Welcome to London, Spartans!

I am your London Residence Life Director, Emmanuel Etim. I will be one of your main communication links to Michigan State, your local residence hall and the London community, and to Intrax Education Abroad (IEA) – the company that provides our logistical arrangements in London this year. I have experience as an assistant hall director at MSU and as a former mentor and tour guide.

In cooperation with each of the Resident Assistants (one RA is available in each of the five residence halls) we will coordinate activities, provide community forums to discuss local events and other topics, and help solve problems.

Support beyond the books

Your London experience will be a time to learn not only in the classroom but also by the surrounding cultures in London. Being away from home opens the door to situations that challenge you to grow and explore within yourself. There will be some initial adjustments everyone will need to make and our RA staff is here for you – from getting directions to the local chemist (pharmacy), finding travel information, or any internal challenges that may arise. Our staff will be there to assist in your needs!

What we have planned for this summer

More than 350 students will be here in London this summer representing 17 study abroad programs. To keep you updated on daily activities we have planned, be sure to check the bulletin board in the MSU Office in International Hall.

Special events will be held in various residence halls designed for you to meet students in other MSU study abroad programs. Some of this year’s events include:

- Open Door Night
- Weekly London Blog
- In-hall Movie Nights
- Stress Free Zone
- London Unplugged (a chance to unwind and talk about your London experience)
- Hall Update Forum

We will also get together elsewhere in London for activities such as:

- Travel through Europe Fair
- Area Tours (museums, tourist attractions, city events, etc.)
- London Jogging
- A Photo Contest

How to contact me

I’m available to you by email (etimemma@msu.edu) or you can stop by the MSU Office in International Hall during my office hours. During your onsite orientation, you will also be given a local phone number that will put you in contact with the London RA staff in case of an emergency. That number is 0782-149-3045.