

HNC Housing Studies



Location	Hammersmith
Duration	2 years
Level	4, 5
Start Date	September 2012
Mode	Part-time
Timetable	Day
Home (EU) Fee	£2,750

Course overview

The aims of the programme are: to provide an academically based and intellectually demanding programme of study within the housing discipline. This will cover key aspects of housing policy, housing law and management and allow students to gain knowledge and skills relevant to the pursuit of a career in housing as well as having broader application. In line with the requirements of the CIH, students who complete the programmes will have acquired both skills and an understanding of housing and society, and of the policy and economic context in which the new housing professional operates. Additionally students will be able to demonstrate an understanding of issues related to customer service, managing staff and collaborative working.

Who is the course for?

The course is for housing professionals seeking a relevant professional qualification and non-housing professionals seeking an entry into the Housing profession. The courses within the programme reflect the requirements of the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) in relation to current issues in housing policy and practice which will enable students to achieve Associate or Corporate Membership of the CIH.

Course content

- Housing in Context
- Explanations in Housing Histories
- Society & Welfare
- Funding Social Housing
- Producing the Built Environment
- Law for Housing Professionals
- Organisations
- Housing Management & Maintenance

Entry requirements

One of the following qualifications:

- BTEC National Certificate/Diploma
- Advanced GNVQ
- Access to HE Diploma
- 1 A Level or 2 AS Levels

If you have no formal qualifications but have relevant work experience your application will still be considered.

Applicants will normally be working in the housing sector.

If your first language is not English, you should have a minimum score of 6.0 in IELTS alongside a UK or equivalent international qualification. Application will be required to attend a College interview and may need to complete an assessment test.

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Assessment methods

Assessment is an integral part of the overall learning process and our student-centred approach aims to promote initiative and creativity, critical thinking, evaluation, decision making, personal reflection and effective communication skills.

Each module carries a number of assessments. Depending on the module, you will be assessed through a combination of the following; formal reports, presentations, exams, in-class tests, portfolios, and case studies.

Employer involvement

This programme has an emphasis on work-based learning. Employer involvement is integrated within the delivery of the course programme through visiting lecturers from the industry, and assessments relating to work based practices.

What does validation mean?

Validation means that the partner university recognises and monitors the quality and standards of the programme and approves the qualification. The programme is managed within university regulations and on successful completion students will receive a qualification from the university.

Benefits of validation

- You can progress onto the final year of the BA (Hons) Degree in Housing Studies at London South Bank University
- You will have access to a wide range of resources in the learning centres across the university campus.

What progression routes are available?

Once you graduate from HNC Housing Studies you can progress further and study a degree in Housing Studies at London South Bank University. You will also obtain Professional Membership of the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH).

Future career paths

Many opportunities exist within the public, private and voluntary sectors where you can work in areas including: housing management, housing advice,

housing development, housing support, homelessness prevention, tenant participation and renewal and enforcement.

Why choose our College?

- We have strong links with partner universities
- Our tuition fees are lower than universities
- We support our students through smaller classes and careers advice on progression to either employment or university
- We have strong links with employers
- We are located within walking distance of London Underground and mainline rail stations
- We have excellent facilities including a common room exclusively for Higher Education students
- We offer financial support with grants, loans and bursaries that you may be eligible for.

How to apply?

For the full-time Higher Education courses which include Foundation Degrees, Higher National Diplomas and Higher National Certificates you will need to apply through UCAS (our reference is E10), or complete an online application form on this website. We will give you advice and support you through the UCAS process once you have been offered a place.

For part-time courses, please complete a college application form, either online through the website or request an application form from our College Information Centre.

For more information, visit www.ucas.com or contact us.

Financial and Additional Learning Support (ALS)

If you are going to study on a higher education course and you have a disability or learning difficulty such as dyslexia, you will need to apply to your local authority for Disabled Student Allowance (DSA) on form DSA1. (International Students are not eligible for DSA).

For more information about higher education ALS and financial support available to you please refer to the College website or speak to an advisor at our College information centres.

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