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Record Enrollment in 2010 SULC Summer Abroad
Program in London, June 20-July 31, 2010

Fifty-two students, representing the largest enrollment ever, are enjoying a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity spending six weeks abroad in the 2010 Southern University Law Center Summer Program in London, England.

The program runs June 20-July 31 at Queen Mary College of the University of London, which is centrally located and offers ready access to all of London's attractions, according to Prof. Maurice Franks, director of the program. Participants in the program are law students from SULC, Capital University School of Law in Columbus, Ohio; LSU Paul Hebert Law Center; Nova Southeastern University College of Law in Fort Lauderdale-Davie, Florida; Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law in Houston, Texas; and Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia.

The students are taking two three-hour courses such as, "International Criminal Law," "European Law," "Private International Law," and "Comparative Constitutional Law," taught by SULC faculty. Classes meet each morning, four days a week.

This year as usual all 52 students visited the trading floor of Lloyd's of London,

where a retired executive of Lloyd's explained the workings of the world's largest insurance market. This year, a few of the students also had an opportunity to return to the trading floor, accompanied by three brokers from the Watkins Syndicate.

Most of the students also chose to make an optional trip to Amsterdam and The Hague to visit the International Court of Justice and the International Criminal Court.

The American Bar Association (ABA) approved plans for SULC's first summer abroad in 2005. The program was previously held at London City University located at the historic square mile known as the City of London. "The City" is the home of London's financial district and is reminiscent of New York's Wall Street. Enrollment was capped at 25 students that first year, but has slowly increased each year since.

Photos attached.

Cutlines:

IMGP2653--Martin Leach, retired public relations director of Lloyd's of London, explains workings of Lloyd's to students.

IMGP2670--On the trading floor of Lloyd's of London, Leach shows students the logbooks containing records of every known shipwreck for the last 300 years.