



HARLAXTON Experience



Mid-July—Mid-August, 2021

Honors: ENG 200: Introduction to Literature (3 Hrs) A literature-immersion study abroad program during summer 2021 for Gatton Academy Class of 2022 students

Expense

Cost is estimated at \$4,700—\$5,200, roundtrip airfare from Louisville, all lodging, half meals, all ground transportation, all site visits, and tuition inclusive. Any student who has not previously used their one-time \$1,000 Gatton Academy Study Abroad Scholarship will only pay an estimated \$3,700—\$4,200.

Itinerary

The precise itinerary for the Summer 2021 program will be finalized later, but the below schedule models what to expect. On average, half of the days are spent in the field for site visits and half of the days are more restful class days at our London base or at Harlaxton Manor.

Day 1 Travel

Depart the USA, flying overnight to London, England.

Day 2 London arrival

Arrive in London and transported by chartered coach to London base. The group will have free time to get to know London in the afternoon, with dinner served at the hall, an orientation after dinner, a first class, and a film screening.

Day 3 Class day in London

Class 9 AM—Noon, studying Jane Austen's *Persuasion* and Romantic poet John Keats. Spend the afternoon with group free time exploring London.

Day 4 Field trip to Chawton and Winchester

All-day field trip to Chawton and Winchester by coach to visit Jane Austen's home, the Winchester Cathedral and Jane Austen's grave, and to walk the riverside Keats' Walk. From there, the group heads to mysterious Stonehenge. Return to London with group free time in London through the evening.

Day 5 Class day in London

Class 9 AM—Noon, continue studying Jane Austen and dive into exploring place in writing. Afternoon and evening group free time to explore London.

Day 6 Field trip to Bath

Travel by coach to Bath, take a Jane Austen walk and then tour the Roman Baths. The group returns to London by early evening for group free time.

Day 7 Class day in London

Class 9 AM—Noon, class takes a local field trip to the British Library for a literary scavenger hunt and the Wellcome Center for a science pedagogy assignment. In the afternoon, students have the opportunity to go on a Gatton-specific college tour at the Royal Veterinary School in London. The rest of the afternoon and evening is group free time in London.

Day 8 Field trip to Neasden Temple and Harry Potter Studio Tour

Spend the morning at Britain's largest Hindu Temple as our study of the novel *Gifted* takes on greater meaning. After a midday picnic, we head to north London for the Harry Potter Studio Tour. The group returns to Central London by dinner for group free time through the evening.

Day 9 Class day in London; Field trip to Globe Theatre Class 9 AM—Noon, studying William Shakespeare.

Afternoon group free time to explore London.

Evening field trip to the Globe Theatre for seated tickets to see a Shakespearean play.

Day 10 Depart London for the Lake District

Depart our London base, traveling to the Lake District by train. Visit Rydal Mount and Dove Cottage, former homes of the poet Wordsworth.

Day 11 Boating, Hiking, and Touring the Lake District Take a boat ride to Ferry House and Hill Top, home of Beatrix Potter. The afternoon is at leisure to hike and boat.

Day 12 Depart Lake District for Harlaxton Manor

Travel to Harlaxton Manor on a chartered coach. Upon arrival, students will get an orientation, get settled, have a house tour, and then have free time to explore the manor.

Day 13 Class day at Harlaxton; Play at Tolethorpe Hall Class 9 AM—Noon, studying Emily Brontë's *Wuthering Heights*. After lunch, students are free to exploreHarlaxton's extensive gardens, to try to find the Manor's hidden staircases, or to bicycle along the canals.

Day 14 Field trip to Brontë Country

Travel by coach and then vintage steam train to Haworth, visit the Brontë Parsonage, and spend the afternoon on the moors hiking to the Brontë Falls, Top Withens, and Ponden Hall. Visit Halifax for dinner. Return to Harlaxton late.

Day 15 Class day at Harlaxton; Play at Tolethorpe Hall Class 1 PM—4 PM, After a relaxing morning off, eat lunch and report to class to discuss a Shakespeare play. At the end of class, depart on a picnic field trip to nearby Tolethorpe Hall to see the Stamford Shakespeare Company stage the Shakespearean play in an outdoor amphitheater.

Day 16 Field trip to York

Travel by coach to Yorkshire to visit Kentucky-based software company Carlson Software's UK headquarter. Then, spend the afternoon and evening in the medieval walled city of York. Return to Harlaxton late

Day 17 Class day at Harlaxton

Class 9 AM—Noon, discussing poetry and Shakespeare. Afternoon and evening free time.

Day 18 Field trip to Stratford-upon-Avon

Travel by coach to Stratford-upon-Avon to Anne Hathaway's cottage (Shakespeare's wife), Holy Trinity Church (Shakespeare's burial site), and Shakespeare's birthplace. Dinner in town and return to Harlaxton in the evening.

Day 19 Class day at Harlaxton

Class 9 AM—Noon, studying Romantic poet Lord Byron. Afternoon and evening free time to explore the Manor.

Day 20 Field trip to Newstead Abbey, Nottinghamshire Class 9 AM—Noon, Travel by coach to Nottingham, visiting Lord Byron's Newstead Abbey. Return to Harlaxton in the mid-afternoon for free time.

Day 21 Class day at Harlaxton

Class 9 AM—Noon, discussing poetry. Afternoon and evening free time.

Day 22 Final exam day at Harlaxton

Morning final exam with free time following.

Day 23 Travel

Return to the USA.