

England 2026 Gatton Academy Study Abroad Application

Deadline: 3:30 pm Central, Friday, September 19th , 2025

Turn in application in person to Melanie Redden, Gatton Academy office, Florence Schneider Hall 107

Student Section

Student Full Name _____ Preferred First Name _____ Gender Identity _____

Date of Birth _____ WKU ID # _____ Home Phone (____) _____ - _____ Cell (____) _____ - _____

Do you have a valid passport? ____ Yes (please email a digital copy to gatton.academics@wku.edu) ____ No ____ I have applied (If so, when? _____)

I understand that English 100 is a pre-requisite for the program. I also understand that I should not enroll in English 200 for the fall or spring semester of my junior year because that is what is taught on this program.

_____(Student signature)

Parent/Guardian Section

Every parent/legal guardian who shares custody of a student must sign this page of the application understanding that the student is applying to go on a study abroad program to England in Summer 2026 with The Gatton Academy.

By signing this document, parents/legal guardians acknowledge their permission to let their student travel on the program and acknowledge understanding that students must be eligible to return to The Gatton Academy in the fall semester 2026 to travel.

Parent/Guardian 1. Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Cell Phone (____) _____ - _____ Home Phone (____) _____ - _____ Work Phone (____) _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian 2. (as applicable) Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Cell Phone (____) _____ - _____ Home Phone (____) _____ - _____ Work Phone (____) _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian 3. (as applicable) Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Cell Phone (____) _____ - _____ Home Phone (____) _____ - _____ Work Phone (____) _____ - _____

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Estimated program cost of \$6,300* includes:

- Roundtrip airfare from Louisville
- Room accommodations in all locations
- About 80% of the meals while in the United Kingdom
- Admission to the historic sites, museums, and theatre visits listed in the final itinerary
- Basic international health insurance
- Travel by chartered coach or train for all excursions
- Unlimited, multi-day zones 1 and 2 travel card for London
- Tuition for ENG 200-Honors: Introduction to Literature (3 hrs)
- All WKU Study Abroad and Global Learning student fees

*Students who have not previously used their Gatton Academy Study Abroad Scholarship of \$1,000 as of Summer 2026 will have their program cost lowered to an estimated \$5,300.

Selected students will pay the program and application fees via TopNet or to the WKU Bursar's Office, Potter Hall 2nd floor by a to-be-determined billing deadline in the second half of the spring semester. **After May 1st, any student selected for the program who forfeits their spot will be financially responsible for the cost of the program, unless another student is able to take their spot.**

Application Process:

- All applications must be submitted in The Gatton Academy office to Ms. Melanie Redden (FSH 107) by September 19th at 3:30pm Central.
- Please submit a copy of the student's passport ID page via email to gatton.academics@wku.edu (if they already have a passport).
- No payments are due or accepted at the time of application
- Spots are limited to 50 students from the Class of 2027 and are equally distributed across the North and South sides of the building (25 per side). Participant selection is chosen by random drawing. Once the 50 spots have been filled, random drawing continues until all students have been drawn, forming an ordered wait list.
- All students will be notified of their selection by October 3rd. Any program spots that become available later will be offered in the order of the wait list.
- After students are notified of acceptance, students and parents will need to complete additional forms for the WKU Study Abroad and Global Learning office.

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