

HOW TO GET HERE (TRAVEL TALK)

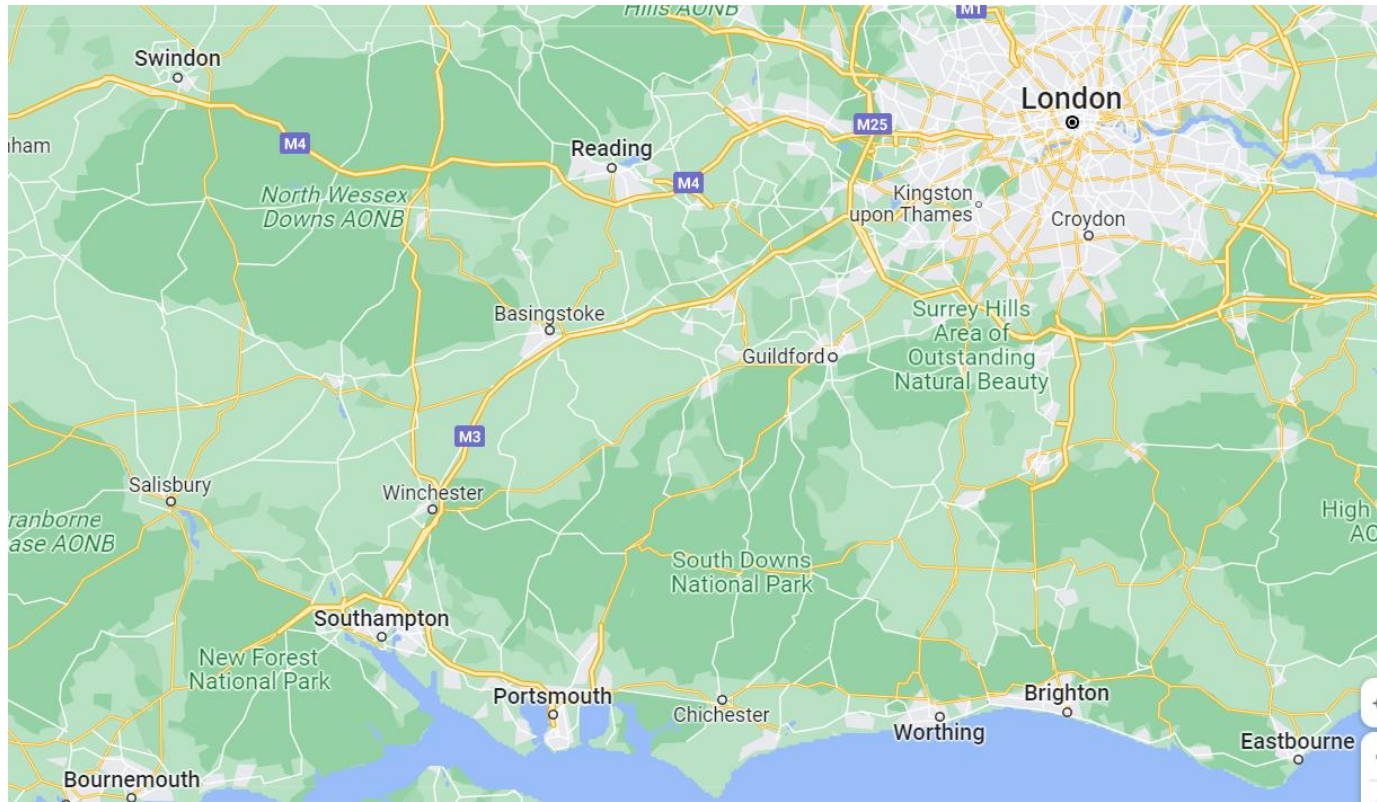
Be Prepared Webinar Series 2023



What we will cover today

- Public transport travel options from Heathrow and Gatwick airports
- Taxis
- Local travel and transport
- Student/young person's discount tickets/cards

How far are we from Heathrow/Gatwick?



[Google map link](#)

How far are we from Heathrow/Gatwick?

- Heathrow to Chichester 74.89 km (46.54 mi)
- Heathrow to Bognor Regis 78.52 km (48.79 mi)

- Gatwick to Chichester 56.42 km (35.06 mi)
- Gatwick to Bognor Regis 55.51 km (34.49 mi)

From Heathrow airport

Public transport options from Heathrow airport:

UNDERGROUND AND TRAIN

- Underground from Heathrow airport to London Victoria station & train from London Victoria Station to Chichester/ Bognor Regis

COACH AND TRAIN

- National Express coach to Gatwick airport and train to Chichester/ Bognor Regis.
- National Express coach from Heathrow Airport To London Victoria train station & train from London Victoria station to Chichester/ Bognor Regis
- National Express coach to Portsmouth and a train from Portsmouth to Chichester/ Bognor Regis

Useful websites for planning your travel:

[Transport for London](#) (Travel within London)

[National Express](#) (Coach)

[National Rail Enquiries](#) (Train)

From Gatwick airport

Public transport options from Gatwick airport

TRAIN:

- Train (train destination: Portsmouth/Southampton/Bognor Regis)
- Gatwick South terminal has a train station with direct trains to Chichester and Bognor Regis (1 hour).

Note: listen to the platform and train announcements to check that you are sitting in the correct part of the train. The train divides and one part goes towards Chichester and the other to Bognor Regis.*

***THIS APPLIES ON MOST TRAIN JOURNEYS FROM LONDON VICTORIA STATION TOWARDS CHICHESTER AND BOGNOR REGIS**

What about travel tickets?

If at all possible, it is a good idea to buy your tickets in advance (online).

Train: Southern rail (train service provider) tickets can be bought online and collected at the station using one of the self-service machines. You can also opt to have an e-ticket.

<https://www.thetrainline.com/> & <https://www.southernrailway.com/>

Coach: National Express will email you your ticket and you can either print it or save it on your smart phone.

London Underground:

- You can use a contactless debit/credit card to enter the underground, or you can buy a travel ticket from a self-service machine at the airport.
- Or as a visitor you can buy your ticket in advance via TFL <https://tfl.gov.uk/fares/how-to-pay-and-where-to-buy-tickets-and-oyster/buying-tickets-and-oyster>

What about public transport disruptions?

- Industrial Action (Strikes)
- Weather
- Improvement works

Check before you travel

<https://www.thetrainline.com/>

<https://www.southernrailway.com/travel-information/plan-your-journey/industrial-action>

<https://www.southernrailway.com/travel-information/plan-your-journey/planned-engineering-work>

What about taxis?

Taxi – an option for both airports!

If you are thinking of travelling by taxi, you should book it in advance.

[Starline Minicabs](#) (Chichester based company) is our recommendation.

You can contact this local taxi company via email to book a taxi.

Email: debbie@starlineminicabs.co.uk

- You should book at least 3 days in advance and include your name, telephone number the number of passengers, number of bags, arrival time, flight number, drop-off location (address at the university)
- The cost is approximately:
£103 + parking (between 6 am and 10 pm).
Between 10 pm and 6 and the cost is + 50% more

FAQs

Q: Does the University collect students from the airport?

A: Unfortunately we don't have an airport pick-up service.

Q: What about Uber?

A: Uber operates locally, but availability is still not great.

Q: What about taking a taxi from the airport without booking in advance?

A: Catching a taxi from the airport without booking in advance can be really expensive (£300+)!

Q: Can I travel directly to Chichester or Bognor Regis on a National Express Coach?

A: At the moment there are no coaches to either of these locations.

Chichester train station

- Located in the centre of Chichester (South Street).
- 5 minute walk from Stockbridge Student Village. 20 minute walk from the Chichester Campus.
- You can travel to London (1h 40 min), Brighton (1 h), Portsmouth (25 min), Southampton (1 h) and many other destinations!
- You can find taxis waiting outside the station. Local taxi journeys will cost around £6-£15 depending on your destination.



Bognor Regis train station



- Located in the centre of Bognor Regis (London Road).
- 15 minute walk from the Bognor Regis Campus.
- Direct trains to London (1h 40 min). If travelling to other destinations you will need to change at Barnham (1 stop from Bognor Regis).
- A taxi office and taxis are available outside the station. Local taxi journeys will cost around £6-£15 depending on your destination.

16-25 Railcard

- You can apply for a discounted railcard if you are aged between 16-25 or a mature student.
- This card gives you 1/3 off your train tickets.
- You will need to pay an application fee of £30 per year, but if you are planning to travel by train a lot during your time in the UK, it is definitely worth spending money on getting this card.

Apply online or collect an application form from the local train station

<https://www.16-25railcard.co.uk/>

Chichester bus station



- Opposite the train station
- You can catch buses to various local places within the Chichester district e.g. Selsey, Witterings, Summersdale, Tangmere, Midhurst, as well as to Bognor Regis, Worthing, Brighton and Portsmouth.
- Travelling by bus can be quite expensive for single or return journeys , unless you buy a weekly or monthly ticket.
- Please visit [Stagecoach website](#) for information on local bus services, tickets and more.

There is no central bus station in Bognor Regis, however, you can travel to and from Bognor Regis by bus.

University Bus U7/U8

- The University U7/U8 bus timetables are available on our [website](#) and Moodle.
- The U7/U8 service is free of charge to students. You will need to show your student card/online chiview personal details page when travelling.
- U8 travels between Chichester and Bognor Regis Campus without stopping.
- U7 travels from Fishbourne Halls (Tesco supermarket), via a stop near Stockbridge Halls, via Chichester Campus to Bognor Regis Campus and back.
- If you live in Stockbridge you can use “yellow” University bus tickets (£0.60 available from Stockbridge reception) to travel to Bognor Regis Campus. These tickets can be used on bus number 700 only.
- You can also buy discounted tickets to travel on bus no 50 between Chichester campus and the city centre. See our website above for more information.

Weekend and evening travel

- U7 and U8 run between Monday and Friday! There is no weekend service.
- Until the 31st October 2023 you can take advantage of the [national £2 fare](#) promotion available in England.
- At the weekend you can travel for a discounted student price of £2/£3 on 700 bus (between Chichester and Bognor Regis). You will need your student card.
- In the evenings you can buy a nightrider ticket for £2.50 (unlimited evening travel in the local area).

Check the SU website for more information on your travel options
<https://www.ucsu.org/heretohelp/intercampusbus/>

What about cycling?

- Cycling within Chichester and Bognor Regis is easy and you can cycle between the two campuses too (7 miles one way!).
- Visit the West Sussex County Council website for more information on cycling and cycling routes [here](#)
- You can buy a second-hand or new bike. If you would like to find out about second-hand options, please contact international@chi.ac.uk

REMEMBER TO BUY A LOCK FOR YOUR BIKE!

YOU WILL ALSO NEED A HELMET!

Travel tips from our current students!

- Travelling off-peak vs peak hours - <https://www.thetrainline.com/train-times/off-peak>
- Time specific tickets – you can sometimes buy cheaper advance tickets online, but the ticket can only be used on a specific service at a specific time. Consider if you can get to the station to catch the service before committing to buying the ticket. You can get a refund or use it for a different service.
- Booking tickets in advance can save you lots of money!
- Using trainline app, southern rail website, or national rail enquiries – all of these work and give correct information.
- Delay repay – see when you can get a refund <https://www.southernrailway.com/help-and-support/journey-problems/delay-repay-compensation>
- Applying for a refund or complaining about a train journey is easier if you have an account/app
- Plan your journey from Heathrow airport - <https://www.heathrow.com/transport-and-directions>
- Plan your journey from Gatwick airport - <https://www.gatwickairport.com/to-and-from/>

Useful websites

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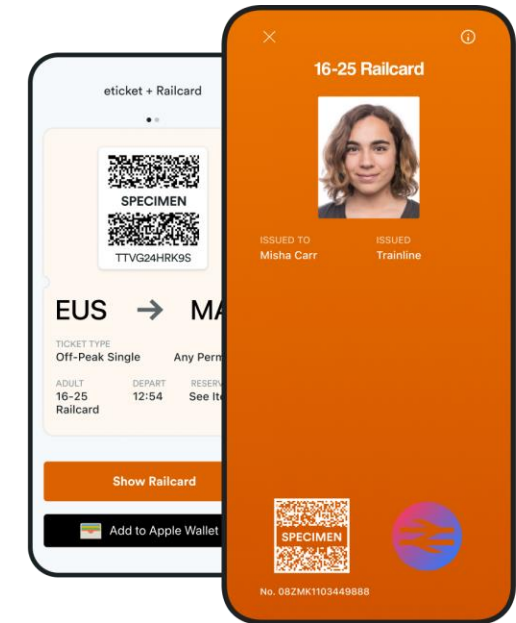
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<https://www.nationalrail.co.uk/>

<https://www.gatwickairport.com/>

<https://www.heathrow.com/>



QUESTIONS?