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MSc Health Policy, Planning and Financing

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Dear Student,

On behalf of the two schools, a very warm welcome to the MSc in Health Policy, Planning and Financing!

The course will begin at **11am on Monday 24th September** with a welcome and introductory session to the MSc, which will be held at the **London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street**. On this day, you will meet the Programme Directors who will explain the structure of the course, your choices and opportunities. Please make sure to attend this first day – there will be some very important information about the course.

During the following days, you will receive more information about the two schools, the modules on offer and have a chance to talk with the Programme Directors further.

You will also need to formally register at both LSE and LSHTM to obtain access to all resources of *both* schools. LSE Registration will take place between 13.00 and 13.30 on **Wednesday 26th September** on the ground floor, Clement House – further details will be provided on the LSE Department of Health Policy webpages over the summer period and confirmed to you at the MSc Introductory Session on Monday 24th September. Registration at LSHTM will be on Monday 24th September 10:00 to 10:30 in the Keppel Street Library.

Module teaching at both schools commences on Monday 1st October.

You will find it helpful to read the “Pre-Course Materials” document prior to the start of the course which lists the main teaching units available to HPPF students in the first term. However, some additional courses are also available to HPPF students.

The LSHTM International Students Welcome will take place on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st September and will provide an opportunity to meet fellow students, find out about life at the School and in London, and other practical matters such as UK healthcare and bank accounts. The event is aimed at international students, but UK students are also welcome to attend.

In preparation for arrival we recommend that you review details of the modules on offer as **we will need to start making your module choices at the end of the orientation week (28th September)**. Details of LSE and LSHTM modules can be found at:

www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/courses/masters-degrees/module-specifications

www.lse.ac.uk/resources/calendar2018-2019/programmeRegulations/taughtMasters/collaborativeProgrammes/2018/LSE-LSHTMMScHealthPolicy,PlanningAndFinancing.htm

If you have any concerns or questions between now and the start of the MSc, particularly in relation to the LSE, please do not hesitate to contact Muheez Busari (MSc Programmes Manager, Health Policy Department). His contact details are as follows: Tel: **+44 (0) 20 7955 6574** Email: healthpolicy@lse.ac.uk. Similarly, if you have any queries particularly in relation to LSHTM please do not hesitate to contact Rodrigo Zanetti (Course Administrator) at the School. His details are: Tel: **+44 (0) 207 958 8220** Email: rodrigo.zanetti@lshtm.ac.uk

If you believe you may have problems arriving in London in time for orientation week it is essential that you contact Rodrigo Zanetti to let him know.

We would also like to draw your attention to the New Arrivals pages on the LSE website which will be updated with a wide variety of useful information over the coming months. These are available at:

www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/students/yourFirstWeeks/orientation/home.aspx

We look forward to meeting you on the Monday 24th September and we hope that you will find the course stimulating and enjoyable. Please feel free to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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