**Alternative Courses List 2022/23 – General**

Looking to study something new during your semester abroad, but not sure where to look? These are some courses you may not have considered, that our visiting students have enjoyed taking in the past. Bear in mind there are also other interesting courses in the College of Science & Engineering, which are not included in this list.

Use the [Course Finder](https://www.ed.ac.uk/global/study-abroad/course) to review course descriptions, and submit any course change requests via the [online Course Change Request form](https://www.ed.ac.uk/arts-humanities-soc-sci/international-and-study-abroad/visiting-student-office/prepare-for-your-study/enrol-on-courses/course-changes) to the CAHSS Visiting Student Office. Remember that pre-requisites apply to some courses, and entry cannot be guaranteed to any specific course.  
  
**Semester 1**

**African Studies**

International Development, Aid and Humanitarianism (AFRI08001) – 2nd year

**Asian Studies**

Modern China in Literature and Film A (ASST08055) – 1st year

Modern East Asian History A (ASST08042) – 1st year

**Celtic Studies**

Introduction to Gaelic Language and Culture (CELT08017) – 1st year  
Heroes, Wonders, Saints and Sagas: Medieval Celtic Literature in Translation (CELT08022) – 2nd year

The Heroic Ballads of Gaelic Scotland (CELT10021) – 3rd year (requires Scottish Gaelic background)

**Centre for Open Learning**

British Sign Language Stage 1 (LLLO07003) – 1st year

English for International Business Communication (LLLG07137) – 1st year (students must be speakers of English as a Second Language, at CEFR level B2 or C1).

Swahili Language Stage 1 (LLLO07001) – 1st year

**Divinity**

Jews and Muslims: Religions, Cultures, Histories (DIVI08022) – 1st year

The Hebrew Bible and Contemporary Issues (DIVI10057) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Jesus in Film (DIVI10055) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Food in Christian Religion (DIVI10034) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Buddhist Literature (DIVI10008) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

**Edinburgh College of Art**

Introduction to Body Studies (DESI08151) – 2nd year

What’s Up Doc? Introducing Animation Studies (DESI08088) – 2nd year

Design for Ageing (DESI10134)– 3rd year

**Edinburgh Futures Institute**

Creating Edinburgh: The Interdisciplinary City (EFIE08002) – 1st year

Currents: Understanding and addressing global challenges (EFIE08001) – 1st year

**Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies**

Arabic 1a (IMES08026) – 1st year

Islamic and Middle Eastern Cultures (IMES08051) – 1st year

Modern Middle Eastern History A: Domestic Transformation and International Challenges (IMES08036) – 1st year

Islamic History A: The Formation of the Islamic World (IMES08033) – 1st year

**Nursing Studies**

Evidence and Enquiry: Research (NUST08026) – 2nd year

**Psychology**

Current Psychology 1 (PSYL10173) – 3rd year

**Science, Technology and Innovation Studies (STIS)**

Investigating Science in Society (STIS08008) – 1st year  
The Internet and Society (STIS10001) – 3rd year (requires Social Sciences/Politics background)

**Scottish Ethnology**

Material Culture in Scotland (SCET10031) – 3rd year (requires Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences background)

**Social Anthropology**

Social life and climate change (SCAN08016) – 2nd year

**Social Policy**

Social Policy and Society (SCPL08004) – 1st year  
Comparative Social Policy: Global Perspectives (SCPL08014) – 2nd year (relevant background required)

**Sociology**

Sociology 1A: The Sociological Imagination: Individuals and Society (SCIL08004) – 1st year

Sustainable Development 1a: Introducing Sustainable Development (SCIL08008) – 1st year

Understanding Gender in the Contemporary World (SSPS08012) – 1st year

Designing and Doing Social Research (SCIL10062) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

**South Asian Studies**

South Asia: Culture, Politics and the Economy (SAST10001) – 3rd year (requires Social Science background)

**Semester 2**

**African Studies**

Africa in the Contemporary World (AFRI08008) – 2nd year

Contemporary Issues in International Development (AFRI10004) - 3rd year (requires relevant background)

**Asian Studies**

Introduction to Japanese Literature (ASST08053) – 1st year

Modern China in Literature and Film B (ASST08054) – 1st year

Modern East Asian History B (ASST08043) – 1st year

Society and culture in pre-modern East Asia (ASST08052) – 2nd year

**Celtic Studies**

Celtic Civilisation 1B (CELT08015) – 1st year

Introduction to Gaelic Language and Culture (CELT08017) – 1st year

Songs, Swords, Rebels and Revivals: Modern Celtic Literature in Translation (CELT08023) – 2nd year

Medieval Welsh Literature (CELT10008) – 3rd year

The Isle of Man: Language, Culture and History (CELT10032) – 4th year (requires Course Organiser permission)

**Centre for Open Learning**

British Sign Language Stage 1 (LLLO07003) – 1st year

English for International Business Communication (LLLG07137) – 1st year (students must be speakers of English as a Second Language, at CEFR level B2 or C1).

Swahili Language Stage 1 (LLLO07001) – 1st year

**Classical Literature in Translation**

Classical Literature 2: Greek and Roman Epic (CLTR08008) – 2nd year

**Divinity**

Buddhism in Global Contexts (DIVI08004) – 1st year

Introducing Biblical Hebrew (DIVI08005) – 1st year

Religion in Modern Britain (DIVI08019) – 1st year

The Bible in Literature (DIVI08003) – 1st year

Christianity in Africa to 1500 (DIVI10010) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Religion and the Climate Crisis (DIVI10004) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Women and Gender in the New Testament World (DIVI10056) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

Scottish Literature and the Religious Imagination (DIVI10046) – 3rd year (requires relevant background)

**Edinburgh College of Art**

Contemporary Cinema (DESI08010) – 2nd year

Introduction to Queer Studies (DESI08141) – 2nd year

**Edinburgh Futures Institute**

Students as Change Agents (EFIE08003) – 1st year

**Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies**

Introduction to Islam (IMES08050) – 2nd year

**Nursing Studies**

Healthy Communities: Society, Culture and Health 2 (NUST08024) – 2nd year

Innovations in Healthcare: Society, Culture and Health 2 (NUST08025) – 2nd year

**Psychology**

Current Psychology 2 (PSYL10172) – 3rd year

**Russian Studies**

The Golden Age of Russian Literature (ELCR08011) – 2nd year

Transnational Russian Culture (ELCR08010) – 2nd year

Utopia and Dystopia in 20th-century Russian Literature (ELCR08012) – 2nd year

**Scottish Ethnology**

Traditional Drama (SCET10013) – 3rd year (requires Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences background)  
Traditional Song - Scots (SCET10036) – 4th year (requires Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences background)  
Museums and Cultural Representation: Nine Conversations at the National Museum of Scotland (SCET10038) – 4th year (requires Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences background)

**Science, Technology and Innovation Studies**

History of Science 1 (STIS08005) – 1st year

**Social Anthropology**

Empires (SCAN08010) – 2nd year

Digital Global Development (SCAN10092) – 3rd year (requires Anthropology background)

Ethnographies of the United States (SCAN10086) – 3rd year (requires Anthropology background)

Social Development (SCAN10044) – 3rd year (requires Anthropology background)

**Social Policy**

Politics of the Welfare State (SCPL08005) – 1st year

Evidence, Politics and Policy (SCPL08010) – 2nd year

**Sociology**

Sociology 1B: The Sociological Imagination: Private Troubles, Public Problems (SCIL08005) – 1st year

Diversities: Canada and Beyond (SCIL10096) – 3rd year (requires Social Sciences background)

Migration: Social Origins and Social Consequences (SCIL10068) – 3rd year (requires Social Sciences background)

**South Asian Studies**

South Asia in the World (SAST08003) – 1st year