

LSE UNDERGRADUATE POLITICAL REVIEW ESSAY COMPETITION 2018

LSEUPR is pleased to announce its 2018 essay competition is now open and accepting submissions from all **incoming and outgoing year 12 & 13** students.

Are you interested in politics, current affairs or philosophy?

This is an excellent opportunity to challenge yourself in tackling current, complex topics outside of the traditional curriculum and to impress both yourself and us with your abilities!

Deadline

September 1st 2018

Essay questions

1. Is war and conflict an inevitable feature of global politics?
2. Thomas Jefferson once said "*the cornerstone of democracy rests on the foundation of an educated electorate*". With the rise of fake news, historically low voter turnouts, and populist angst, to what extent is Jefferson correct regarding democracy in the twenty-first century?
3. What are the effects of the rise of China on the present world order?
4. Has Brexit fundamentally changed the traditional voting patterns of the British electorate?
5. You have been hired as a policy consultant by 10 Downing Street to develop **one** policy. What policy would you implement, and why?
Explain the reasoning behind your choice, keeping policy choice and explanation clear. One example for this question would be: choosing to raise the minimum wage, and justifying this politically, socially and economically.

View below for information on guidelines, submission & prizes:

<http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/lseupr/lseupr-essay-competition/>

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