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Post-offer Visit Day Guide

22nd March & 23rd March 2022

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

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After this Visit Day,
Durham is definitely
my first choice
university in the UK.



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Welcome!

“Well done; you’ve made it through. Now you have to make a decision about which offer to accept as your firm choice. This decision is not just about the next three years; it will shape your journey in life. I very much hope it will be the offer from Durham University that you choose to accept. By experiencing a little bit of life as a Durham University student, getting to know the University by participating in a range of interactive programmes, Post-offer Visit Days provide unique insights into Durham’s distinctive educational opportunities and vibrant student experiences. You can be sure that your College will extend a warm welcome and offer insight into the social and support sides of student life. You’ll learn about Durham’s unrivalled opportunities for pursuing extra-curricular interests. Each option includes dedicated time with your academic department, with a programme of engaging activities designed to deepen your course understanding. Please join us at a Post-offer Visit Day. Be curious, ask questions, observe others, participate in programmes, explore buildings, examine course structures, have fun. Above all else, experience the Durham Difference. On behalf of the entire Durham University community, I wish you a very successful and enjoyable visit to Durham University.”



“Congratulations! You’ve received an offer from Durham University. This is no small achievement against what will have undoubtedly been strong competition.”

**Professor Alan Houston,
Vice-Provost (Education)**





find at nearly any other institution. They will help develop your intellectual curiosity through a programme of multidisciplinary discussions and events, often learning from some of the world's leading experts as well as your peers; you will have many opportunities to share ideas with and learn from academics and fellow students in all the University's Departments. The Colleges, supported by Experience Durham and the Students' Union, also provide opportunities for participation across a huge range of sports, music, drama, and other activities. Standards range from international elite level all the way to just having fun; come and get involved – no one is excluded!

In addition, Durham University gives you the opportunity to think about your place as a global citizen and how you can learn from others, as well as what a difference you can make to those around you. For example, we lead the way nationally for student volunteering; and our Colleges' student communities are themselves driven by teams of students who take on the responsibility of leading and enabling their peers.

During your visit, you will meet many current students. I encourage you to ask them questions and to hear their stories – they are themselves the greatest examples of the transformative experience Durham University provides. After experiencing a real taste of life as a Durham student, I hope you choose to accept your offer from us. On behalf of the staff and students here at Durham University, I wish you a very enjoyable and informative visit. We love it here – we hope you will too."

Jeremy Cook, Pro-Vice Chancellor (Colleges and Student Experience)

"May I offer my congratulations on receiving an offer from Durham University – an impressive accomplishment! The next milestone in your journey is the Post-offer Visit Day. We hope this will make your decision about your firm choice far more certain; we understand that it is an important decision that will shape the rest of your life. In addition to helping you get to know your department, these visit days aim to give you an insight into the outstanding student experience that Durham University offers beyond your academic programme. We believe this wider student experience, centred on the Durham collegiate system, is unique and will give you the tools to flourish in your future life.

The 16 Colleges are welcoming, stimulating and enabling communities that provide the perfect framework for personal enrichment and support, at a scale that is far more human and relatable than you will



Help With Travel and Accommodation (Event Bursary)

You may be able to claim up to a maximum of £200 per undergraduate offer holder for travel and accommodation costs associated with attendance at one of our Post-offer Visit Days. Keep a look out for the links in your booking confirmation for a full outline of the bursary and the online claim form.

Claiming couldn't be easier. Firstly you need to fill in the Event Bursary form and upload your evidence.

We will assess your evidence before you arrive and let you know if you have been successful.

All you then need to do is visit our Event Bursary Claim Desk, on the day, located in the Teaching and Learning Centre (Map Ref 24:D6) between 9:30 am and 4:00 pm and speak with a staff member.

You must register at the Event Bursary Claim Desk on the day to confirm your attendance at the event.

In order to claim you will need to provide the following:

- Evidence that shows you are in receipt of government-funded and income assessed financial support from your college or sixth form such as a 16-19 bursary or free school meals.

AND

- Evidence which shows you are a student at a state-maintained school/college*.

or

- Evidence which shows you are care experienced and/or estranged (CEES).**

or

- Evidence that shows you are studying at an independent school and in receipt of a full scholarship awarded on the grounds of financial hardship.

or

- Have successfully completed one of the following Access and Participation schemes with Durham University:
 - STEP
 - Sutton Trust Summer School
 - Supported Progression.

* includes Academy and Grammar school sixth forms.

** 'CEES' refers to anyone who is care experienced and/or estranged. 'Care experienced' means anyone who has been, or is currently, in care. This care may have been provided in many different settings, including living with foster carers; living in a residential children's home; being looked after at home under a supervision order; living with friends or relatives in kinship care. 'Estranged' students are those aged 18-24 who are not communicating with either of their biological or adoptive parents due to an irreconcilable breakdown in the relationships with them.

Please note receipt of child benefit for the offer holder is not sufficient evidence. Unfortunately we are unable to make payments retrospectively.



Information for offer holders

Helping you make a great decision

What's in it for me?

- Experience life as a Durham University student
- Get answers to questions
- Experience what it will be like to study at Durham.

Your degree

Get a flavour for how your degree is structured and delivered, and the teaching and assessment methods. You will also get to meet some of our great departmental staff and students. You will experience what it is like to study in a higher education environment with lectures, seminars, tutorials and subject-specific sessions.

Your life

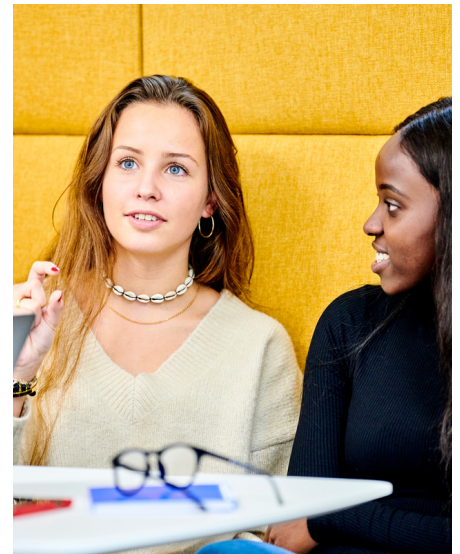
Being at university isn't just about studying; it's also about living. Get a glimpse into the extra-curricular and social side of being a Durham University student. Find out more about all those university-wide extras such as volunteering, music, sport and theatre. Whatever your passion, whether you participate for fun or to gain and develop additional skills, Durham University can deliver.

Your support

Our Professional Support Services will be available on the day, either in their offices or in the Teaching and Learning Centre so you can find out more about funding, Careers and Enterprise, Disability Support and our Counselling Service, as well as finding out more about our libraries, collections and facilities.

Your college

More than somewhere to eat and sleep, your college will provide experiences, challenges and opportunities. Your college will make your time at Durham much more than just a degree. Meet staff and find out more about our colleges during the Post-offer Visit Day.



Information for Parents, Guardians and Other Guests

What's in it for me?

We want offer holders to get a real experience of Durham as a student. This means parents/guardians and other guests may need to take a step back, don't worry we'll take care of them!

Why not take a self-guided tour using our app. Visit: durham.ac.uk/visit-us/open-days/self-guided-tours to find out more or relax and take a break in one of our cafes. You can visit our information fair in the Teaching and Learning Centre (Map Ref 24:D6) in the afternoon or explore the city centre. We also have guided tours leaving every hour on the hour between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm from the Teaching and Learning Centre.

Due to reduced room capacity due to COVID-19, it may be that only offer holders can attend college and departments sessions. We will send further direct communications about guest activities and where to find information about attending sessions, so keep an eye out for these.

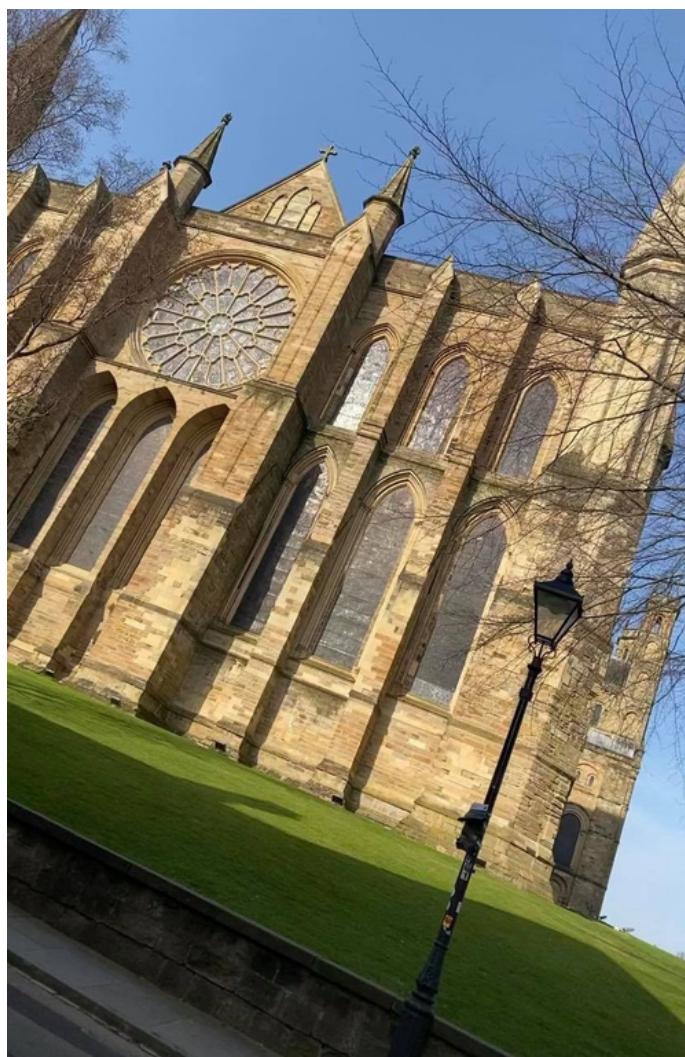
Thank you for the understanding and cooperation in supporting this decision.

We know parents and guardians have questions and we are here to answer them. Whether you want to find out more about college life, or what financial support is available to students you can drop into our Information Fair on the day (between 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm) in the Teaching and Learning Centre to find out more.

We have staff from our Admissions Team and the Colleges and Accommodation Office on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Things to do

- Take a tour of Durham (either guided or self-guided)
- Visit our support services
- Look at our facilities including the Library and our Sports and Wellbeing Park
- Speak to staff
- Get an opinion of a current student
- Grab some refreshments.



Planning Your Visit

Get everything done in one day! Our Post-offer Visit Days start from 10:00 am and run until 4:00 pm.

10:00 am until 1:00 pm

You will attend your department session where you will have the opportunity to learn more about your course and ask any questions that you have to staff and students. You can find the locations of where each session is taking place on page 10 of the guide.

OFFER HOLDERS STUDYING MORE THAN ONE SUBJECT:

We would recommend attending the academic experience which is of most interest to you. Unfortunately, due to time constraints, we are only able to provide one academic experience per day. Alternatively, you can book to attend 2 different visit days.

1:30 pm until 4:00 pm

Visit colleges, our colleges are all open for you to drop in and find out more about. All of our colleges are unique, feel free to explore as many as you can in this time but we would recommend choosing a maximum of three to visit, as you won't be able to fit in all 16! Take some time beforehand to research the features of each college and which ones you might like to prioritise.

Don't forget

You can take the opportunity to visit our Information Fair in the Teaching and Learning Centre between 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm where you will find a range of stalls providing information about different University services. You can also drop into some professional support services in our Palatine Centre or pop along to the Sports and Wellbeing Park.



"The librarians are really lovely and helpful and I got good advice on scholarships in the funding office"

Post-offer Visit Day offer holder 2019.



"The college was very welcoming and both the staff and students were very helpful in answering all questions"

Post-offer Visit Day offer holder February 2020

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

We will send you and your guests regular emails leading up to the event. Please read these carefully as they will contain important information, updates and interactive maps to help you during your visit.

Department Session Locations

Department	Location	Map Reference
Accounting	MHL452 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Anthropology	D104 - Dawson Building (Anthropology Department)	41 E6
Archaeology	D210 - Dawson Building (Archaeology Department)	41 E6
Biosciences	L50 - Biosciences Department	44 E6/E7
Business & Marketing	MHL418 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Chemistry	CG85 - Chemistry Department	15 E6
Combined Honours in Social Sciences	CLC 406 Derman Christopherson - Calman Learning Centre	43 E6
Classics and Ancient History	PG20 - Pemberton Lecture Theatres	21 D3
Computer Sciences	MCS0014 - Maths and Computer Science Building	35 E8
Criminology	TLC116 - Teaching and Learning Centre	24 D6/D7
Earth Sciences	ES228/229 - Arthur Holmes Building for Earth Sciences	43 E6
Economics	MHL405 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Education Studies	PCL057- Palatine Centre	60 E6
Engineering	E005 - Christopherson Building (Engineering Department)	14 E7
English	CLC013 Arnold Wolfendale - Calman Learning Centre	43 E6
Finance	MHL403 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Geography	W103 Appleby Theatre - Geography Department	40 D6
Government & International Affairs (Politics)	Room 102 - Al-Qasimi School for Government and International Affairs	5 B7
History	CLC 202 Rosemary Cramp - Calman Learning Centre	43 E6
Law	PCL048 Hogan Lovells Harvard - Law School (Palatine Centre)	60 E6
Liberal Arts	CLC 407 Kingsley Barrett Theatre - Calman Learning Centre	43 E6
Marketing & Management	MHL240 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Mathematical Sciences	MCS0001 - Maths and Computer Science Building	35 E8
Modern Languages and Cultures	TLC042 - Teaching and Learning Centre (All languages to register here first)	24 D6/D7
Music	MU006 Concert Room - Music Department (Divinity House)	22 C3
Natural Sciences	CLC203 Ken Wade - Calman Learning Centre	43 E6
Philosophy	PCL054 - Palatine Centre	60 E6
Physics	PH8 James Duff - Rochester Building (Physics Department)	12 D7
PPE: Philosophy, Politics and Economics	MHL454 - Durham University Business School	1 A8
Primary Education	PCL050 - Palatine Centre	60 E6
Psychology	L68 - Psychology Building	44 E6/E7
Sociology	TLC117 - Teaching and Learning Centre	24 D6/D7
Sports and Exercise Sciences	Reception Area - Sport and Wellbeing Park	32 I6/I7
Theology and Religion	PG21 - Pemberton Lecture Rooms	21 D3
Visual Arts	TLC042 - Teaching and Learning Centre	24 D6/D7

College Locations

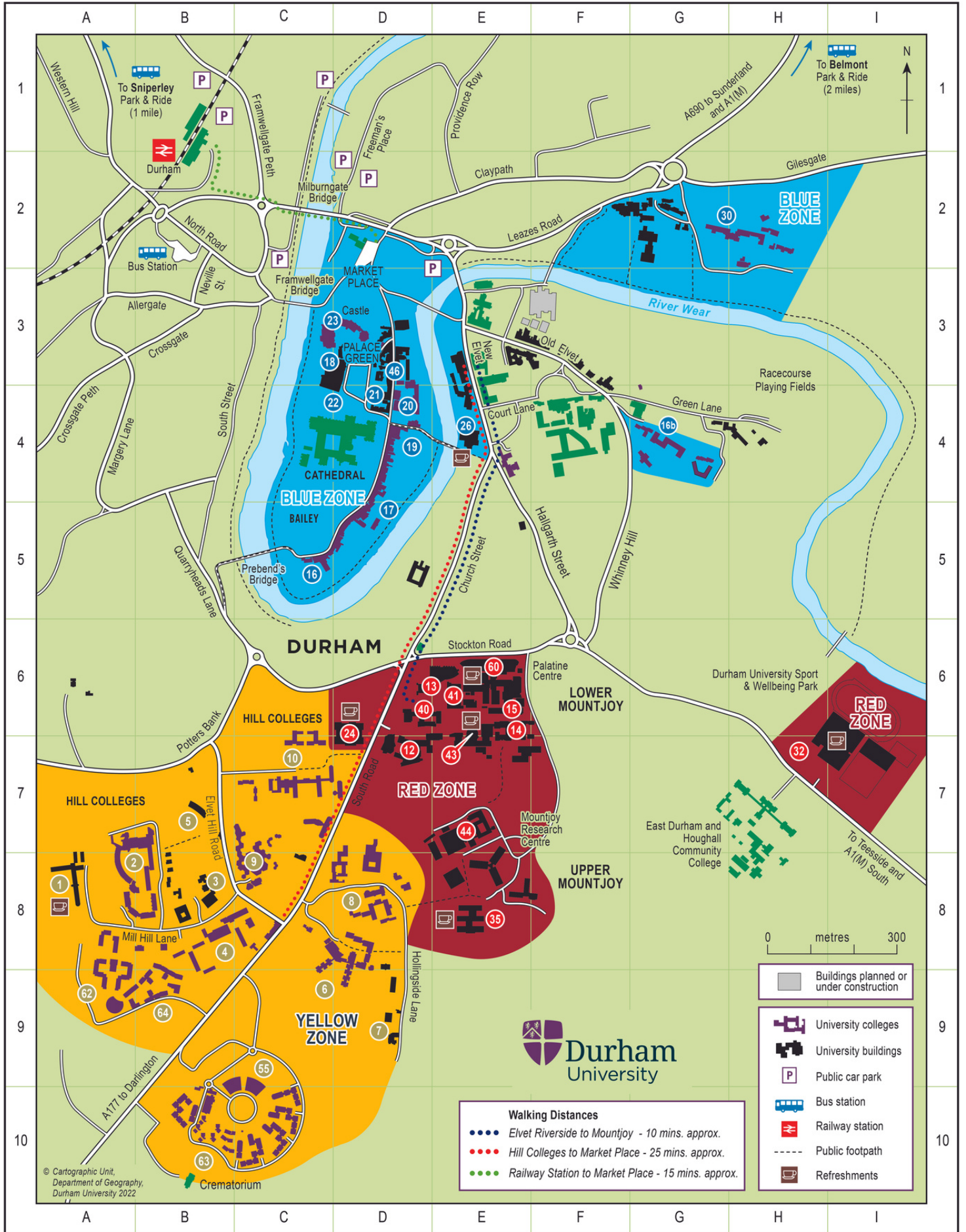
College	Map Reference
College of St Hild and St Bede	30 G2/H2
Collingwood College	6 D8
Grey College	8 D8
Hatfield College	20 D4
John Snow College	62 A9
Josephine Butler College	55 C10
South College	64 B9
St Aidan's College	2 A7/A8
St Chad's College	19 D4
St Cuthbert's Society (Bailey Site)	16 C5
St Cuthbert's Society (Parson's Field Site)	16b G4
St John's College	17 D5
St Mary's College	10 C6/C7
Stephenson College	63 C10
Trevelyan College	9 C7/C8
University College	23 D3
Van Mildert College	4 B8/C8

Top Tip



We recommend choosing 3 colleges to visit on the day, as you won't be able to fit in all 16! Visit our college webpages to find out more about each college before you arrive and to help you pick which ones you would like to visit!
durham.ac.uk/colleges-and-student-experience/colleges

Durham City Map



Shuttle Bus Schedule

Buses will run at regular intervals between the times shown below.

Route 1:

9:00 am - 10:30 am

- Train Station
- Elvet Hill Road (For Durham University Business School and Upper Mountjoy buildings)
- Palatine Centre (For Lower Mountjoy buildings)
- Sports and Wellbeing Park
- Durham Students' Union (For Palace Green buildings)



Top Tip

If you are heading to Palace Green from the train station it is quicker to walk!



Route 2 - Colleges Hopper Bus:

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

- Howlands - Drop Off Only (For Hill Colleges: Josephine Butler College, Stephenson College, South College & John Snow College)
- South Road (For Hill Colleges: St Mary's College, Trevelyan College, St Aidan's College & Van Mildert College)
- Palatine Centre (For the Information Fair in the Teaching and Learning Centre and Palatine Centre Support Services)
- Durham Students' Union (For Bailey Colleges: St Cuthbert's College, St John's College, St Chad's College, Hatfield College & University College)
- College of St Hild and St Bede

Route 3:

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

- Durham Students' Union
- Palatine Centre
- Elvet Hill Road
- Train Station



Walking Times

Being a student in Durham will require you to use your own steam to get around! It is often quicker to walk than it is to get in a car or use public transport.

Our buildings are spread across the city, however, the city itself is not very big and everything is within walking distance. We have included some of the approximate walking times below to help you with planning your day. These times do however depend on how fast you walk! You can also use GoogleMaps to plan your walking route and find out how long it will take you to move between venues. Take a look at the shuttle bus routes for some of the longer walking times.

Locations	Approximate Walking Time
Train Station to Durham City Centre	10 Minutes
Train Station to Lower Mountjoy/Teaching & Learning Centre	20-25 Minutes
Train Station to Upper Hill Colleges/Durham University Business School	30 Minutes
Train Station to Sports and Wellbeing Park	30 Minutes
Lower Mountjoy to Durham Students' Union	10 Minutes
Lower Mountjoy to Sports and Wellbeing Park	10-15 Minutes
Lower Mountjoy to Bailey Colleges	15 Minutes
Hill Colleges To Durham City Centre	20-25 Minutes
Hill Colleges To Bailey Colleges	15-25 Minutes
Hill Colleges to Lower Mountjoy	5-10 Minutes

Top Tip!



It's often quicker to walk around Durham rather than taking the bus. Make sure to wear comfortable footwear in Durham as there's quite a few hills and some uneven cobbled streets.



Explore the area - Tours

When visiting Durham City there are unique opportunities to explore and find out more.

You can undertake a self-guided tour using our Durham University Tours App.

Our brand new app 'Durham University Tours' is available to download in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store now! This will enable you to take self-guided tours, either in-person around the city or remotely from the comfort of your own home! The app provides a range of tours so that you have multiple options to choose from!

If you would prefer, you can take a guided tour, which leaves every hour from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm with one of our Ambassadors from our Teaching and Learning Centre.



Tours of the Bill Bryson Library will run between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm on both days, led by our student ambassadors. They will run at regular intervals. To help visitors get the most out of this experience, numbers will be strictly limited for each tour. Pop along to the Bill Bryson Library on the day to find out more.



Find out more about...

Libraries, Museums and Study Facilities

The Bill Bryson Library (Map Ref 13:E6) is the largest of the University's libraries and provides access to resources for all subjects. It has 1800 study spaces including individual and group study rooms, collaborative and quiet study areas as well as a café. Access is provided to 1.6 million printed books, 19,000 e-journals and over 400,000 e-books and other digital items. Many colleges also have small libraries and study rooms.

There is a Library at Durham University Business School, and Leazes Road Library supports the School of Education and provides study space for all students.

We also have a further two locations to mention, boasting Durham University's world-class collections of art, archaeology, archives, rare books and manuscripts:

Palace Green Library, located between the Castle and Cathedral, (Map Ref 18:D3) was once the main University Library, it incorporates buildings dating back to the 15th century. It now houses the University's extensive archives and special collections, accessed in the Barker Research Library, which also provides 60 quiet student study spaces, galleries with both permanent and changing exhibitions, and events for families and school groups throughout the year.

The Oriental Museum, just off Mill Hill Lane opposite Van Mildert College (Map Ref 3:B8). It is home to galleries with both permanent and changing exhibitions, and events for families and schools groups throughout the year.

Galleries and collections in both venues support the University's research and teaching across the faculties, from foundation studies to doctoral level. Students are entitled to free entry to galleries and some enlist as volunteers or take up placement opportunities as part of their career development. A diverse programme of special events and temporary exhibitions ensures that there is always something new to see and do.



Find out more about...

Experience Durham

Alongside academic excellence we place high value on providing experiences that will stretch and develop you. Experiences may happen inside colleges, through intercollege competitions, within the Students' Union or as part of the multitude of activities co-ordinated under Experience Durham.

Experience Durham is responsible for coordinating University sport, staff and student volunteering and outreach, student theatre and music.

Take a look at the sections below to find out how to explore more of each aspect.



DU Student Volunteering and Outreach

Students have endless opportunities to get involved with volunteering activities both within their colleges and at a wider University level. Last year 2,000 students volunteered 35,000 hours of their time to support our local community! The direction and focus of volunteering at Durham is driven by an elected student executive committee. DU Student Volunteering and Outreach is the largest volunteering organisation at Durham with over 50 student-led, community-focused projects. We have projects to suit all interests, from tutoring local school children, running tea parties for elderly residents or supporting adults with learning disabilities through conservation work. We also run a range of inclusive sport outreach projects including programmes for hard-to-reach groups.

We offer amazing training opportunities for all of our student volunteers as well as the chance to gain accredited qualifications in volunteering and nationally recognised coaching qualifications. The best thing about DU Student Volunteering and Outreach is that it is student-led, so if you don't see a project that you're interested in, you can set up your own! To round up each year of success, we hold an annual celebration for all of our volunteers at the Durham University Volunteer awards evening, set in the majestic Town Hall, where we recognise all of our volunteers' achievements and the positive impact they have had on the local community! Why not pop along to our stand on the top floor of the Teaching and Learning Centre (Map Ref 24:D6).



Team Durham

Sport at Durham focuses on the core strands of performance, leadership, participation and community outreach. More than 75% of our students take part in sports on a regular basis. Our philosophy is to provide opportunities in sport to enable exceptional people to do exceptional things.

If you are a high-performance athlete, aspiring to play in University first teams or perhaps considering applying for a Vice-Chancellor's Sports Scholarship, then please contact Albert Potts (a.d.potts@durham.ac.uk) for further information.

More details available at teamdurham.com

You can take a look around our Sports and Wellbeing Park located at Maiden Castle (Map Ref 32:H7) from 1:30 pm to 4:00pm, or pop along to the Teaching and Learning Centre Information Fair on the top floor to speak to a member of the team. (Map Ref 24:D6)



Music Durham

Durham's musical life is so active and diverse that it is hard to escape it. From orchestras, bands, and opera, to gospel choirs, gamelan ensembles, African drumming, and chamber choirs, there is something to cater for every musical taste. Music Durham is the umbrella organisation that oversees Durham University's music societies, chapel choirs and college music ensembles.

Join us in the Teaching and Learning Centre on the top floor during the Information Fair (Map Ref 24:D6) to find out more about how you can continue with your musical life, or start your journey.



Durham Student Theatre

Encompassing over 20 different theatre groups at university and college level, Durham Student Theatre showcases over 100 productions each year to 15,000 audience members, Durham Student Theatre is brimming with creative, like-minded individuals who come together to perform a diverse range of shows. So whether you want to be on stage, backstage, produce, direct, or even run your own theatre company, Durham Student Theatre aims to provide opportunities and to support its members in what they love doing and ultimately make high-quality theatre.

Our Assembly Rooms Theatre (Map Ref 46:D3) is where the magic happens, but if you want to speak to someone from the team visit the Information Fair on the top floor of the Teaching and Learning Centre (Map Ref 24:D6)



Find out more about...

Durham Students' Union

Durham SU exists for a purpose: they're the champion of every Durham student. Every year, Durham students vote for the next Durham SU Officer team to represent their interests.

Working on chosen objectives as well as projects mandated by students, they work towards making a difference and change for the better. The Students' Union is home to over 250 student groups, including everything from Hummus Society to student media.

If you need a helping hand while at Durham, the Union's Advice Service is there for you, offering independent support and resources across a variety of issues. There is also a relaxing and spacious social and study area with the bar and café, affording beautiful views from the balcony terrace of the Cathedral and river.

Located in Dunelm House (Map Ref 26:D4) the building was opened in 1966 and is notable internally for the fact that the main staircase linking all five levels of the building runs in an entirely straight line. This was intended by the building's architects to create the feeling of an interior street, why not pop along to take a look and speak to staff.



Find out more about...

Professional Support Services

Student Funding

Find out about fees, bursaries and scholarships, government loans and funding solutions. Specialist staff will be available throughout the day to answer any questions you may have. It is important for you as a prospective student to be able to fully understand how much coming to university will cost, whether you are eligible for financial support, and if so, how much. This will enable you to make an informed financial plan before starting your studies.

Careers & Enterprise

University is about having the time of your life whilst studying a subject you enjoy. It's also about gaining a qualification and developing skills and experience that can lead to a fulfilling and rewarding career. Drop into the Careers & Enterprise Centre on the ground floor of the Palatine Centre to have a look around the information resources. Find out about our recent graduates, the jobs they do, the further study and training opportunities they secure and the careers support available to students and graduates.

Disability Support

Disability Support aims to support students in achieving their academic potential by offering advice and guidance and arranging appropriate provision. They offer support to those who may have a specific learning difference. If you feel you may benefit from their advice or support why not pop along to the department.

Counselling Service

The Counselling Service offers specialist support at any time during your studies if you are struggling with academic or personal challenges. It operates as an addition to the support offered in colleges and academic departments. Our Counsellors and Mental Health Advisors will help identify and overcome barriers to achieving your potential, promoting the development of self-awareness and a range of life skills.

All the above services are located in the Palatine Centre (Map Ref 60:E6) and are open from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Durham Centre for Academic Development (DCAD)

DCAD offers a range of educational services for Durham students and staff. Of particular interest to Post-Offer Visit Day participants will be 'Academic Development for Students': a suite of courses, classes and consultations in academic study skills (e.g. academic writing; time management; strategies for being productive; etc). Come and chat with us at the Information Fair (located in the Teaching and Learning Centre, top floor Map Ref 24:D6) for more details.



Find out more about...

Placement Years

A Placement Year offers you the opportunity to spend a year gaining valuable work experience during your time at Durham University. It is a fantastic opportunity to immerse yourself fully within an organisation, applying the knowledge from your studies in a practical setting. You can choose to do a placement anywhere in the world so long as it is located in a country that is safe to travel to. The majority of departments offer Placement Years as an option which you will opt to take once at Durham University (except for Chemistry and Business degrees with embedded placements). The Placement Year will occur in the penultimate year, extending your degree to either 4 or 5 years.

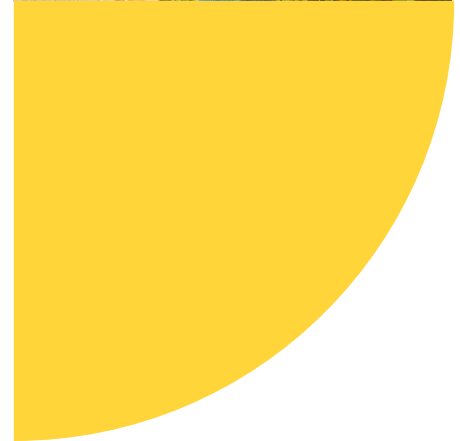
Want to find out more? Come along to the Information Fair on the top floor of the Teaching and Learning Centre to find out more (Map Ref 24:D6)

Still time to spare?

Why not visit some of the city centre visitor attractions?

- Museum of Archaeology
- Durham Cathedral
- World Heritage Site Visitor Centre
- Botanic Garden
- Durham Riverside Walk.

Find out more before you visit Durham at: www.thisisdurham.com



Study Abroad

Durham University has over 270 student exchange agreements under the Erasmus+ and Overseas Exchange programmes. Our partner institutions are spread across the globe from Austria to New Zealand! Almost 300 Durham students every year take the opportunity to study abroad and we welcome over 400 students to Durham from our partner institutions each year. It really is the opportunity of a lifetime and will add something unique to your CV.

Ambassadors will be on hand in the Information Fair (Map Ref 24:D6) all afternoon with staff available between 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm.



Refreshments

University catering outlets offer a wide variety of snacks and drinks to keep you refreshed and raring to go. Please see individual café information for opening times.



The following University catering outlets will be open during your visit. There will be a range of cold food and drinks. Paninis are the only hot food available. We look forward to welcoming you!

Palatine Centre
Restaurant 08:00 – 16:00
Location: Palatine Centre
(Map Ref 60:E6)

Calman Café
08:00 – 16:00
Location: Calman
Learning Centre
(Map Ref 15:E6)

Zing Kitchen
08:00 – 17:00
Location: Teaching and
Learning Centre
(Map Ref 24: D6/D7)

Small Island Coffee
08:00 – 17:00
Location: Bill Bryson
Library (Map Ref 13:E6)

**Maths and Computer
Science Building Café**
Restaurant 08:00 – 16:00
Location: Maths and
Computer Science Building
(Map Ref 35:E8)

Zing Kitchen is Durham University's first cashless cafe, offering faster service to our customers.



Top tip

If you download our 'DU Tours' app there is a feature list of 37 different places to eat and drink in Durham. More information on the app is on page 14.

Travelling to the University...

We strongly encourage all visitors to use public transport. Parking in Durham city and at nearby Park and Ride car parks is limited and we are unable to provide University parking unless you have access needs.

Visitors with access needs

Please let us know if you or a guest has an access need so that we can help support you during your visit. Whether you need access to specific facilities or require to be seated at the front of a lecture theatre we are here to help. The easiest way to do this is by ensuring you complete the Access Needs information during the booking process. You may also find it helpful to view the access to our buildings by visiting: disabledgo.com/organisations/durham-university

By Rail

Durham is well served by rail links from major cities across the country. The East Coast mainline service from London King's Cross can take less than 3 hours and express links operate from Manchester, Sheffield and Leeds with cross country links from Scotland, the Midlands, and the South West. Durham Railway Station is approximately 0.8 miles from the Elvet Riverside buildings Blue Circle 25 and 1.5 miles from the Mountjoy site Red Circle 60. The number 40 Cathedral bus service runs regularly from the train station into the city centre.

To check the schedule and route visit durham.gov.uk and search for "Cathedral bus".

A University Shuttle Bus service will run from the train station. Find the shuttle bus schedule on Page 13.

By Coach

There are several express coach services daily from most major cities. The numbers X12, 5, 6 and 56 are some of the buses that run from the city bus station to the junction leading to the Palatine Centre and the Hill Colleges. See arrivabus.co.uk for timetable details. Alternatively, you can walk to the market place which is about an 8-minute walk and visit our inflatable dome where ambassadors are on hand to provide directions.

By Air

Durham is 26 miles from Newcastle Airport and 24.3 miles from Teesside International Airport. Both have regular domestic and international flights. Newcastle Airport is linked to Durham City by rail services. Teesside International Airport is 6 miles from Darlington railway station, which has regular connections to Durham.

By Road

Durham City centre is two miles from the A1(M). Leave the motorway at Junction 62 on the A690 Durham – Sunderland road and follow signs to Durham City centre. Please check your route for roadworks, which may cause delays.



Public parking

We strongly advise visitors to use public transport to travel to Durham.

Public car parks within walking distance of the city centre are:

- Prince Bishop's Shopping Centre (DH1 3UJ)
- Sidegate (DH1 5SY)
- Walkergate (DH1 1SW)
- The Riverwalk (DH1 4SJ)

Please note there is a parking charge to use these car parks.

The road running through the Market Place to the Cathedral is subject to a £2.00 congestion charge which must be paid in advance or by 18:00 on the charging day. Please call 0191 384 6633 to make payment by credit or debit card.



For more information on car parking please visit durham.gov.uk and search for Durham City Car Parks.

Park and Ride

Public transport runs from the Park and Ride car parks into Durham city. One ticket must be purchased for each passenger (£2.00 per person) when using these facilities, and the bus must be used. Park and Ride sites close at 19:00 and vehicles will be locked in overnight if still on site at this time. We recommend arriving at the Park and Ride a minimum of one hour prior to your first session as roads may be congested.

Park and Ride sites are operated by Durham County Council - please visit <https://www.durham.gov.uk/parkandride> to find out more.



Visit durham.gov.uk/transport for more travel information

- Bus timetables and routes
- Durham City Park and Ride
- Roadworks, road closures and improvement schemes
- Bus fares and passes
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