



SOCIAL EVENTS

Your social events are planned and run by the LISS Social Assistants; Leeds students who have usually spent some time studying abroad. You'll find them living in your accommodation and they'll be an excellent source of support for you if you need any advice during your time in Leeds.

You'll be able to attend the LISS Welcome Reception and Farewell Party which are included in your programme fee. You can also join additional, low-cost evening and weekend social events.

Previous events have included:

KIRKSTALL ABBEY FESTIVAL

Enjoy music, food, stalls, dancing and more around the ruins of the stunning Kirkstall Abbey, a medieval Cistercian abbey on the banks of the River Aire.

ILKLEY BY TRAIN

Visit Ilkley – a spa town in West Yorkshire, surrounded by traditional Yorkshire countryside. Betty's, the famous Yorkshire tea room, has a café and shop in the town. You can also walk from the town centre up to Ilkley Moor and see the famous 'Cow and Calf' rocks.

BRIT QUIZ

Test out your knowledge of all things British at a traditional British pub quiz. Prizes up for grabs for the teams who come first, second and third.

FILM NIGHT

Catch a film at the Hyde Park Picture House, a historic cinema that celebrated its 100th birthday in 2014. After the film explore Hyde Park, a thriving student community with cafés and pubs, and even an ice cream parlour.

PICNIC AND GAMES IN THE PARK

Come along to meet up with your fellow summer school students and the LISS Social Assistants for a traditional British picnic, or to play some informal games in the nearby park.



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LEEDS INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

A guide to your excursions,
field trips and social events.



EXCURSIONS

Every week there is at least one excursion you can go on.

You'll see more of the UK and learn all about British culture. All trips and excursions are included in your programme fee, so you don't need to worry about paying for these when you arrive in Leeds.

These are just some of the LISS excursions:

YORK

Visit the historic city of York – one of the most beautiful cities in the UK. It is renowned for its Roman, Viking, and Medieval heritage, old cobbled streets and many visitor attractions.

Top 3 things to do in York

1. Visit York Minster – check out the impressive Cathedral in the centre of York
2. Walk the City walls that surround the original parts of the city
3. Discover 300 years of history that changed the world in the UK's largest railway museum – the National Railway Museum.

HAREWOOD HOUSE

Visit Harewood House – a country house near Leeds. It was built between 1759 and 1771 and was the home of Mary, Princess Royal.

Main attractions

- Take a guided tour of the House and discover the state rooms and exquisite artwork
- Explore the servants' quarter in the below stairs areas
- Take a stroll around the extensive gardens and see birds from around the world in the bird garden.



WHITBY

A trip to Whitby is a great day out. It's a popular seaside holiday town on the Yorkshire Coast rich in history and well-known for the 199 steps that lead up to the parish church of St. Mary and the ruins of Whitby Abbey. See the churchyard that inspired Bram Stoker to write his world famous book, Dracula.

Top 3 things to do in Whitby

1. Climb the 199 steps to the Abbey
2. Enjoy the coastal views during a walk along the beach
3. Eat fish and chips for lunch.

YORKSHIRE DALES

If you love the outdoors you will be impressed by the Yorkshire Dales National Park, a specially designated area of outstanding natural beauty. Visit Grassington – a picturesque market town in the heart of the Dales – and Bolton Abbey, a small village. Bolton Abbey overlooks the River Wharfe and is home to the 12th Century ruined Bolton Priory.



FIELD TRIPS

Put your learning into context by attending a field trip. You'll take part in at least one compulsory field trip for each academic module you study. Previous trips have included:

Liverpool – building Britain, 1700–1840: industrial 'revolution' or 'evolution'?

- A visit to the International Slavery Museum.
- Learn about the Albert Dock, historically a very important port entrance into Britain.

Hainsworth – business and cultural awareness: bridging the gap

- Visit one of the oldest companies in Yorkshire and the UK.
- Get an insight into the unique history, ethos and vision of the company, which has produced fabrics for Royal weddings.



Castle Howard – the English country house: a social history

- Visit the magnificent 18th century residence and take a guided tour of the house.
- Explore the house's gardens, lakes and woodland.

Climbing in Yorkshire – sport in the UK: health and performance issues

- Discover the Yorkshire heritage area of Brimham Rocks.
- Develop your outdoor climbing and abseiling skills.

Haworth and Brontë parsonage – British literature and the Brontës

- Visit the Brontë Parsonage museum.
- Take a tour of Haworth and go for a short walk on the moors.

Company tour – entrepreneurship and society: ideas, opportunities and value creation

- Visit a range of business enterprises in different locations across Leeds and Yorkshire.
- Meet real entrepreneurs, find out how they set up their businesses and why they were successful.



Pendle Hill – heretics, witches and conspirators: a history of fear, 1500–1700

- Have a guided tour of the Pendle Heritage Centre.
- Walk from the village of Barley with views of Pendle Hill, where the Pendle witches lived.

BBC MediaCityUK tour – introduction to special effects in film making

- Take a tour of the BBC, home to programmes including favourites such as Match of the Day, A Question of Sport, Mastermind, BBC Breakfast, Radio 5 live, BBC Sport and the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra.
- Visit TV and radio studios and try out your broadcasting skills.



Drax Power Station – renewable energy futures: policy and technology

- Take a tour of Drax Power Station which has six boilers, each as high as a 15-storey office block, a main chimney taller than the London Eye, and over 1,800 miles of steel tubing, enough to stretch from John O'Groats to Land's End and back again.
- Explore how electricity is generated at Drax and find out how they are upgrading to the latest biomass technology.

National Science and Media Museum – music in film

- Look around the museum that is home to over 3.5 million items of historical significance.
- Visit eight floors of interactive galleries about film, photography, animation and new media.

Ripon Law and Order Museum – exploring the law: crime, contracts and legal skills

- Visit the three sites of the museum: the Liberty Courthouse, Prison and Victorian Workhouse.
- Learn about the history of policing, and take part in a trial re-enactment.