

301 2008 LONDON-NORMANDY-PARIS-OXFORD-WINDSOR

Honor the Past – Transform the Future

Are you ready? You remember 201 – nonstop days packed with inspiration, eye-opening information, amazing speakers, and SLU exclusives? You are about to experience leadership on a new level as SLU 301 takes you into history and around the globe. Be prepared for absolute transformation and a new motivation for the future. We'll show you a worldview up close and personal with unique SLU experiences that you will never forget!

July 20, 2008: DEPARTURE DAY

LUGGAGE TAGS: Please put your luggage tag (mailed to you by SLU) on your suitcase if you want to see it at the London hotel.

NAME TAGS: Please put on your name badge at the JFK airport so we can locate you for the international boarding. Once on board the plane, you can remove it, but it must be worn when you deplane in London.

AIRLINE FLIGHTS: SLU will depart JFK as a group, but it will be your responsibility to pick up your luggage in JFK, find your way to the connecting International flight and to recheck your luggage. You can contact an SLU rep if you need assistance, but we will not meet you at your gate. Ask lots of questions and you will find your way to the correct train to take to the departing airline. You need at least 3 hours in NY so that you are not rushed both ways Please note your airline info as posted on your web page. There are two airlines and several flights being used so do not depend on someone else's information.

July 21, 2008 – Casual and comfortable clothes

Upon arrival into London, put on your name badge, go through customs, and claim your luggage. If your luggage is lost, pass the message on to another SLU attendee so that we can be informed. Proceed to the lost luggage and fill out forms with the London hotel information. Do not give the Paris info.

Meet SLU staff at the Arrivals Hall of Heathrow airport* where they will be holding an SLU sign. If you are traveling on your own to London and not with the SLU group, you will need to meet at Heathrow no later than 7:00 am. You will receive your syllabus with a schedule. Immediately, remove your overnight bag for Paris at this time or consider bringing it on the plane with you. We board our 8 buses (look for your bus number on your SLU badge). Each of the buses has a unique schedule.

*For the group flying to the Stanstead Airport, a SLU staff member will be waiting to meet you with a sign as well and escort you to your bus.

HERE WE GO! Time permitting; we are on our way to *Stonehenge*, an SLU 301 first! Then we will lunch together for our "Welcome to Europe" orientation before boarding our ship for a trip across the English Channel – amazing! Dinner onboard.

Arrive at Caen, France and board the SLU buses to one of 4 different Normandy hotels for the evening.

July 22, 2008 – Casual and comfortable clothes, walking shoes

Today is the all-time fav for SLU alum: A full day at Normandy. Normandy Cemetery and SLU wreath laying ceremony; Point du Hoc with historian Will Cavanaugh; and a picnic lunch on Omaha Beach. A day you will never forget.

Board our buses for a drive to Paris.

July 23, 2008 – Casual dress/ hot weather, walking shoes

We have an early rise for breakfast before heading out for a full day of Paris touring. The 8 buses are split in groups of 2 for travel to: Eiffel Tower, Louvre, Notre Dame, Rodin's Gardens and more. A typical SLU 301 day – we don't waste time! We make our way to the Eurostar station to catch the "Chunnel" train under the sea to London. Overnight at Renaissance Heathrow, our hotel for the remainder of the trip.

July 24, 2008 – Casual dress for morning; dressy for dinner

After a morning breakfast SLU session, we make our way to Windsor Castle, one of the homes of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. This is one spectacular castle with manicured grounds and surrounded by a charming town. Lunch, shopping, and free time to follow before we head back to the hotel.

Tonight's dinner at the hotel requires a coat and tie, church type dress or slacks for the ladies. We have some special surprise guests – watch the web site for more info on our upcoming 301 speakers.

July 25, 2008 and July 26, 2008 Casual dress and walking shoes – jeans OK

There is so much to see in London: Just a few of the sites we will see (as time permits)

Tower of London, Tower Bridge, British Museum, Cabinet War Rooms and the Churchill Museum, Westminster Abbey, the Prime Meridian, Hard Rock London, British Library, Piccadilly Circus, Buckingham Palace, the Thames River, and more.....

July 27, 2008 – Casual dress

A day at Oxford, the city of prophets, poets, and politicians: Explore the places where history greets C S Lewis; Margaret Thatcher, Tony Blair; John Wesley, Tolkien, Lewis Carroll, and others studied. Lunch at the historic Town Hall for an SLU exclusive session.

July 28, 2008 – Depart for USA

You will be given you assigned time to board buses for the airport. When you arrive at the airport, get a boarding pass, go through security, and proceed immediately to the boarding area. Keep a close watch on the monitor as the British airports sometimes do not post the departure gate until a few minutes before and it can take as much as 15 minutes to walk to the gates. You are on your own if you miss this flight because we will have you at the airport in plenty of time. Once you arrive in New York, go through customs, claim your luggage, and walk out to the area to recheck your luggage for the final flight home. Again, go immediately to the train and then proceed to your flight boarding area. Allow a minimum of 2 hours for this process in NY.

HOTEL INFORMATION:

NORMANDY: We will be in four different hotels while in Normandy. Once your balance is paid in full, we will communicate which hotel you will be staying at.

- Mercure Cabourg
- Mercure Caen
- Novotel Caen
- Novotel Bayeux

PARIS: Everyone will stay at the **Novotel Eiffel Tower**, 61 quai de Grenelle, 75015 PARIS FRANCE **Tel :** (+33)1/40582000
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LONDON: **Heathrow Renaissance Hotel** – Bath Road, Hounslow, England TW6 2AQ, United Kingdom
Phone: (44) 208 8976363 **Fax** (44) 208 8971114

NOTE: All schedules are subject to change should SLU deem it necessary to do so. Blessed are the flexible.

WHAT TO READ IN PREPARATION: Once we get closer to the trip date, you'll be emailed a copy of the syllabus with more info than you can imagine. To supplement, check out anything you can get on Churchill, John Wesley and the Holy Club, C S Lewis, King Henry VIII (Windsor Castle, Tower of London), Oxford University grads such as Margaret Thatcher and others, WWII (check the SLU store for a basic who's who of WWII), the treasures of the British Museum (Elgin marbles, Egyptian mummies), British Library (Magna Carta), bios on C S Lewis and Tolkien. Check local libraries and the net.

FLIGHT INFO: Go to www.aa.com or www.virgin-atlantic.com to check for your flight departures and arrivals times as these are subject to change. Once your register, you will be assigned a personal web page with all flight, hotel, payment info.

MONIES: You need about \$50 for meals on your own. You can get GBP (British pounds and Euros at a local American Express office in the U.S., at your local bank, at the NY airport, upon arrival in London (time permitting), or on the ferry to France. We suggest that you bring a minimum of 20 euros and 30 GBP with you. You will need to buy lunch at the Louvre (approx 8 to 10 Euros); a meal at Oxford and at Windsor (3 to 10 GBP depending on where you choose to eat).

CLOTHING: Because our days vary from churches to castles to sites outdoor, we request no shorts or foam flip-flops whatsoever. Please don't try to slip by because we can't wait while you are sent back to your room to change. You will simply be left behind at the hotel on your own instead. If you have a doubt, leave them home and bring something else. Jeans are OK; capris are great. Think layers for London as weather varies; a light jacket is good, umbrella is smart, walking shoes essential. See daily itinerary for other clothing info.

PICKPOCKETS are rampant at the Paris train station and a problem throughout Paris. Never leave a bag, even for a moment. Never put a passport or wallet in a back pocket. Never have an exposed zipper on a bag. Zipper should be facing your body or under your arm at all times. If you follow these directions and stay in groups, you should not be a target.

Still have questions? Email diane@studentleadership.net