



**DEMOCRATIC ENGAGEMENT
IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT**

UNIVERSITY OF
WESTMINSTER

International Summer School 2025



LONDON



United Kingdom

4–11 May 2025



Arrival Day

Sunday, 4 May 2025

Welcome to London!

- **Vietnamese Students:** Arrival via **Emirates Airlines** at 12:35 AM at **Gatwick Airport**.
- **Thai Students:** Arrival via **Thai Airways Flight TG 910**, landing at 07:15 AM at **Heathrow Airport**.

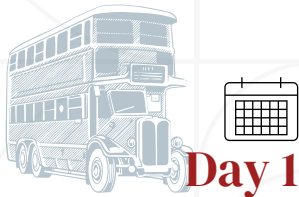
Accommodation:

Students should check in at the **International Students House**, located behind **Great Portland Street Metro (underground) Station** in London NW1.

International Students House is located in the centre of London and is a 10-minute walk from the University of Westminster.

Note:

Upon arrival, students are encouraged to rest, adjust to the new time zone, and attend an informal orientation supported by DEN volunteers.



Day 1

Monday, 5 May 2025

Discovering the University and Central London

- **11:00 AM:** Meet at the International Students House.
- **Campus Walk:** Guided tour around the Regent Street Campus and key locations on Oxford Street.
- **Lunch and Coffee:** Group meal in London's vibrant Chinatown.
- **Afternoon Social Activities:** Informal activities and interactions with University of Westminster students to foster early cross-cultural friendships.



Day 2

Tuesday, 6 May 2025

Academic Engagement and Reflection

- **9:30 AM:** Assemble at **Portland Hall**, Little Titchfield Street Campus.
- **Event Participation:** Attend the **Victory Over Japan (VJ) Day Commemoration Conference**, focusing on democracy, peacebuilding, and historical memory.



Day 3

Wednesday, 7 May 2025

Exploring Westminster and the City of London

- **10:30 AM:** University tour led by **DEN students**.
Location: Regent Street Campus, Room UG04.
- **11:00 AM: Introductory Session:**
Brief overview of Westminster's academic and cultural history.
- **Lunch Break:** Group lunch nearby.
- **1:00 PM onwards: Field Trip** to the City of London and East End areas, highlighting:
 - The Monument
 - Bank of England
 - Tower Bridge
 - Spitalfields and Brick Lane

Free Time after 4:30 PM for students to explore independently.



Day 4

Thursday, 8 May 2025

Cultural Immersion and Exploration

- A **flexible day** dedicated to discovering London's rich cultural, historical, and artistic heritage.
- Activities and site visits will be **informally organised** by DEN students, including optional visits to:
 - British Museum
 - South Bank and River Thames Walk
 - Covent Garden and Soho



Day 5

Friday, 9 May 2025

Eighth DEN International Student Conference

- **9:30 AM:** Meet at **Portland Hall**.
- Students will actively participate in:
 - Academic presentations
 - Panel discussions
 - Networking sessions with peers and academics

Certificates of Participation will be issued to students who attend and contribute to the conference.



Weekend

Saturday and Sunday,
10–11 May 2025

Free Exploration and Social Activities

- Students are encouraged to visit:
 - Museums (Tate Modern, Natural History Museum)
 - Historical sites (Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace)
 - Cultural markets (Camden, Borough Market)
- **Optional Group Activities** coordinated by DEN volunteers.

Activities will provide students with a deeper appreciation of London's multicultural identity.

Final Reflections

The **DEN Summer School 2025** offers a dynamic blend of academic enrichment, intercultural dialogue, and global citizenship. Students are encouraged to fully engage, support one another, and embrace the opportunity to **build international friendships** and **enhance their understanding of democracy, sustainability, and leadership**.

We look forward to a week of learning, collaboration, and inspiration.



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