

**The London Institute  
of Banking & Finance**

# Parent, guardian, and carer guide

**2021**



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# Welcome



**This guide will provide you with the tools and information you need to guide your child through their decision making and application process.**

This is a crucial time for students as they choose their universities and start preparing for their future careers. With that in mind, we've gathered some key information to make you aware of the next steps and opportunities available. We hope that you find this guide useful and we look forward to welcoming our new students in September.

A handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Hema Tank".

**Hema Tank**  
Managing Director,  
Degree Programmes



# Fees and funding

One of the biggest concerns for most students and their parents is the cost of university. So, here's everything you need to know about fees and finance options.

## Tuition fees

**UK/ EU settled students:** £9,250 per annum

**International students:** £13,000 per annum

**Year in industry -** £1,200

For full details, visit: [libf.ac.uk/fees](http://libf.ac.uk/fees)

## Loans

A tuition fee loan can cover your child's tuition fees up to the amount of £9,250. Repayments only begin once they have left university and start earning more than a certain level of income. Visit: [slc.co.uk](http://slc.co.uk)

A student loan is offered by the government to cover student tuition fees and living costs. A maintenance loan is also available to help with their general living costs. For further details, visit: [gov.uk/studentfinance](http://gov.uk/studentfinance)

## Bursaries and scholarships

To further support our students, we have a number of bursaries and scholarships available including:

- CeFS and DipFS Scholarships
- Alumni Fund Scholarships
- Women in Finance Scholarships
- Mature Learners Scholarships
- Joint LIBF and ISH Scholarships
- Means Tested Bursary
- Asylum Seeker Bursary

All eligible students are automatically considered for our scholarships, except for the Joint LIBF ISH Scholarships where an application is required. For details and an application form, email: [hep@libf.ac.uk](mailto:hep@libf.ac.uk)

**For more information on the financial support that we offer students, visit:**  
[libf.ac.uk/fees-and-funding](http://libf.ac.uk/fees-and-funding)



**TEF Silver Award  
for teaching  
(June 2019)**

# Career support

Employability is at the heart of what we do, from our teaching, location, and societies to our networking events and careers support service - everything is designed to support our students' future career.

## Careers support team

Our careers and employability team are here to support students in achieving their career goals. They offer one-to-one coaching as well as a whole host of additional services including:

- CV and cover letter writing
- internship and graduate job search
- career development programmes
- mock interviews and assessments
- weekly job alerts

## Employer networking events

Our Careers & Employability events give students the exclusive opportunity to network with some of the world's leading banking and finance companies. In the last year, we have hosted guests including Starling Bank, Murano, Barclays, Amplify, Deloitte and Handelsbanken, HSBC and Lloyds Banking Group.

All offer holders can contact Nadim for any careers advice between now and September. Check our Offer Holder page for more details.

**100%** of our students are employed or enter further study within 6 months of graduating.

HESA results 2020

## Year in industry

Students can choose to participate in our Year in Industry Programme, which offers paid work placement within the banking and finance, or related business sector. Available in Year 3, the year in industry is an excellent way for students to build relevant skills and experience, improve self-confidence, and enhance their employability.

## Mentoring

All full-time students can take part in our mentoring scheme. Our student mentors are alumni that are already working in the financial services sector. They can offer support with study skills and time management, as well as advice on career development and securing employment.

## Support after graduation

When a student successfully graduates, they become an Associate Member of our professional body - providing them with support in finding graduate jobs, continued professional development and progression towards Chartered status.

# Extra-curricular activities

As well as an excellent way to socialise and make connections, extra-curricular activities can play a big part in enhancing students' learning and employability.

## Students' Union

We are affiliated with Student Central which connects students from 27 universities across London. Members gain access to sports clubs, special discounts, societies, social events and more. Visit: [studentcentral.london](http://studentcentral.london)

## Societies

As well as being fun, being part of a society can help students to further develop their learning and career prospects. We currently have 6 societies including:

- Enterprise Society
- Women in Finance Society
- Poker Society
- Politics Society
- Investment Society
- Code Society

## Special lectures

Our Prestige Lecture Series hosts leading voices in the financial services sector and are attended by industry professionals looking to develop in their career.

Over the next few months our admissions team, student ambassadors and academics will be running monthly webinars to give you insight into life at LIBF and answer any key questions that you may have. We will be in touch with dates for these webinars over the coming weeks.

You can also attend our upcoming webinars which are led by professionals, covering a range of topics.

A list of our upcoming events can be found at: [libf.ac.uk/events](http://libf.ac.uk/events)



“Our society brings together students with an entrepreneurial mindset to discuss and develop future business ideas. It’s great experience for us because we get to host events and work with other start ups.”

**Adella, President, Enterprise Society**

“The networking events are great because you get exposed to the people in the industry that could be your future employers.”

**Richard, student**

# Important dates

Date	Activity/event	Details
10 June 2021	UCAS deadline for replying to offers	Students must enter Firm and Insurance choices on UCAS Track.
31 May 2021	Apply for student accommodation	Due to high demand, we advise students to book accommodation as soon as possible. For assistance, contact <b>admissions@libf.ac.uk</b>
5 July 2021	Clearing opens	If students apply after 30 June, they will enter Clearing and must enter their Clearing choice on UCAS Track.
10 August 2021	Place confirmed (if your course grades are back at this stage)	Offer holders will receive an email confirming their place with us.
August-September 2021	Pre-enrolment	Students will receive an email with details on how to pre-enrol
13-16 September 2021	Welcome Week and full enrolment on campus	Students will receive an email with a timetable of events taking place during Welcome Week.
20 September 2021	Semester 1	Semester 1 ends 10 December 2021
10 December 2021	Winter break	Ends 7 January 2022
10 January 2022	Semester 2	Semester 2 ends 3 June 2022
4 April 2022	Easter break	Ends 22 April 2022. No teaching during this time but campus study facilities will still be available.
2 May 2022	Bank holiday	Campus closed
30 May 2022	Bank holiday	Campus closed

# FAQs

## Can you help with accommodation?

We will support students to find the perfect place to stay through our links with UNITE and International Student House. To find out what accommodation is available, visit [ish.org.uk](http://ish.org.uk) or [unitestudents.com](http://unitestudents.com).

## How much should my child budget for each month?

This varies, but we broadly estimate that students should allow £1,100 per month for all living expenses, including accommodation, food, travel, laundry, study costs and other personal expenses.

## Are there many part-time job opportunities for students in London?

Many of our current students work part time. We are located within the square mile - just a short journey from trendy Shoreditch and Dalston which provide a plethora of opportunities for students.

## How have you ensured your students don't suffer due to Covid-19?

With the situation constantly changing (often at short notice), we've moved to a blend of flexible learning which allows students to view their classes online or attend on campus when they can. We've also moved all assessments online and have a great e-library. This has meant that no matter how the government responds to the pandemic, our students know they can continue accessing everything they need. We've also increased our course content,

introduced bitesize learning activities to make the content more online friendly, and added extra layers of support for students who may be finding things difficult.

## How can I find out how my child is doing academically?

UK universities are not permitted to release information about academic progress and attendance without the student's consent. Students facing academic or personal issues can speak to their personal tutor or a member of support staff.

The highlight for me was the lecturers - learning from the people that have been where I want to be in the future. The transition into the working world was easy because I was so well prepared.

**Amir, graduate**

My university experience has been excellent. The teaching and academic support is great. I have made a lot of important connections with students and alumni that share the same aspirations as me.

**Richard, student**

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