An Agreement regarding the admission of students to the LSE General Course

between

VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY
Blacksburg, Virginia, USA

and

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS
AND POLITICAL SCIENCE (LSE)
London, United Kingdom

1. This agreement is for a period of three years beginning with the academic year 1994/95. It shall be subject to review by both parties at the end of its second year, i.e. before July 1996 and may be extended, amended or terminated at that time by mutual consent.

2. Virginia Tech will nominate undergraduate student applicants each year during the period of the agreement for selection by the LSE for admission as General Course students for one full academic year, during their junior year. Only students enrolled at Virginia Tech will be nominated. Nominations will be handled at Virginia Tech by Dr. Arnold Schuetz, Director of Study Abroad.

3. LSE agrees to offer admission to such students subject to acceptance of their qualifications. The normal minimum GPA required is 3.3 but such a GPA does not guarantee acceptance. Weight is given in selection to the academic references and evidence of particular interests or experiences which make attendance as the LSE particularly valuable.

4. While the LSE cannot guarantee accommodation, students who accept the offer of a place at the School will be advised on how to apply for place in Halls belonging either to the School or to the University of London and will be offered support in any search for housing.

5. Virginia Tech will forward the dossiers of its nominees to LSE by March 1st of each year. LSE will reach decisions on nominations promptly. The LSE will send decisions on applications directly to the applicants and will also inform the Director of Study Abroad at Virginia Tech of the decisions.

6. As with all General Course students at the LSE, those selected will be attached to an LSE Department and assigned to a personal tutor. They will have access to all academic, social, health and welfare facilities available to LSE undergraduates. They will be expected to follow four courses of instruction, each lasting the whole year - the normal work-load for LSE undergraduates studying for a degree. Two of these courses will normally be from those offered by the Department to which the student has been assigned. General Course students are required by the LSE to take examinations in at least three courses, but may take further examinations up to a maximum of four.
7. The transcript issued by the LSE at the end of the academic year will show:

a. Course Grades an assessment (on a scale A to F) for each course taken, compiled by the class teachers.

b. Examination Grades (on a scale A to F) marked to London University standards.

c. A grade profile of examination grades for all General Course students in that year.

d. A grade profile of examination for all second year LSE undergraduates in that year.

e. Virginia Tech students will pay directly to LSE the tuition fees at the rate current for General Course students, normally payable at the start of the academic year or in three equal installments at the start of each term.

f. All academic work done by VPI students under the auspices of the LSE will be regarded
   by Virginia Tech as transfer credit.

g. Virginia Tech students at the LSE will normally be eligible for grants, loans, scholarships and aid which they would enjoy on the Blacksburg campus. Decisions about these matters will have to be made on an individual basis in collaboration among Virginia Tech, LSE, the student, and certain scholarship donors.

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