-	B	3.0
C+	B-	2.7
C	C+	2.3
C-	C	2.0
D +	C -	1.7
D	D +	1.3
F	D	1.0

As the Emory system does not have A+, any such grades will be translated as A.

Emory will then determine the final grade for the class by using the new translated grades and calculating the class grade as 70% of the final grade and the exam grade as 30% of the final grade. The final grade for the course will then be determined according to the following scale:

Grade Point Range	Final Emory Grade
3.85 – 4.00	A
3.50 – 3.849	A-
3.15 – 3.499	B+
2.85 – 3.149	B
2.50 – 2.849	B-
2.15 – 2.499	C+
1.85 – 2.149	C
1.50 – 1.849	C-
1.15 – 1.499	D +
.5 – 1.149	D
0 - .49	F

This grade will then be recorded on the Emory transcript and will be factored into the GPA.