

International Student Support Service

International Students' Welcome Guide

2018/19







Welcome to Nottingham Trent University

This Welcome Guide will provide you with information and guidance on:

- preparing for your stay in the UK
- travelling to Nottingham
- student life at Nottingham Trent University (NTU)
- living in Nottingham and the UK.

It also includes important contact details and websites for both University services and external organisations.

We recommend that you read through the guide as you start to plan for your journey to Nottingham, and also remember to bring it with you so you can refer to it during your stay.

We hope the guide answers many of your questions and gives you a good start for your studies with us. We look forward to meeting you!

Arkwright Building, City Campus

Welcome Week 2018

Friday 21 – Sunday 30 September

A varied and vibrant programme of activities and events designed to welcome new students to Nottingham Trent University.

There are a number of events for international students which provide the opportunity to meet new people, find out more about NTU and the city of Nottingham and explore more of the UK. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/welcomeweek for further information.

If you are arriving in Nottingham before Welcome Week, visit www.ntu.ac.uk/earlyarrivals for details of events taking place before Welcome Week.



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A Message from Professor Cillian Ryan Pro Vice-Chancellor International

I am delighted to welcome you to our global student community, to our vibrant multicultural city, and to the UK's Times Higher Education University of the Year.

Nottingham is a wonderful place to live whilst you study. You have probably heard of Robin Hood and the Sheriff of Nottingham, but there are many other reasons why we are proud of our city. We are perfectly located in the heart of England, with London, the coast and lots of the UK's major attractions all within easy reach. We are consistently ranked as one of the most affordable cities for students in the UK and we have a wide selection of music festivals, sport and outdoor theatre, as well as a rich history. Nottingham is also one of only 20 locations worldwide to be named a UNESCO City of Literature, in recognition of the quality and quantity of its literary history and its diverse contemporary writing community.

Nottingham Trent University is a truly global university, with students and staff drawn from over 160 countries and a network of international partners that spans the world. We are committed to the internationalisation of our curriculum, students and staff, with the twin aims of:

- providing an international learning experience for our students, to allow them to graduate as highly employable global citizens
- increasing the global connectedness of our research.

I hope you will enjoy everything both the University and the city have to offer during your studies with us, and I look forward to welcoming you to Nottingham Trent University.

Welcome from the International Student Support Service

We are delighted that you have chosen to study at Nottingham Trent University (NTU) and would like to offer you a warm welcome. The International Student Support Service provides advice and support to all international students as you prepare for your studies at NTU, and also throughout your stay with us.

What we offer

Welcome Guide: We hope that you find the guide both interesting and informative and that it answers many of the questions you have as you start your preparations to come to Nottingham. If you do have any further questions prior to your arrival in the UK, please contact us.

Advice and information: We offer advice to all prospective and current international students on a range of issues, including visas and immigration matters. You can contact us by phone, email or in person at the Student Services Centre.

International Student Support webpages:
www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport

The International Student Support webpages provide up-to-date information on a range of issues affecting international students, including immigration matters and living and working in the UK. There are regular updates on changes to the immigration regulations and other issues affecting international students.

Welcome events: We run a dedicated international students' welcome event as well as welcome talks and social events during Welcome Week. Check the Welcome Week guide (www.ntu.ac.uk/welcomeweek) and our website for more information, and make sure you join in!

HOST: We offer a scheme where you can apply online to spend a day or a weekend with a UK family and learn more about British culture. Visit www.hostuk.org to find out more.



International Student Support Service

Tel: +44 (0)115 848 2631

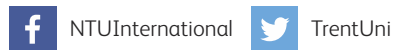
Email: int.support@ntu.ac.uk

Web: www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport

We are based in the Student Services Centre in the Newton and Arkwright building, on the City Campus.

Follow us on social media

- Meet our students and make friends before you arrive
- See what's happening on campus and get all the latest news
- Take a look at photos and videos from events around the University





Welcome from the NTU Global Lounge team

The Global Lounges on our City and Clifton Campuses are spaces where all NTU students can feel part of our global community.

You can participate in a wide range of inter-cultural activities and find out about the international opportunities available to you as an NTU student. In the Lounges, you will have the chance to meet other students from around the world during our regular (and free!) weekly events – such as our Global Community / Connect Lunches and Language Cafes – and learn about other cultures during our monthly cultural events. The Lounges also provide a friendly and relaxed environment for you to just drop in and chat with others over a coffee or tea. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/globallounge for more information.

We look forward to meeting you.

City Campus: Goldsmith Street (opposite Boots Library)

Clifton Campus: Mary Ann Evans, Room 126



NTUGlobalLounge



Global Lounge, City Campus

Your checklists

Here are some things you may need to think about before leaving for the UK.

Before you leave

Your visa

Check the visa requirements and allow yourself plenty of time to prepare your documents and submit your application so that you can arrive at NTU for the start of your course. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/tier4visa for further information about visas.

Finance

Make sure you have enough funds to cover your tuition fees, accommodation costs and living expenses for the duration of your course (see page 18).

Money for the first few weeks

It can take several weeks to open a UK bank account, so you will need to bring enough money to cover your initial expenses (see page 24).

Enrolment

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/enrolment to start the online enrolment process at NTU.

Tuition fee payments

Make arrangements to ensure that you will be able to pay your tuition fees and advance payment (if necessary) by the appropriate date. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/payments for further details.

Your accommodation

If you plan to stay in University accommodation, make sure you apply and pay the booking fee by the appropriate date: visit www.ntu.ac.uk/accommodation to confirm these dates. If you will be looking for private accommodation on arrival, organise somewhere to stay while you search (see page 31).

Specific support

Make sure you inform either your School Office or the Disability Support Service if you are likely to require specific support or arrangements because of a disability. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/disability for more information.

Insurance

Make arrangements to take out insurance for your personal belongings (see page 66). This can be done on arrival, but you may want to take out travel insurance to cover you for your journey and the first few days in Nottingham. Check whether you require health insurance to cover the cost of any medical treatment you might need during your stay in the UK (see page 35).



Nottingham rail station

Your official documents

Take photocopies of your important documents (passport, visa, etc) in case you lose them in transit or while in the UK, and keep these copies in a safe place.

Travelling to Nottingham

Plan how you will travel from your port of arrival in the UK (for example, Heathrow Airport) to your accommodation in Nottingham. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/myjourney for lots of great tips on organising your travels.

Clothing

The weather in the UK is very variable and September to March can be particularly cold, so make sure you pack clothes that are suitable for all seasons, especially the winter (see page 71).

Connect with us



Join the NTU International Student Network on Facebook

www.facebook.com/NTUInternational

Your checklists

Here are some things you need to do when you arrive in the UK and during your first few weeks at NTU.

On arrival

- Contact your family and friends at home so they know you have arrived safely.
- Find out where your local supermarket is and buy food.
- Make sure you've got the essentials for your new home (kitchen equipment, bedding).
- Collect your Biometric Residence Permit (BRP). Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/brpcollection for more information.

During your first week

Enrolment

- Ensure you have completed the online enrolment process at www.ntu.ac.uk/enrolment
- If you are a non-EU / EEA student, provide the University with a copy of your passport and visa.
- Make arrangements to pay your tuition fees – see www.ntu.ac.uk/payments for further details.
- Collect your student ID card (Smartcard).

Course induction

- Find out where you have to be and when on the first day of your course.
- Attend all of your course induction events, which will communicate the important information you need to succeed in your course at NTU. Go to www.ntu.ac.uk/startingatntu for more information.

Welcome Week

- Visit the Welcome Points for international students to collect a welcome pack and find out about Welcome Week events, and ask our Student Ambassadors any questions you may have about life at NTU!
- Take part in the University's Welcome Week activities, which run during the week prior to term starting in September. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/welcome to see what's on offer.
- Find out how the International Student Support Service can support you, especially with immigration matters. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport for more details.
- Check out what's on offer at NTU for international students.
- Check out the Students' Union Freshers' Fairs, which are a great opportunity to learn more about what the Students' Union has to offer (and get some free stuff!).



□ Travel

- Find out how to travel to / from your accommodation to the University campus where your classes will be based (see page 78).
- Use the maps at the end of this guide to have a look around the campuses and the city of Nottingham, and get to know your local area.

□ Finally, don't forget to

- Register with the police (this is a requirement for certain nationalities after you arrive in the UK, and will be detailed on your letter from UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) once your embassy grants your visa). Further information is available on our website: **www.ntu.ac.uk/polliceregistration**
- Take out adequate insurance to cover your possessions (see page 66).
- Open a UK bank account – visit **www.ntu.ac.uk/ukbankaccount** to find out how.
- Register with a doctor (see page 36).
- Keep in touch with people from home and new friends you meet in Nottingham.
- Find out where the International Student Support Service is based, and when it is available – visit **www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport** for details.

Immigration

All students from outside the EU / EEA need the correct immigration permission to study. For the majority of students this will be a Tier 4 (general) student visa. If you are currently overseas, you will need to obtain a Tier 4 visa before travelling to the UK. The International Student Support Service provides information and advice on immigration matters.

All students from outside the EU / EEA are advised to check what visa they will need to study at NTU. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/visas to find out more.

Tier 4 student visa application support

Students applying outside the UK

All students are advised to check our website (www.ntu.ac.uk/tier4) for full guidance on making a visa application. You can make your Tier 4 visa application no more than three months before your course start date. The earliest your visa can start is one month before your course start date.

You must meet the conditions of your offer and get a CAS number before being able to apply. You must also make sure that you have prepared the relevant documents and meet the maintenance requirement.

In all cases you should ensure that you allow yourself enough time for your visa to be processed and to travel to the UK in advance of your course start date. Visit www.gov.uk/visa-processing-times to check the visa processing times in your country.

The International Student Support Service can support you with your visa application by answering any questions you have about the requirements and the application process. We can also check documents to ensure they comply with UKVI requirements.

On arrival in the UK

Students who have been granted a Tier 4 visa overseas will be given a temporary entry clearance sticker in their passport and will be required to collect a permanent Biometric Residence Permit on arrival in the UK.

Please visit www.ntu.ac.uk/brpcollection for further information about the process you will need to follow.

Police registration

Certain international students are required to register with the police within seven days of arrival in the UK as a condition of their visa. During term time, a police representative is available in the Student Services Centre to do this. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/police-registration for more information.

Immigration

Students applying in the UK

The International Student Support Service provides comprehensive support to students applying from within the UK, including a Tier 4 student visa application checking service.

Once you have prepared your application and your documents, you can submit them to the International Student Support Service for checking by an adviser. Once your application is complete, the University can send it to UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) on your behalf. This service is subject to terms and conditions, including strict deadlines. You must therefore ensure that you allow yourself sufficient time to check the Tier 4 visa requirements, ensuring that you meet them and prepare all of the necessary documentation.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport for further details.



Student Services Centre, Newton

Your Tier 4 responsibilities

As a student at NTU on a Tier 4 visa, there are certain requirements that you must meet and obligations that NTU has as your immigration sponsor. These include ensuring that you have a suitable visa valid for study at NTU, keeping the University updated with your contact details, abiding by the conditions of your visa and maintaining attendance on your course of study. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/yourtier4 for further information about these.

If you have any queries or concerns about these responsibilities, please contact the International Student Support Service.

Information for EEA students

The rights of EEA citizens remain unchanged while the UK is still a member of the European Union. EEA students have the right to enter the UK freely, and have the right to reside in the UK as a student provided they have comprehensive sickness insurance (CSI). Therefore, you must ensure you either have a EHIC card issued by your home country, or arrange comprehensive private medical insurance.

Visit <https://www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EEA--Swiss-Students/Staying-in-the-UK-as-a-student> for more information.

Further information

International Student Support Service: www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport

UK Council for International Student Affairs UKCISA: www.ukcisa.org.uk

UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI): www.gov.uk/uk-visas-immigration

Your journey to Nottingham

Nottingham is easily accessed by road and rail from all of the UK's major airports. The closest airport to Nottingham is East Midlands (EMA), which mainly handles flights to and from Europe. If your flight arrives very late at night, it is advisable to book yourself into a hotel for the night. Visit www.airporthotels4less.co.uk for information on hotel bookings.

Travelling to Nottingham from the major airports

If you are not using the University's free airport pickup service in September or January (see information on page 16), you can travel by coach (bus) or train from all of the major UK airports. Travel fares can vary depending on what day and time you travel and how far in advance you book your ticket. We therefore recommend that you book in advance and check timetables before you arrive in the UK.

Coach travel

National Express coaches travel to Nottingham directly from all of the major airports. Visit www.nationalexpress.com for more information.

Train travel

Regular train services operate from all of the UK's main cities to Nottingham. Visit www.nationalrail.co.uk for further details.

London Underground

If you are arriving in London and travelling to Nottingham by train, you can take the London Underground direct from Heathrow and Gatwick Airports to London St Pancras International train station. Visit www.tfl.gov.uk for further information.

Travelling from East Midlands Airport

A regular Skylink bus service runs 24 hours a day between East Midlands Airport and Nottingham city centre. Tickets can be purchased from the bus driver on the date of travel – visit www.trentbarton.co.uk for more information.

Alternatively, you can book an Arrow Cars taxi online at www.eastmidlandsairport.com or from the taxi office outside the EMA Arrivals area on the day.

UK airport locations



Your journey to Nottingham

Travelling from Nottingham train and bus stations to the University

Nottingham's train and coach stations are located close to the city centre, and we advise that you take a taxi (green Hackney carriage) from either of the stations' taxi ranks direct to your accommodation when you first arrive.

Students studying at Brackenhurst Campus, located in Southwell – a town just outside of Nottingham – can alternatively choose to travel by train to Newark North Gate station (train services to Newark operate directly from London King's Cross and from Manchester Piccadilly via Doncaster), and then take a taxi to Brackenhurst from Newark station.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/maps for further information on travel to the University.



NET Nottingham tram

Your journey to Nottingham

Free airport pickup service

The University offers a free airport pickup service from Heathrow on the weekend before Welcome Week in September and in January. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/meetandgreet to find out more and book your place.

Taxi booking

We are able to book taxis to collect you from UK airports. Booking through the University gives you better rates than booking direct. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/taxibooking to find out more and make a booking.

Arrival airport	Means of transport to Nottingham	Approximate journey time
London Heathrow (LHR)	Coach (direct from Heathrow Airport central bus station or Terminals 1 – 5)	3 – 5 hours
	Train (direct from London St Pancras station, use London Underground from Heathrow)	3.25 hours
London Gatwick (LGW)	Coach (direct from North or South terminal)	4.5 – 5 hours
	Train (via London St Pancras)	3.25 hours
East Midlands (EMA)	Skylink airport shuttle bus service	55 minutes
Birmingham International (BHX)	Coach (via Digbeth coach station)	2.5 hours
	Train (via Birmingham New Street station)	2 hours
Manchester (MAN)	Coach (direct from the station at Manchester airport)	5 hours
	Train (via Manchester Piccadilly, Wilmslow or Stockport stations)	2.5 hours
Stansted (STN)	Coach (direct from Stansted airport terminal)	3.5 – 4.5 hours
	Train (via Peterborough, Leicester or Grantham stations)	3 hours

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/myjourney for more detailed information on planning your journey to Nottingham.

Your journey to Nottingham



Nottingham canal

“Bring a watch! Being on time is very important here.”

Ahmed Omar Aghalli, Libya

MA English Language Teaching

Money

Planning your finances

Coming to study in the UK is a considerable financial commitment and it is extremely important that you think carefully about all of the costs involved for the full duration of your course before you start your studies. The University does not have any funding to help students who experience difficulties paying their tuition fees or living expenses. Students who arrive without sufficient funds to cover both their tuition fees and living expenses often cannot complete their courses and have to return home. It is therefore essential that you secure funding to cover all your expenses prior to starting your course.



Nottingham's oldest inn

Living costs

We have put together a list of potential living costs to help you to budget for your time in Nottingham. How much you actually spend will depend on your personal lifestyle. Also, remember that your expenses will increase each year.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport for more information about the amount of money that you will need to show you meet the maintenance requirement for your Tier 4 visa application.



Nottingham city shopping

Money

Tuition fees 2018/19

Level of study	Payment dates						
<p>Undergraduate and postgraduate students paying international student fees</p> <p>All international (non-EEA) students are required to make an advanced payment of £3,000. This must be made at the time you accept your offer of study, in order to secure your place.</p>	<p>Payment should be made in full on enrolment, or by instalments which need to be set up by Monday 1 October 2018:</p> <table> <tr> <td>22 October 2018</td> <td>50% of the balance of fees after deducting £3,000 advanced payment.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 February 2019</td> <td>Remaining balance.</td> </tr> </table>	22 October 2018	50% of the balance of fees after deducting £3,000 advanced payment.	4 February 2019	Remaining balance.		
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<p>Undergraduate students paying home fees</p>	<p>By tuition fee loan</p> <p>Most students can apply for a tuition fee loan to cover the cost of their tuition fees (see page 21).</p> <p>If you are not applying for a tuition fee loan, payment can be made in full on enrolment or by three equal instalments which need to be set up by Monday 1 October 2018:</p> <p>By instalments</p> <table> <tr> <td>5 November 2018</td> <td>first instalment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>31 January 2019</td> <td>second instalment</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30 April 2019</td> <td>third instalment</td> </tr> </table>	5 November 2018	first instalment	31 January 2019	second instalment	30 April 2019	third instalment
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Further information about paying your tuition fees can be found on page 20.

Money

Paying by GlobalPay from overseas

As an international student, you can now pay your tuition and NTU accommodation fees by using the GlobalPay for Students platform (<https://student.globalpay.wu.com/>), powered by our partner Western Union Business Solutions. This service allows you to pay in your local currency and from your home bank account with favourable exchange rates, reducing and removing the charges that could potentially lead to fee shortfalls.

In order to use the service, you must provide student and payer details, including your NTU ID number as a reference to help us identify your payment. You will then be provided with a quote in your local currency, which will be held for three days – at this time, you instruct your bank to transfer funds to Western Union Business Solutions, who then forward the payment to NTU. Further details – including a user guide – can be found on the above webpage.

Paying your tuition fees

The following provides a brief overview of paying your tuition fees. We will send you more detailed information about when and how to pay. If you are paying your own fees, you will not be able to fully enrol at the University until you have paid your fees in full, or set up appropriate instalment arrangements.

Payment methods

You can pay your tuition fees online by debit or credit card, or by direct debit from a UK bank account. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/onlinepayment to make a payment or set up a direct debit. The online payment facility provides the opportunity to make an immediate payment in full or set up an instalment arrangement. You will need your NTU ID number to use the online payment system. You will already have received this ID number in your offer letter from NTU. If any assistance is required in using the online system, email finfinanceincomedebtmanagement@ntu.ac.uk or telephone **+44 (0)115 848 6500** for advice and guidance.

The University will also accept full payment of fees by cash, banker's draft, bank transfer or UK cheque by Monday 1 October 2018. If you wish to pay by instalments, you may pay your first instalment by a banker's draft or bank transfer by Monday 1 October 2018. To set up your payment plan, contact Finance and Income Debt Management on **+44 (0)115 848 6500** or visit the finance desks in the Student Services Centre (City Campus), Student Centre (Clifton Campus) or the Finance Office (Brackenhurst Campus). You will need either your UK bank details, or a credit / debit card.

Please make sure that you are fully aware of your financial obligations with regard to the payment of your fees, including the refund policy should you withdraw from your course.

This information is held in the Fee Payment Conditions, visit www.ntu.ac.uk/onlinepayment for full details.

You should contact your course administrator if you need further information on this matter.

Money

Tuition fee loan for undergraduate students paying home fees

In 2018/19, the full-time home undergraduate tuition fee will be £9,250. Tuition fees are payable each year, and may increase for subsequent years of study in line with inflation, and as specified by the government. Subject to meeting certain eligibility criteria, EU students will be able to apply for a tuition fee loan from the Student Loans Company to cover the full cost of their fees in 2018/19. This loan is not means-tested and will be paid directly to the University on your behalf. You will pay back this loan after you have left university and are earning more than a certain amount (this varies depending on your country of residence).

Visit www.gov.uk/student-finance/eu-students for further information regarding eligibility criteria and application details.

The Student Finance Services Non-UK team within Student Finance England is responsible for processing the fee loan and can be contacted on **+44 (0)141 243 3570**.

The UK Council for International Student Affairs website (www.ukcisa.org.uk) provides information about eligibility for home fees and student support for EU students and EEA and Swiss migrant workers.



Student Services Centre, Newton

US Federal Direct Stafford Student Loans

Nottingham Trent University participates in the Federal Direct Loan Program for eligible US students attending certain programmes of study. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/usloans for further information.



For further fee payment information, contact Finance Income and Debt Management:

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 6500**

Email: finfinanceincomedebtmanagement@ntu.ac.uk

www.ntu.ac.uk/pay

Money

One-off costs

Expense	Approximate cost
Bedding (duvet, pillows, sheets, pillowcases)	£40
Kitchen equipment (plates, cutlery, pans)	£40
Insurance for personal belongings (in private accommodation)	£150 per year
Television licence	£147 per year
Laptop	from £230
Tablet	from £150
Membership of a student society	£1 to £10
Gym membership (at University gym)	£80 to £110 per year (off-peak / peak)

Weekly costs

Expense	Approximate cost (per week)
University residences (standard room)	From £97 to £166 with some bills included (Average cost is £100)
Private shared house or flat for four people	From £87 to £110 (bills not included)
Private house or flat for two people or fewer	From £65 to £120 (bills not included)
Private hall of residence	From £102 to £170 (bills usually included)
Food / meals (cooking at home)	£40
Electricity, gas and water bills	£40 to £60
Mobile phone	From £5
Broadband connection in private accommodation	From £18 per month
Course costs (e.g. books, materials and stationery)	£15
Travel (within Nottingham)	£15 per week
Social activities	From £15

Money

Here are a few examples of prices for everyday items (based on UK supermarket brand prices).

Food stuffs and groceries

Dried pasta (500 g)	£0.59
Basmati rice (500 g)	£1
Potatoes (white, 2.5 kg)	£2
Bread (800 g loaf)	£1.10
Milk (1 pint / 0.5 litre)	£0.50
Instant coffee (200 g)	£2
Orange juice (1 litre)	£0.65
Cola (2 litre bottle)	£0.55
Whole chicken	£3.18
Butter (250 g)	£1.80
Cheddar cheese (500 g)	£2.50
Eggs (6)	£0.89
Pasta sauce	£0.75
Oranges (each)	£0.30
Tinned tomatoes (400g)	£0.95
Washing powder (2.6 kg box)	£4
Toothpaste (100 ml)	£1.50
Shampoo (400 ml)	£3
Shower gel (250 ml)	£1

Clothes

Winter coat	From £45
Winter shoes	From £30
Jumper	From £20
Trousers	From £25
Scarf	From £8
Hat	From £8

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/moneymatters for more information, including guidance on managing your money and a handy budget planner.



The Exchange arcade

Money

Bringing money into the UK

You may bring as much money as you like, and in any form, into the UK. If you bring more than and €10,000 (or the equivalent in another currency) in cash (including bank notes, banker's drafts, cheques, travellers' cheques), you will need to declare this sum and hand in a cash declaration form on arrival at the airport. Visit www.gov.uk/bringing-cash-into-uk for further information.

You will need to ask your bank at home if there are any restrictions governing the transfer of funds to the UK, and what your options are for international money transfers.

How much money should I bring with me to the UK?

You will need to bring some money with you to cover your initial expenses. We do not recommend that you bring large amounts of cash. It can take from two to four weeks to open and use a UK bank account, so make sure you have ways to access money while you wait for your UK account to open.

The amount of money you will need to cover your initial expenses will depend on your accommodation situation. If you have already organised and made all of the appropriate payments for your accommodation, £400 should probably cover your initial expenses until you open a bank account. If you are looking for accommodation in the private sector, you will usually be required to pay a deposit and one or more month's rent in advance, so you will need to budget accordingly.

If you are planning to use a credit or debit card from your bank at home when you arrive in the UK, you should check before you leave if you can use it in the UK, and if there are any limits on the amount you can withdraw / pay per day. You should also check how much money you will be charged each time you use your card. The most common credit cards in the UK are Visa and MasterCard.



Money

Top tips for managing your money

Plan ahead

- Draw up a weekly budget and stick to it! Work out what your weekly costs are, so you can see what you have left over to spend on the non-essentials.
- Download a budgeting app for free. They are very useful and can help you keep track of your daily expenditure and bank balance.

Take advantage of student discounts

- Use your NTU Smartcard in restaurants, shops, cinemas, bars, hairdressers and travel agents in and around the city to receive discounts for students. Always ask if they give student reductions otherwise you may lose out!
- Download the 'My UniDAYS' app to unlock even more discounts, both in-store and online.

Bills (gas, electricity, water, telephone)

- Take gas and electricity meter readings when you move in and out of your new home to ensure you only pay for energy you have used.
- Switch off lights when you are not in the room and be careful with heating.

Reduce your day-to-day spending

- If possible, walk or cycle to University rather than taking the bus.
- If you do use the bus or tram frequently, it is cheaper to use a monthly / termly / annual travel pass.
- Prepare a packed lunch rather than buying it in a café.
- Before buying any books, check what is essential and find out what is available in the library or second hand.

Entertainment

- Bars and clubs near campus will almost always be student-friendly, in attitude and price.
- If you will be going home late, share a taxi with friends.
- Entertain at home: inviting friends around is a great way to spend an evening. You can also share the cost by asking your friends to bring some food with them.

Further advice

Money advice and help with planning your budget is available from the University's Student Financial Support Service.

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 2494**

Email: **financial.support@ntu.ac.uk**

Money



Boots Library, City Campus

Money

Opening a bank account

Before opening a bank account, make sure you read our guidance note which is available to download from www.ntu.ac.uk/ukbankaccount – it includes a list of documents you will be required to provide to open your account, a full list of banking terms and a helpful comparison of different banks in Nottingham and the accounts that they offer to international students.

Here are a few things to consider when opening a bank account:

- It takes at least 2 to 4 weeks to open a bank account.
- Check what documents you will need in order to open a bank account – this normally includes providing a UK address.
- Check with a few different banks to see which one offers the most suitable account for your needs.
- As an international student, you may not have access to the full range of banking facilities that are normally available to UK residents, such as overdrafts.

The major high street banks in the UK are:

- Santander: www.santander.co.uk (this bank has a branch on the City Campus)
- HSBC: www.hsbc.co.uk
- Lloyds: www.lloydsbank.com
- Halifax: www.halifax.co.uk
- Natwest: www.natwest.co.uk
- TSB: www.tsb.co.uk
- Barclays: www.barclays.co.uk

Further information on opening a UK bank account is available from the British Bankers' Association.

Visit www.bba.org.uk/publication/leaflets/international-students to find out more.

British money

British money is made up of pounds (£) and pence (p). 100 pence equals £1.

Coins: 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1, £2

Notes: £5, £10, £20, £50



1 penny



2 pence



5 pence



10 pence



20 pence



50 pence



1 pound
(100 pence)



2 pound
(200 pence)

Accommodation

In order to make the most of your time in Nottingham, it is important to feel secure and comfortable in your accommodation. International students are often concerned about where they will live, but don't panic. There is a variety of accommodation available. Firstly, you need to decide what type of accommodation you wish to live in.

University accommodation

If you're a new student at NTU, we will definitely offer you a place in one of our University-allocated residences – as long as you book before 31 July. This could be in a University-owned hall of residence, a hall of residence run by our partner providers or private companies, or accredited shared housing. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/accommodation to find out more, or to make your booking.



Byron Residence, City Campus

There are approximately 4,500 places for students, and a range of accommodation, including studio style, en-suite, or with shared bathroom facilities. All of these rooms are covered by an out of hours security service. All bedrooms are fully furnished and offer free Wi-Fi broadband Internet. All University accommodation is self-catered with kitchen and dining areas shared with other students in the flat. Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms. In some residences, a cleaning service is provided in communal areas. Some residences are within walking distance of the city centre, while others may be a short bus or tram ride away.

Please be aware that you will be required to sign an agreement for a fixed period (usually 44 or 51 weeks). It is very important that you are aware that you are responsible for paying the residence fees for the entire period stated, even if you leave the accommodation early. It is therefore advisable to ensure that the residence and room meet your requirements before you book your accommodation. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/accommodation for further details about all University residences, including prices.

Depending on room availability, accommodation may be arranged for students coming to NTU for less than a full academic year.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/flexibleaccommodation to find out more. Alternatively, please refer to the information on Homestay Accommodation (see page 30).



Byron Residence, City Campus



Accommodation

Homestay accommodation

NTU offer a Homestay service for international and postgraduate students. This gives students the opportunity to live in the UK with a family, and experience life in the UK in a more authentic and natural environment. This accommodation is paid for on a weekly basis and the length of stay will be agreed before you move in. Most homestay properties are located approximately 20 - 30 minutes by bus from the city centre. The cost of for catered Homestay accommodation is £120 per week.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/homestay to find out more.

Private rented accommodation

Private houses and flats are usually furnished, most students share with other students to keep the rental cost down. Kitchen and bathroom facilities are shared and you will have to do your own cleaning. The cost of flats and houses will vary according to the size, location and condition of the property. Rent can be inclusive or exclusive of bills. The average rent for a room in a private shared house in Nottingham is approximately £75 – £90 per week, excluding utilities (gas, electricity, water etc.) plus a deposit (probably equivalent to one month's rent) payable before moving into the accommodation. Gas, electricity and water cost approximately £20 per person, per week.

Privately owned large residences are becoming increasingly popular. They are usually similar in style to University residences with groups of students living together in cluster flats. They are available with shared kitchen facilities in most cases and with shared or en-suite bathroom facilities.

Sandby flexible contracts

Sandby Hall of Residence has a number of rooms that are used to accommodate students seeking a shorter contract length than the standard academic year. The specific contract lengths vary year-on-year but always coincide with the following course dates:

- Term One
- Semester One
- Semester Two
- 51-week contract (January start)
- Summer accommodation for students on PEAP courses

This accommodation is en-suite with shared kitchen facilities.

Family accommodation

If you want to bring your family with you, it is recommended you come to Nottingham on your own first to look for accommodation. The University does not provide any family accommodation and, as in most cities, accommodation for families with children is more difficult to obtain. However, if you allow yourself time to look for accommodation, you should be successful. Rents for family accommodation can vary greatly, depending on quality, area and furnishings.

The following prices are a guide and do not include utility bills:

- £120 – £180 per week for a one-bedroom flat for two people
- £160 – £250 per week for a three-bedroom family house.

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Top tips on private rented accommodation

- There is plenty of private rented accommodation in Nottingham so you can take your time to search for a room that is suitable for you.
- Private accommodation is available in shared houses / flats as well as private halls of residence.
- You can start your search online (e.g. by searching for private halls or checking the NTU accommodation forum, <http://ntuaccommodation.boardhost.com>) before you come to Nottingham but you are advised not to book a room or make any payments until you have visited it yourself and checked that it is suitable for you.
- If you are arriving in Nottingham without accommodation, you are advised to book temporary accommodation for the first couple of nights (see www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk/stay).
- Once you have found suitable accommodation, you will have to enter into a written contract with the landlord or landlady (owner of the property). Before signing the contract, you should read it carefully. If you have any questions about it, or if you want to understand your legal rights as a tenant, you can check with the Information and Advice Service in the Students' Union (see page 58).
- Check the length of the contract and ensure you are happy to commit for the full contract period.
- Most landlords require students to pay a deposit of at least one month's rent before they move in. The landlord is required to put your deposit in a government-backed tenancy deposit scheme. This will ensure your deposit is returned to you at the end of the contract provided you have met the terms of the tenancy agreement, not damaged the property or furniture and paid your rent and bills.

- Many landlords also require international students to either have a UK guarantor, or to pay their rent (for the entire duration of the contract) in advance. Make sure you have access to sufficient funds to cover this.
- Always get a receipt for any monies paid to landlords or agents.
- Rent is normally paid monthly, usually by standing order (instructing your bank to pay a sum to the landlord at a specific time each month).
- You may be required to pay for household bills in addition to your rent, including gas, electricity, water and telephone / Internet provision. If you are sharing with other people, it will therefore be helpful to agree a system for paying the bills fairly and on time.
- You will not be able to open a UK bank account until your UK address is confirmed.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/privatesectorhousehunting for further information about searching for and living in private accommodation.



Trent Lets is NTU's own lettings agency. It offers students a full lettings service as part of our Student Accommodation Service. All our properties will be inspected by our team to ensure they meet our high standards and we work closely with landlords to give you the best possible experience. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/trentlets for further information.



Gill Street South, City Campus

Accommodation

Council Tax

This is a government tax for the provision of local services, calculated according to the value of the property in which you are living. Students studying on a full-time course are exempt from paying Council Tax. The Academic Office at NTU informs local councils of all our full-time, fully enrolled students' term-time addresses at regular intervals throughout the year, so for most students Council Tax exemption will happen automatically and you will not need to do anything yourself. However, if you are specifically requested to produce a Council Tax Exemption Certificate you can request one from the Academic Office. Visit the Resources section of www.ntu.ac.uk/currentstudents to complete an online request form for a Council Tax Exemption Certificate.

If you are living in the UK with anyone who is not a full-time student, they may be liable to pay some Council Tax, depending on their personal situation. You can find further information on the UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA) website at www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/Fees-and-Money/Council-Tax or for further advice, contact the Information and Advice Centre in the Students' Union (page 58) or the International Student Support Service (page 50).



Television licence

You need a TV Licence to watch or record live TV programmes on any channel or to download or watch any BBC programmes on iPlayer – live, catch up or on demand. This applies to any provider you use and any device, including a TV, desktop computer, laptop, mobile phone, tablet, games console, digital box or DVD / VHS recorder.

A licence costs £147 per year (as of January 2018). If you do not have a licence, you could face prosecution and a fine of up to £1,000. You will need a licence if you are living in halls of residence and using a TV in your own room. If you are sharing a house (private accommodation) with other students and have a joint tenancy agreement for the whole house, you will need one TV licence between you. If you have a separate tenancy agreement for your room, you will need your own TV licence.

Visit www.tvlicensing.co.uk for further information and to find out about purchasing your licence.

Accommodation Services team

Student Services Centre

Central Court

Newton / Arkwright building

Tel: +44 (0)115 848 2894

Email: accommodation@ntu.ac.uk

www.ntu.ac.uk/accommodation

Health

Healthcare in the UK

If you are an international student studying in the UK for six months or more, you are entitled to access the National Health Service (NHS) in the same way as permanent residents, if you have paid the NHS Immigration Health Surcharge as part of your UK Visa application.

If you have a spouse and / or children who are with you in the UK as dependants, they will also be entitled to access the NHS. (This also applies to babies aged 3 months or less born in the UK to a parent who is able to fully use the NHS, and who have not been taken out of the country since birth). This includes consultations with a doctor otherwise known as a general practitioner (GP), and both emergency and follow-up treatment in an NHS hospital free of charge. NHS charges can be made for medicines prescribed by your GP and for some services, e.g. travel vaccinations and dental and optical treatment.

European Health Insurance Card holders

If you are a European Economic Area (EEA) / Swiss national and you have obtained a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) from your home country before your arrival, you and your family members who are card-holders are eligible to access the NHS in the same way as UK residents. You can visit www.nhs.uk/VisitingEngland or contact your own government's Department of Health for more information about the EHIC.

If your stay in the UK is likely to be permanent or you are unable to obtain an EHIC card from your country of residence, you will need to obtain Comprehensive Sickness Insurance (CSI) from a private insurer. Visit www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice/EEA--Swiss-Students/Staying-in-the-UK-as-a-student for further information.

If you are a non-EEA / non-Swiss national, and your course lasts less than six months, we strongly encourage you to obtain private medical insurance before your arrival in the UK (see page 35) as free NHS healthcare is not normally provided except in the following cases:

Emergency treatment – This covers initial (but not follow-up) treatment only given in an NHS Emergency Department of a hospital; treatment of certain infectious diseases such as meningitis; compulsory psychiatric treatment; and use of contraception and sexual health services. These are all free for anyone.

Reciprocal healthcare agreements – If you are a national of one of the countries which has a reciprocal healthcare agreement with the UK, you will be entitled to some hospital treatment if this is covered by the agreement. However, please note that this is generally limited to immediate medical treatment to allow you to return home for follow-on care. Before you travel, we recommend that you seek advice from the health authorities in your home country about what will be covered.

Visit the "Health and Healthcare" pages at www.ukcisa.org.uk/Information--Advice for guidance on medical treatment under the UK state health system, as well as a list of countries with reciprocal healthcare agreements.

Health

Looking after your health in the UK

Medical insurance

If you are not entitled to free NHS treatment (page 34), you will be charged at a high rate for any hospital treatment you receive in the UK. Therefore, make sure that you have adequate medical insurance before you leave your country, to cover you from the beginning of your stay in the UK. Even if you can access free NHS treatment in the UK, it may still be worthwhile taking out private health insurance for other medical-related costs, e.g. lost fees if you are unable to complete your course, or the cost of returning to your home country for treatment. If you already have medical insurance in your home country, check whether you can extend it to cover your stay in the UK or look at options available from UK insurers e.g. Endsleigh (www.endsleigh.co.uk), which offers special insurance policies for international students.



Your medical records and vaccinations

Before you travel to the UK, it is useful to obtain a full history of your vaccinations from your doctor at home (including your travel vaccines). This information will be helpful for the health centre at which you register after your arrival in the UK (see next section). We recommend that you ask your doctor about having a Meningitis ACWY vaccination and mumps vaccination before you travel. Otherwise, arrange to be immunised at your health centre or GP practice in the UK. Visit our “Health Centre” pages on www.ntu.ac.uk/healthprotection for information on other recommended vaccinations, including measles, mumps, and rubella. Go to www.nhs.uk/conditions/mumps and www.nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis/ for further details on mumps and meningitis.

N.B. Students (and their dependants) who are coming to the UK for more than six months, and who are residents of certain countries, will need to have a TB (tuberculosis) test done before they apply for their Tier 4 visa. Visit www.gov.uk/tb-test-visa for further details, and a list of countries requiring tests.

Health

Registering with the University Health Centres

You and your dependants are normally entitled to register with a local doctor, also known as a general practitioner (GP), regardless of the length of your course and whether or not you are entitled to free hospital treatment. We strongly recommend you register as soon as possible after you arrive in the UK and do not wait until you are ill.

You can register with either of the University's two health centres located on both the Clifton and City campuses. These have their own doctors (male and female) and nurses who can offer a wide range of services and treatments including contraception and sexual health services, asthma checks, immunisation and dietary advice. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/healthcentres for further details, including opening hours and booking appointments.

If you are living at the Brackenhurst campus, you can register with the Southwell Medical Centre, The Ropewalk, Southwell (**+44 (0)1636 813561**). For advice on registering with a non-University local GP practice, visit <http://healthwatchnottingham.co.uk/services/doctor/> or telephone **+44 (0)115 859 9511**.



Student Health Centre

City Campus health centre
Radford Medical Practice
Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 6481**

Clifton Campus health centre
Sunrise Medical Practice
Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 3100**

Visiting a GP

Your GP can treat most illnesses and is normally the first point of contact if you require non-emergency medical treatment. If (s)he recommends medicine, (s)he may write a prescription for you to take to a local pharmacist to obtain medicine. In England, most people pay for their prescriptions and the current cost for each item prescribed is £8.60 (for information on financial support towards prescription charges, see page 37). Antibiotics are prescribed to treat bacterial infections and in the UK, it is common for GPs not to prescribe them for viral infections such as cold and flu. Instead, you may be asked to rest, drink lots of fluids and take paracetamol and ibuprofen to relieve your symptoms. For other medical conditions, if your GP recommends that you see a specialist (s)he will refer you to a local hospital.

If you have an urgent health problem and need to be seen by a GP outside of your local surgery opening hours, visit the NHS Urgent Care Centre at Seaton House, London Road, Nottingham, NG2 4LA (www.nottinghamcity.nhs.uk/your-services/urgent-care-centre.html)

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Dealing with medical emergencies

If you require emergency medical assistance (e.g. because of an accident), you will need to go directly to an Emergency Department at your local hospital. In Nottingham, this is the Queen's Medical Centre hospital on Derby Road (**0115 924 9924**; www.nuh.nhs.uk). You should only telephone 999 and call for an ambulance if you are not well enough to travel to the hospital (your call will be free and can be made from any phone including a mobile phone).

The NHS 111 service

If you need telephone advice on a health problem (which is not an emergency) or you are unsure which NHS service to use, telephone **111**; it is free to call from a landline or telephone 24 hours a day.

NHS dental and optical treatment

You should try to have your teeth checked by a dentist at least once a year. Dental treatment in Britain, including regular check-ups, has to be paid for by most people; however, you will pay less if you are able to register as an NHS patient. Visit www.nhs.uk to find details of NHS dentists in your local area.

In the UK, eyecare is provided by opticians who usually operate from high street shops. You will normally have to pay for an eye test on the NHS (currently £20) and additional costs for glasses and contact lenses.

Financial support towards prescription, dental and opticians' charges

If you are under 19, studying full-time and you are eligible for NHS treatment, you do not have to pay for your prescriptions, dental treatment or eye tests. Visit www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/healthcosts/pages/prescriptioncosts.aspx for further information.

Sexual health

You may find that attitudes towards sex in the UK differ from those in your own country. The age of consent for sexual intercourse in the UK is 16 regardless of gender or sexual orientation. If you qualify for NHS treatment, you are entitled to free contraception. Some forms of contraception, such as condoms, will protect you against sexually transmitted infections and can help avoid pregnancy. Condoms can easily be bought from chemists and supermarkets, and lots of sexual health services in Nottingham provide them for free.

If you are under 25, and live in the Nottingham City area, you can get free condoms under the C-Card Scheme available from both University Health Centres and many other venues across the city. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/sexualhealth for further information.

Top tips for staying healthy

For top tips and information on Staying Healthy, read the Looking After Yourself Guide at www.ntu.ac.uk/lookingafteryourself

Health

Useful addresses and websites

Nottingham Urgent Care Centre

Seaton House
Nottingham
NG2 4LA

Tel: **+44 (0)115 883 8500** NHS

www.nottinghamcity.nhs.uk/your-services/urgent-care-centre.html

Victoria Health Centre Contraception and Sexual Health Service (on the first floor)

Glasshouse Street
Nottingham
NG1 3LW

Tel: **+44 (0)115 883 9080**

A confidential advice and information service on sexual health and contraception. You do not need to be registered with the centre to access their contraception and sexual health service, and their advice service is available to everyone regardless of whether they qualify for NHS treatment.

The Health Shop

12, Broad Street
Hockley
Nottingham
NG1 3AL

Tel: **+44 (0)115 947 5414**

www.healthshopnottingham.co.uk

Free confidential drop-in service based in Nottingham offering advice and support on sexual health and substance abuse.



Nottingham Market Square

Families



You may be considering bringing your spouse (wife or husband), civil (same sex) partner and / or dependant children with you to Nottingham. Depending on your family's situation, you may feel that they would benefit from the experience of living in a different country.

If you decide to bring your family with you, it is very important that you assess what their needs will be in the UK, and spend time planning and preparing for your move here. It is also very important that you make sure you have enough money to support your family while they are living in the UK. Students from outside the EEA should check if the UK immigration regulations permit them to bring dependants to the UK and ask the International Student Support Service if you are unsure. For information on accommodation for your family, please refer to page 30.

Healthcare for your dependants

Dependants of international students studying in the UK for six months or more are entitled to free healthcare on the National Health Service (NHS). To find out about healthcare entitlements for your dependants, please refer to our Health section on page 34.

Schools and nurseries

If you will be searching for schools or childcare provision for your children in the UK, we recommend that you secure your accommodation in Nottingham first. State school places (which are free) in the UK are allocated on the basis of the area where you are living and it is more convenient to choose childcare provision which is located close to you.

Children under five years old

If your child is three or four years old, they are entitled to a free part-time nursery education place before they start primary school. These places are available from the school term following their third birthday either in September, January or April, in most day nurseries and pre-school playgroups in Nottingham.

Families

If your child is under three, or needs to be looked after on a full-time basis while you are studying, there are also a number of private nurseries (which charge fees) close to both the City and Clifton Campuses. Alternatively, you can choose to have your child looked after by a childminder in a private home. (All childminders who look after children under the age of eight for more than two hours a day must be registered with the Office for Standards in Education: www.gov.uk/ofsted).

For comprehensive advice and information on childcare provision in Nottingham including an online directory of nurseries and childcare providers close to you, visit the "Children and Families, Childcare" pages of www.asklion.co.uk or telephone the Families Information Service on **0800 458 4114**. Alternatively, you can email fis@nottinghamcity.gov.uk (if you are living in Nottingham City), or consult the "Find childcare" pages of the Nottinghamshire County Council website on www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk (if you are living in Nottinghamshire County).

Children aged between five and 16

If your children accompany you to the UK, they will be able to attend a state school if they are aged between five and 16. However, all children who reach the age of four between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018 will start school in September 2018. State education is free in the UK. Advice and information about applying for a school place for your children is available online by clicking on the Apply for a School page options from both the Nottingham City Council (www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk) and Nottinghamshire County Council webpages (www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk).

It can take four-to-six weeks to process an application for a school place so you may have to arrange alternative childcare while you wait for a decision. Please be aware that school places may not be available in your nearest / preferred school. Before signing an accommodation contract, you are advised to check with the relevant council as to which schools have places available.



Nottingham Market Square

Studying at NTU

Studying at NTU isn't just about the next few years; it's about the rest of your life. That's why we make sure that your course and your experiences all lay the foundations for a successful future.

NTU – a short history

Since launching as the Nottingham Government School of Design in 1843, the institution today known as Nottingham Trent University has developed a national and international reputation for hands-on, professionally focussed learning. Our goal has always been to test students' skills and knowledge where it matters – for real, and in the workplace.

We were granted polytechnic status in 1970, and university status in 1992. For 175 years, we've demonstrated a commitment to broadening knowledge across the academic disciplines; directly informing industry practice, by pushing the boundaries of what's achievable; and providing fantastic opportunities for all of our students.

Throughout our long history, we have invested in the scope and quality of our facilities to ensure that what you learn and where you learn it is of the highest, most relevant standards. Today, we are continuing to invest in redeveloping and expanding our campuses, attracting world-class teaching staff, and creating new professional and academic partnerships across the globe.

NTU enjoys an impressive reputation as one of the UK's so-called "modern universities." Developed, attended and endorsed by some of the world's most significant names in science, business, sports, culture and the arts, we are excited about our future, and your own important part in it.

What to expect

We have over 200 courses covering a wide range of popular subject areas. These are taught across our eight academic Schools. Studying at university may be different from your previous education; in schools or college you would have been familiar with lessons, but at university you're more likely to attend tutorials, lectures and seminars.

Inspiring learning environments

Since 2003, we've invested over £420 million in estates, equipment and staff across our campuses, creating the 21st Century facilities you would expect from a forward-thinking university. In 2014 we unveiled our fantastic new Students' Union building on our City Campus – making its facilities among the best in the country.

Our students recommend us

NTU is a teaching-intensive university where our students are the priority. Our student satisfaction scores have been rising consistently over recent years; in the 2016 National Student Survey, overall satisfaction reached 89%, above the sector average. 93% of our students would recommend studying here.

Meet our students

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/ourstudents to watch our students and graduates talking about their NTU experience and how we've helped them to build a successful future.

Excellent employability rate

96% of our undergraduates were in employment, or further study, just six months after graduating from NTU (DLHE 2015/16).



Brackenhurst Main Hall, Brackenhurst Campus



Pavilion, Clifton Campus



Newton Building, City Campus



Brackenhurst Library



Pavilion, Clifton Campus

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Campus life

One of the most frequently asked questions we get is “Will I fit in?”. With over 25,000 students at NTU, the simple answer is “yes!”. NTU has a real community feel about it. It will soon feel like a home from home. Our courses are spread out over four campuses across Nottingham, each with everything you’ll need, including accommodation, Students’ Union shops, bars, cafés, access to sports facilities, libraries, lecture theatres and computer rooms.



Equality, diversity and inclusion

The University community includes students from many different nationalities, cultures and backgrounds. Everyone who studies or works at the University is respected and valued. While you are a member of the NTU community, you can expect people to treat you in a respectful way and to be fair and reasonable in their contact with you. Equally, the University expects you to behave in a way that other people will see as respectful and fair to them. This includes other students and all University staff regardless of their status, or role.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/equality to watch our ‘Respect at NTU. Give it. Get it. Expect it.’ video.

All students have the same right to take a full and active part in University life. The UK has strong equality legislation and the University has a number of policies and procedures in place to promote equality for all students and staff. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/respect-at-ntu for further information about equality, diversity and inclusion at NTU.

Studying at NTU

The learning experience

Studying in the UK might be different to your previous learning experience in your home country. At NTU we encourage and expect students to take responsibility for their own learning. Your learning will be supported by your lecturers, your classmates and online resources found in NTU's virtual learning environment (known as NOW). You will be expected to attend all of your lectures, seminars and tutorials, and independently read and review your notes and think about your subject.

Independent learning can mean working on your own, but also working in small groups discussing your lectures and seminars or preparing projects such as presentations. You may prefer to work in the library, or in your accommodation. We would encourage you to find the place and time that works best for you.

Naturally, the structure of your course will vary according to the subject(s) you take. For example, some courses will be more practical with laboratories, studio time or field trips; while others may be more theoretical. Science-based and technical courses tend to have more timetabled hours. Arts-based, Humanities or Social Sciences courses are likely to involve fewer timetabled hours and more out-of-class work, such as independent study and further reading.

Whatever subject you are studying, at undergraduate and particularly at postgraduate level, you will be encouraged to read widely and to question and analyse what you have read. You will gain the most benefit from your studies by discussing your thoughts and ideas in seminars and tutorials. Not only will this help you to master your degree subject, but it may also be a valuable way of improving your spoken English.



NTU lecture theatre

Studying at NTU

Research students joining the University will be supported and guided in their work by a director of studies or lead supervisor, along with at least one other supervisor. With advice and guidance, this team will help you to design a unique research programme. As a research student, you will be a member of the University's Doctoral School, and additionally belong to the appropriate academic school. While the nature of postgraduate research requires a student to be self-motivated, the University provides a range of resources and support mechanisms to enable you to be part of a thriving community of doctoral students.

The University has been welcoming international students for many years and here at NTU, we have a range of experienced staff to help you settle in.

University study encourages you to think for yourself, so look for opportunities to read and to discuss your studies with other students outside of your timetabled lessons. Many courses offer modules during the first year to help students learn how to actively participate in study at university level and there are also resources available in the Student Learning Room in NOW.

Further academic support is offered within your course and by specialist experts. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/study-and-courses/starting-at-ntu/services-and-support/academic-support for more information.

Typical activities in the first year of undergraduate courses include:

- carrying out preparatory reading for lectures, seminars and laboratories or workshops (typically this might be a chapter from a core textbook, journal or report)
- organising, compiling and delivering a group seminar presentation or other project
- pre-class and post-class activities set by your tutor
- formative work to prepare for assessments.

In the second year, you are also likely to:

- engage in a series of short individual research activities
- do pre-class and post-class work on your own initiative.

In the final year, you will be expected to do the above and normally be expected to:

- complete a final-year project; this will involve a considerable amount of research and the production of an extended essay or report.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/learning for further information about study methods and types of learning here at NTU.

“Tutors here always give positive feedback to students who convey their ideas. They use ideas as a base for further discussion – it is the learning style. Therefore, in order to learn more effectively, we should let tutors know what we think and not be afraid in case we give the wrong answers. Besides, sometimes there is no right answer!”

Lan Lan, China
BA (Hons) International Business

Studying at NTU

Academic English support

In-sessional English language classes are offered to international students at no extra cost. The classes aim to provide focused support in the skills you need in order to develop your English in your subject area.

Further information

Nottingham Language Centre
DICE building
NTU City Campus

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 6156**

Email: englishsupport@ntu.ac.uk

www.ntu.ac.uk/nlc



Language in Tandem

Would you like to speak like a local? Would you like to share your love of languages with another student? If you're just arrived in the UK and would like to practice the English language, this is the scheme for you. Language in Tandem is a simple idea – two students, usually one UK and one International, meet weekly for about an hour. We'll organise the perfect language buddy for you, based on your language interests so that you can enjoy comparing cultures, while learning new words, expressions and customs.

Go to www.ntu.ac.uk/global-language and fill in the online form to take part.

Language Café

Join us for an afternoon to practise speaking different languages in a relaxed and friendly setting. Whether it is Spanish, French, Italian, German, Japanese, Mandarin, Arabic, English, or any other language, you'll have the chance to improve, teach, and show off your skills – all while meeting new people and utilising this interactive method of learning.

City Global Lounge

Every Tuesday*, 2 pm – 4 pm

Clifton NTSU Basement Bar

Every Thursday*, 2 pm – 4 pm

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/global-language for more information.

*term-time only

Studying at NTU

NTU Library

NTU Library will play an essential role in supporting your studies. The University has invested in ensuring its library and IT facilities are of the very highest standard. You may at first find some services or procedures different from those you are used to, but friendly, knowledgeable library staff will always be available to provide help and advice and will ensure you make the best possible use of the extensive resources on offer. Although we want to help you become an effective independent learner, you can always ask for help whenever needed.

Liaison librarians

You will have a named liaison librarian for your course, who will give assistance with complex queries and provide training on using the library systems. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/studentlibraryevents to find out more about the wide range of training sessions that the liaison libraries provide.



"I love the openness of the course and the accessibility to tutors, fellow students and facilities... especially the libraries. I find there are so many good books in there!"

Huiying Chen (China)

MA Photography

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/huiyingchen to watch Huiying talk about her course and life at NTU.

The libraries

There is a library on each campus. During term-time, the libraries are open seven days a week, including 24 hours a day at key times of the year. Each library provides a wide range of individual and group study spaces and resources for students, including student PCs, laptops for loan, wireless networking and printing and photocopying facilities. The library service has lots of resources, both printed and electronic, which are accessible via a dedicated portal called Library OneSearch. Most of the libraries' electronic information resources are also available from off-campus locations, both in the UK and abroad via Library OneSearch.

The virtual learning environment

All students have access to a virtual learning environment, called NOW – the NTU Online Workspace. NOW delivers learning materials and information for your course and modules. It is designed to assist you in your learning by giving you a single point of access to a range of learning and support materials for your course of study. There is a mobile version available, designed for use with mobiles and other hand-held devices. The library also runs NOW workshops for students throughout the year, providing training on accessing learning materials from NOW including emails and timetables.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/studentlibraryevents to find out more about these workshops.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/library to find out more about the library and IT services on offer, and details of the support we provide.

"The library is fantastic. I can easily find my own space, its open 24–7 and you have access to so many journals."

Sree Yenkateswarlu Yaranasi

(India)

MSc Structural Engineering with Materials

Services and facilities

Student Support Services

Student Support Services provides information, advice and support to all students on a wide range of issues, and can be a good first point of contact if you need assistance. Staff in our centres can either tell you what you need to know or point you in the right direction. Details of some of the services we can offer you are given below. Student Support Services can be found at:

Student Services Centre

Central Court
Newton / Arkwright building
City Campus

Student Services Centre

Clifton Campus

Student Services Centre

Brackenhurst Library
Brackenhurst Campus

These centres each have browsing areas with a variety of information and literature you can take away. Further detailed information about all of our services can be found on the website at www.ntu.ac.uk/sss or you can drop in and see us to book an appointment, telephone the Student Support Services Information Line on **+44 (0)115 848 6060**, or email student.support@ntu.ac.uk with any queries.



International Student Support Service

The International Student Support Service is available to all international students, both EU and non-EU.

Our aim is to provide a point of contact for international students and help you with any specific support you may need during your time at NTU – whether it be specialist immigration advice or more generic guidance on living and studying in the UK.

Please check our webpages at www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport for more information about what we offer.

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 2631**

Email: int.support@ntu.ac.uk

Support in your School – Student Support Advisors [SSAs]

If life events are having a negative impact on your studies, you can access School-based support.

Issues may include bereavement, pregnancy or being a victim of crime. We can also offer you support if you're thinking of leaving your course. We also signpost to tailored support for mature students, transgender students, caregivers, mature students, and students who've experienced sexual violence.

We offer brief advice and ongoing support and we can liaise with your course team at your request. You can request an appointment with a Student Support Advisor from tutor, course leader or course administrator, or you can email us at studentsupportofficers@ntu.ac.uk for further information.

Services and facilities

Disability support

The Disability Support Service can provide you with a range of advice and support to ensure your experience at NTU is a positive one.

Our services include:

- advice from Disability Officers on physical and sensory support adjustments
- advice and self-help strategies to support specific learning differences like dyslexia
- advice and support with mental health difficulties
- mentoring support and advice for students with autism spectrum conditions
- advice about specialist grants and paying for additional support
- in-house facilities to assess your learning support needs
- library support
- support during exams.

To help us understand your support needs, it is important that you provide information about any disability, long-term health condition, mental health difficulty (e.g. depression), or specific learning difficulties (such as dyslexia) as early as possible. We encourage you to disclose this information during the application stage. Early disclosure allows us to liaise with you to put arrangements into place prior to the start of your studies. We may also get in touch before you arrive to find out more about your conditions and to invite you to any pre-entry events.

Disability support

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 2085**

Email: **disability.support@ntu.ac.uk**

Dyslexia support

Tel: **+ 44 (0)115 848 4120**

Email: **dyslexia.support@ntu.ac.uk**

Wellbeing services

Wellbeing services can help with personal, emotional or mental health issues affecting your life and studies. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/wellbeing to find information, self-help and a short application form to access our services.

When we receive your wellbeing application form, we will contact you about the best way forward for you. This might include support from the University or external organisations depending on your needs.

If personal, emotional or mental health issues are affecting your studies please also talk to your personal tutor. You should always see your doctor if your health and wellbeing are negatively affected.

Student financial support

The Student Financial Support Service can provide advice about entitlement to UK government funding, including fee status and tuition fee loans for EU students. It also offers a comprehensive student financial advice service, including guidance on managing your money at university for prospective and current students. The service can also provide information on NTU's participation in the US Direct Loan Program.

Tel: **+44 (0)115 848 2494**

Email: **financial.support@ntu.ac.uk**

Please see page 18 for more information about handling your finances.

Services and facilities

Mental health support

Our Mental Health Support Team provides support to students with mental health difficulties. Its focus is on the practical impact of your difficulties on you as a student. It can help to identify individual support needs and address these directly or through referral to other specialists. Mental health support staff can also provide indirect support such as liaising with statutory agencies, doctors and course tutors.

In the UK, the Equality Act requires universities to make reasonable adjustments to take account of barriers which students with mental health difficulties may face.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/ssc if you would like to discuss your support needs or make an appointment with our Mental Health Support Team.

Student Handbook

The online Student Handbook has been developed to help you steer your way successfully through your first few weeks and beyond. It aims to help you settle in to university life as quickly as possible. It contains information about services and support and the regulations and policies with which you need to be familiar, including academic rules and regulations, such as extenuating circumstances and appeals, contractual obligations, and the charter and complaints procedure.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/studenthandbook to access the handbook online.

Faith support

Faith plays a part in many students' lives. Our students come from a wide range of faiths and cultures, and we recognise the importance of spiritual support and nurture, as much as social and academic support. A team of chaplains and advisers from a variety of faiths is therefore available to all students and staff. They play a number of roles: supporting and advising students; providing opportunities to foster a sense of community and wellbeing; helping those who want to explore the big questions through social and spiritual events; and highlighting the importance of spiritual wellbeing. There are prayer rooms for Muslim students and staff on both the City Campus and Clifton Campus, as well as a quiet space at Clifton Campus that anyone can use for prayer and reflection. The chaplains can also provide information on places of worship off campus. At Clifton Campus, the wellbeing room offers a place for you to relax and meet friends.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/faith to find out more.

"It is my pleasure to know all of you in the wellbeing room. For an international student who has never been abroad before, and whose mother tongue is not English, things could be really tough. Thank you for your help and for all the things you have done. I will never forget you no matter where I will be."



Student Services Centre, Newton



Newton Central Court, City Campus



Newton level 1, City Campus

Services and facilities

Campus facilities

NTU has a real community feel about it. Our courses are spread out over four great campuses across Nottingham, each with their own personality.

City Campus

- Home to over 16,000 students and based right in the heart of Nottingham.
- A cosmopolitan city centre campus with loads of great places to meet, eat and shop.
- An excellent range of accommodation.
- The impressive and newly refurbished Boots Library.
- An Employability Centre.
- Outstanding Students' Union including a 2,400 capacity evening venue, bars, cafés, sports hall and gym.
- A Global Lounge.
- The Hive – Centre for Entrepreneurship and Enterprise.

Brackenhurst Campus

- Home to over 1,400 students and approximately 14 miles from the city centre.
- A beautiful countryside estate with woodland, a lake and landscaped gardens.
- Excellent accommodation on campus.
- A fantastic eco library.
- Home to over 600 animals on our very own farm.
- An Employability Centre.
- Buses every 15 to 20 minutes throughout the day heading from the campus straight into the heart of the city, giving you the best of both worlds.

Clifton Campus

- Home to over 8,000 students and just four miles outside the city centre.
- A modern, self-contained campus with fantastic new facilities.
- Campus has undergone significant regeneration with a new central Pavilion building and teaching suite.
- Excellent accommodation on campus.
- On-campus facilities include the Students' Union bar, shop, cafés and library.
- Top-class sports facilities at the Lee Westwood Sports Centre.
- An Employability Centre.
- A Global Lounge.
- Award-winning Go2 Uni bus service taking you right to the City Campus every eight minutes.

Confetti Campus

- Located in the city centre, it's only a short walk from the City Campus.
- As a specialist creative industry education and training centre, Confetti hosts our creative technology courses.
- Cutting-edge, industry standard technologies – from mixing desks and lighting equipment, to developmental software, film studios, and TV facilities.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/campus for more information about the campus you will be studying at.



City Campus



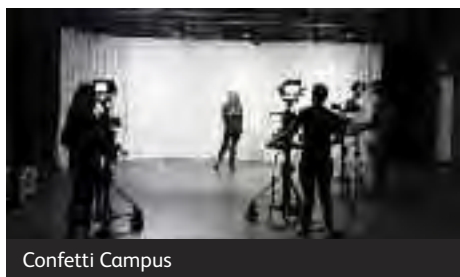
Clifton Campus



Brackenhurst Campus



Brackenhurst Campus



Confetti Campus

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/virtualtours to view our campus tour videos.

Sport at NTU

A healthy lifestyle will help you to focus on your studies, reduce stress and give you a positive outlook. Getting involved in sport is also a great way to make new friends. The University has a huge range of fitness facilities and sporting opportunities to encourage you to get involved.

Excellent sport and fitness facilities

The Lee Westwood Sports Centre at Clifton Campus and the City Sports Centre both boast impressive sport and fitness facilities. You'll find 100-station gyms, sports halls, fitness studios, and a 30ft climbing wall, as well as outdoor pitches, an indoor tennis centre and sports therapy suite.

Getting active

We have over 60 sports clubs for you to join, a wide range of fitness classes, internal leagues, introductory schemes and coaching courses. So whether you want to play sport competitively, for fun, or you'd rather take a dance class or yoga - there's something for you. We also encourage students to participate in Sport Volunteering and have a range of opportunities available.





Keeping it competitive

We love healthy competition. Many of our students take part in team and individual sports against other universities as part of the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) championships. We've recently been league winners in rugby, hockey and football, and are regularly ranked in the top 15 out of 150 universities.

The annual Varsity series also sees NTU compete against local rivals the University of Nottingham. This usually takes place during term three and showcases a range of sporting matches.

Sport Scholarships

NTU provides an environment in which talented student-athletes can achieve academic and sporting success while studying at the University. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/sportscholarships to find out more.



NTU Sport



Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/sport for further information about sport at NTU and how to purchase any of our NTU Sport memberships packages.

Your Students' Union

Welcome to Nottingham Trent Students' Union (NTSU). We're here to make sure your time at NTU is the best it can be, and we offer a number of services and opportunities to help make that happen.

Below you'll find more information about them and how you can get involved.

Societies and sports clubs

Joining a society or sports club is a great way to meet new people with similar interests. It's also an excellent excuse to try something brand new. NTSU has over 110 societies including 60 sports clubs you can join so there really is something for everyone too. Visit www.trentstudents.org/societies and www.trentstudents.org/sport for a full list of our sports clubs and societies.

Entertainment

We know that you will want to experience as much as possible while you are here in the UK. That's why we offer a diverse entertainments programme that caters to all tastes and interests. From pub quizzes to day trips around the country there's plenty to get involved in. Visit www.trentstudents.org/events to keep up to date with our latest events.

Facilities

NTSU has a venue on each campus which include, bars, cafés, social space, free Wi-Fi and more!

There's an SU shop at City, Clifton and Brackenhurst too that stocks daily essentials like milk alongside handy supplies like stationery and magazines.

Whichever campus you're on, we want NTSU to be your home away from home, so make sure you pay us a visit!

Volunteering

For any students who are interested in giving back to the local community, NTSU has its very own volunteering programme. Visit www.trentstudents.org/volunteering to find out more.

You can also get involved in our Raising and Giving (RAG) activities and help to raise vital funds for local charities. Visit www.trentstudents.org/rag for more information.

Your support

NTSU runs a free and confidential Information & Advice Service (IAS) that you can access on all three campuses. Our IAS operates independently of the University and offers impartial advice and support on everything from money matters to mental health. Visit www.trentstudents.org/advice to find out more.

There are also a number of people who are here to represent your views, from our Academic Reps to our Executive Officers. Visit www.trentstudents.org/yourreps for more information.

Make sure you follow us on social media for all the latest on our opportunities.



Twitter: [@trentstudents](https://twitter.com/trentstudents)



Facebook: [/TrentStudents](https://www.facebook.com/TrentStudents)



Instagram: [@trentsu](https://www.instagram.com/trentsu)



NTSU, City Campus



NTSU, Clifton Campus



NTSU, City Campus



NTSU, Brackenhurst Campus



NTSU, City Campus

Working in the UK

Looking for work

Working part-time enables you to develop valuable skills and experience before graduation, and can enhance your prospects of employment in your chosen career after you have graduated. Some CV enhancement skills you may pick up in any kind of working employment, include self-motivation, team working, self-reliance and organisational skills. However, work can be difficult to find and is not always well paid, so please do not depend on income from part-time employment to support you.

If you are looking for part-time employment opportunities, visit the Employability team's website at www.ntu.ac.uk/jobsandvolunteering or ask in local shops or bars – many places advertise positions for staff on their premises with posters and notices. Alternatively, search Jobcentre Plus (a government-run agency) at www.gov.uk/jobsearch for vacancies online. There are also many local recruitment agencies in Nottingham, and you can find details of these online.

Most international students who come to the UK for six months or more are allowed to do some work whilst studying (e.g. part-time, vacation work, placement as part of your course).

However, before you consider entering into any kind of part-time employment, ensure that you are fully aware of the restrictions on the number of hours you are allowed to work and the type of employment you are allowed to do as an international student. We strongly encourage you to visit

www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport to familiarise yourself with the immigration rules on working during your studies. You will also need to assess how this extra commitment of both time and energy will affect your studies.

National Insurance

International students working in the UK are liable, like UK citizens, to pay National Insurance contributions. You do not start paying National

Insurance contributions until you earn above a certain amount (£162 per week for the 2018-19 tax year). You do not require a National Insurance number in order to start working in the UK, but you will need to get one if you get a job. Visit www.gov.uk/apply-national-insurance-number for further information about applying for a National Insurance number.

Income Tax

International students are subject to UK tax laws. The personal tax allowance for 2018/19 is £11,850 for a single person. You will have to pay income tax on any amount you earn above this figure. A tax year starts on 6 April in one year and finishes on 5 April in the next. If you only work during vacation periods and your earnings are below the personal tax allowance for that year, visit www.gov.uk/claim-tax-refund to find out further information on how to claim a refund. Your employer or HM Revenue and Customs should be able to answer any questions you have about income tax.

From outside the UK: **+44 (0)135 5359 022**

From the UK: **0300 200 3300**

Minimum wage

The minimum wage is the minimum amount that workers aged 16 years or over are entitled to be paid. There are different (as of April 2018) levels of minimum wage, depending on an employee's age.

- Workers aged under 18 years: £4.20 per hour
- Workers aged 18 to 20 years: £5.90 per hour
- Workers aged 21 to 24 years: £7.38 per hour
- Workers aged 25 and over: £7.83 per hour

There are a few specific circumstances where the minimum wage does not apply: for example, if you are working as a live-in au pair; or are on work experience as part of your course of study.

Working in the UK

Employability team

Employability is your passport to the world of work and is about more than just studying for a degree. Your experience as a student at NTU will be packed with opportunities, all designed to help you graduate with a CV that will impress your future employers.



Jobs Fair, Clifton Campus

Support

Our Employability team provide personalised and specialist careers advice on our City, Clifton and Brackenhurst campuses. There is also a dedicated careers consultant for each academic School. The team will support you throughout your time at NTU and ensure that you get advice that's tailored to you and your studies.

Opportunities and events

In addition to individual support, they offer a wide range of employability development opportunities. These include: the Acceler8 Employability Award; mock assessment centres; recruitment fairs; steps to success employability workshops; and many more. The team have a large network of regional, national and international businesses and organisations looking to recruit NTU students.

There are plenty of opportunities for you to meet employers with invaluable industry insight, knowledge and experience. These include employer-led workshops, challenges and events.

Online resources

When you're here, you will have access to lots of employability resources online, via our student portal **Employability Online**, including:

- **FutureHub** – for graduate jobs, opportunities and employer events
- **InPlace** – NTU's placement portal – provides support finding, applying for and during an assessed work placement
- **Jobshop** - paid part-time work locally and on campus
- **GoInGlobal** – a specialist website for international opportunities
- **Resources** – including CV support, application, interview and job hunting advice, career ideas and employer videos.

Working in the UK

Work experience

Increasingly, employers want to recruit graduates who have real work experience. That's why we support and encourage you to make the most of the work experience opportunities available. Visit the Employability team to find out what you can do. The Employability team's locations across our campuses are:

City Campus

Employability Centre
Newton and Arkwright building

Clifton Campus

Student Services Centre
The Pavilion

Brackenhurst Campus

Student Services Centre
Bramley building

Email: employability@ntu.ac.uk
www.ntu.ac.uk/employability

Students in Classrooms and Volunteering

NTU offer numerous flexible opportunities for students like you to gain valuable experience, boost their CV, develop their personal skills and to make a difference to the local community. The Schools, Colleges and Community Outreach department offers a number of opportunities to work with young people in local schools and colleges, in a variety of roles. Training and support is provided.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/studentsinclassrooms for more details.

Nottingham Trent Volunteering offers a range of opportunities in a wide variety of community sector organisations. There is also the opportunity to get involved in one of our schools projects, such as supporting local children in the classroom as a language buddy, or volunteer abroad with a range of organisations we work with internationally.

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/volunteering for more details.

"I feel at home in Nottingham – you make friends really easily."

Rebecca Chiu, Hong Kong
BA (Hons) Business Management and Operations

Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/rebeccachiu to watch Rebecca talk about her course and life at NTU.





Pavilion, Clifton Campus

Living in the UK

Driving in Britain

If you wish to drive in the UK, you need to make sure your current driving licence is valid in this country, or take the appropriate steps to obtain a British one.

If you have a driving licence issued by an EEA country, you will be able to drive in the UK with this licence for as long as it remains valid. If you have a valid driving licence from a non-EEA country, or an international driving permit, you will be able to drive in Britain for up to 12 months from the date you came to the UK. After a year, if you want to continue driving in Britain, you should exchange your licence for a British one (please note that this should be done before the end of the 12-month period if you want to be able to continue to drive).

Visit www.gov.uk/driving-nongb-licence for further information on the current rules affecting international driving licence holders visiting Britain and information on applying for a British driving licence.

Please note parking is restricted on NTU campuses - visit www.ntu.ac.uk/travel for more information.

Driving rules and regulations

In the UK, in addition to having current valid road tax, insurance and a driving licence, you must abide by the regulations detailed in The Highway Code, available online (www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code) and in most bookshops and libraries.

Check the Visit Britain website www.visitbritainshop.com/world/articles/guide-to-driving-in-the-uk for further advice on driving in the UK.

Telephone and Internet access

Mobile telephones

There are a range of main mobile networks operating in the UK including EE, Three, O2 and Vodafone. Visit www.uswitch.com/mobiles or www.moneysupermarket.com/mobile-phones for a detailed guide on choosing and comparing the best network providers, mobile phone deals and helpful hints. Both websites also provide comprehensive advice on making low cost international calls at competitive rates. Alternatively, if you have Internet access, you can make low-cost or even free calls using Skype or mobile messaging apps such as WhatsApp.

Internet access

There are a number of different Internet service providers for you to choose from including Virgin Media, BT, Talk Talk and Sky. Comparison websites such as www.uswitch.com or www.moneysupermarket.com are helpful when choosing an internet provider. NTU also offers its students free Internet access from University computers and there are many Wi-Fi zones both around the University and in public places across the city such as libraries and local transport.



Nottingham city shopping



Notts County Football Club



National Videogame Arcade



Bromley House Library

Living in the UK

Insurance

It is very important to consider what insurance cover you need during your stay in the UK, as well as for the period between leaving home and before you settle into your permanent accommodation. This includes any medical insurance you may require (see page 34), but also cover for your personal belongings against loss or theft. You may also wish to take out insurance to cover personal liability, personal injury and the costs related to returning home in the case of illness or an accident.

There is a wide variety of insurance policies on the market, and we recommend you shop around. Endsleigh Insurance (www.endsleigh.co.uk) is the top student insurance provider in the UK and the only insurance company recommended by the National Union of Students.

Electricity

British electricity works on 240 volts or 50 hertz, and most sockets take 13 amp square-pin fused plugs. If you are bringing your own electrical equipment with you, make sure that it can be used safely on this voltage and find out whether you will need an adaptor.



Safety issues

In general, Nottingham is a safe place to live in and travel around. However, as in most other cities around the world, it is necessary to take sensible precautions to protect yourself and your possessions. The following are some basic points that provide common sense advice for personal safety:

- Never leave your room or accommodation without closing all windows and locking the door.
- Never leave your bag, wallet or purse unattended in any public building, refectory or shop, on your bicycle, or in your vehicle.
- If you are using a cash machine (ATM) take extra care, particularly during the evenings or if you are on your own.
- Keep your passport and BRP somewhere safe - there is no legal requirement to carry ID at all times and replacing a lost passport or BRP is time-consuming and costly.
- At night, avoid badly lit streets and deserted areas. If you are returning home late at night, walk in a group or take a taxi. If you go out together, always ensure you come home together.
- If you need to report a crime, **dial 999** and ask for the police (your call is free of charge from any UK phone). If the incident that you are reporting is not an emergency, **dial 101** to speak to Nottinghamshire Police.

We strongly recommend that you read the Safety pages on the British Council website (www.educationuk.org) which offer essential safety advice for international students in the UK.

Furthermore, www.getsafeonline.org is an excellent resource for useful tips on protecting yourself against online criminal activity, including identity theft and fraud.

Living in the UK

Settling into UK life

Coming to study in a different country is a very exciting and rewarding experience. It can, however, also be quite challenging during the first few weeks. The range of emotions you can experience when you move from a familiar to an unfamiliar environment is commonly called culture shock. Culture shock is a very normal experience and even if you come from a country with a way of life very similar to that of the UK, you may still find that there are small differences that will have an impact on your day-to-day life.

Differences between your country and the UK can impact on your life in many ways. On a practical level, you may not be able to buy some of the goods you could buy in your home country, and may find it difficult to adapt to the weather in the UK. If you are from a country which has very different customs and beliefs from those held in the UK, you will probably find that you are more affected by culture shock. It is important to remember that it is usual to experience a mix of emotions when you move to a new environment, and that these feelings will pass; it is a normal part of adjusting to new foods, customs, languages, people and activities.



How to cope with culture shock

As you start to prepare for your studies in Nottingham, we would encourage you to keep an open mind about what you expect the British people and the UK to be like. If you find that there are situations which confuse you in the UK, remember that individuals may be following social rules which you do not know about. Here are some tips to help you settle in:

- Where you do come across differences between the UK and your own culture, try not to see one as better or worse than the other, but try to think of them as different.
- Ask for help if you need it. Asking for help is seen as a usual action for someone to take and is viewed positively.
- Ask questions about social customs – this is often a good way to find out more about British culture.
- Exercise and maintaining a healthy diet helps to reduce stress. It is important you eat properly as a student and achieve a healthy balance between your studies and your social life.
- Language can be a barrier to people understanding each other clearly, so continually improving your language always helps (see page 48). Although it can be difficult, allow yourself to see the humour in misunderstandings.
- Make friends with a broad mix of people, both British and international.
- Keep in touch with home and bring familiar things with you, such as photos or keepsakes.



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Some insights into British culture

Although the UK has a very diverse population, the following few insights into British culture may be helpful as you start to settle into UK life. Visit www.ukstudentlife.com for more information on specific aspects of British life and culture.

Punctuality and queuing

The British place a great deal of importance on punctuality, both professionally and socially, so if you are going to be late, or you need to cancel an appointment, you should telephone in advance to explain, if at all possible, and apologise when you arrive.

Queuing (waiting in line) is also considered very important and happens in most places, for example in shops, banks, stations and bus stops. You will probably be amused to see how carefully the order of the queue is respected. If you try to push into the line (queue-jump), you will find that you are suddenly very unpopular!

Please and thank you

British people use “please” and “thank you” very frequently and sometimes in situations where in other countries these words would seem inappropriate. For example, you may find it odd to hear someone thanking a bus driver or, most curiously, saying “sorry” when someone else steps on their foot!

Smoking

Smoking is banned in all places of work including restaurants and bars, shopping centres, trains and buses. When you are in someone’s home, it is polite to ask your host and your companions first whether they mind if you smoke.

Alcohol

Pubs and bars are very popular meeting places, and they will always serve non-alcoholic drinks as well. It is quite usual for people to choose not to drink alcohol in a pub or in someone’s home.

British reserve

Visitors sometimes say they find British people very reserved. For example, you may be surprised by how rarely people start a conversation with strangers in waiting areas and on public transport. You may also find that the distance people like to keep between themselves when they talk to each other is further than seems natural to you. Once you get used to this, you will find these features are usually not due to unfriendliness, but are a way of showing respect for each other’s privacy and personal space.

“In the UK you say thank you to bus drivers and this is something that would never happen in my country! People are always polite and friendly.”

**Bo Shan Joyce Chung,
Hong Kong**



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Weather

British weather is very unpredictable. This is probably why we talk about it so much! It is rarely either extremely cold or extremely hot, but anything in between can be experienced in any season of the year. You may be surprised to find how rapid the changes in weather can be: a warm sunny morning can be followed by a cold, wet and windy afternoon so it is a good idea to bring warm clothing and a waterproof jacket, whatever the season you are travelling in!

It can be particularly cool from September to March and if you come from a warm climate, you must be prepared to dress warmly when you arrive. Rain can be frequent throughout the year, and during the winter months you can usually expect a couple of days of snowfall and some days with temperatures below freezing.

Visit www.bbc.co.uk/weather for up-to-date national and regional weather forecasts from the BBC.

Religion

Traditionally, England has been a Christian country and has a state church – the Church of England – which is part of the worldwide Anglican Church. However, most English people are not active members of any religion and England is a largely secular society. All the world's major religions are represented and people are legally allowed to worship as they choose. The Chaplain and religious and cultural advisers at the University (see page 52) can give you details of contacts and places to practise your faith, both within the University and around Nottingham. Nottingham Trent Students' Union supports religious societies; currently this includes the Islamic Society, Jewish Society, Sikh Society, Hindu Society and Christian Unions.

Diversity and equality

The UK has a very diverse and multi-ethnic population. Men and women have equal rights. In the UK it is unlawful to discriminate against anyone for reasons relating to race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, disability, pregnancy, religion or belief, and marriage or civil partnerships.

Language

You will find that British people use a lot of informal or colloquial language. Some slang is recognised nationally while other words and phrases are only used in certain regions. Here are some examples to get you started!

You may be surprised that people often address one another as “duck”, “duckie”, “love”, “dear” and “mate”, so you should not be surprised to be called “duck” by a member of staff in your local supermarket! “Duck” is used mainly in the Midlands and the north of England. A greeting you may hear in Nottingham is “ay-up me duck!” which basically means “hello”.

Slang term	What it means
Quid	£1
Grand	£1,000
Alright	How are you? (This term is usually used as a greeting rather than a question!)
Cheers! / Ta	Thanks!
Your round	Your turn to buy drinks (usually in a pub)
See you	Goodbye

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Average temperatures in degrees Celsius for the Nottingham area are:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
3	3	6	8	11	14
Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
17	16	13	10	6	5

Clothing

Many people dress casually in the UK, and this is certainly true for students. During the autumn and winter months, you will need a warm coat and a solid pair of shoes or boots that will protect you from the wet and cold weather. There are many large clothes stores in Nottingham which sell warm clothes at reasonable prices. You may be surprised to find that even in the winter months, people will dress very lightly when they go out in the evening, especially to a nightclub!

Mealtimes

Breakfast is usually eaten at home before travelling to work or university. This usually consists of cereal with milk, or toast (most people don't eat a full English breakfast every day!). Lunch is usually taken between 12 pm (noon) and 2 pm and is often a quick sandwich or another small snack. The main meal of the day, dinner, is eaten in the evening between 6 pm and 8 pm.



Food

One of the things many international students worry about before they arrive is British food, but we think you will be pleasantly surprised! The United Kingdom is a multicultural society, and food from all over the world is readily available in both supermarkets and restaurants.

In Nottingham, there are also a number of vegetarian and vegan shops, delicatessens and international food retailers. You will be able to pick up a list of shops selling international foodstuffs when you arrive at the University. Listed below are some traditional or popular English dishes. Pubs often serve this sort of food at reasonable prices.

- **Traditional English breakfast** comprises sausages, bacon, eggs, tomatoes, baked beans and fried bread (also known as a “fry-up” as it is often all fried in the same pan).
- **Fish and chips** is fish fried in batter and served with chips along with sides of mushy peas, gravy or curry sauce. A traditional meal usually bought from a take-away shop or “chippy”, which is particularly associated with seaside towns.
- **Roast dinner** is a traditional Sunday lunch. A whole joint of meat, typically beef, lamb, pork or chicken, is roasted and served with roast potatoes and boiled vegetables. At Christmas, a turkey is usually roasted.
- **Sausage and mash** is a dish of sausages, usually made from pork, served with mashed potato and gravy.
- **Baked beans on toast** isn't really traditional, though it is very popular. It is often associated with students as it is a very cheap meal. Baked beans are haricot beans cooked in tomato sauce and bought in a can ready to eat.
- **Apple pie and custard** is a traditional pie made with thick pastry and served with custard, a hot sauce made from milk, eggs and sugar.

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Nottingham is situated in the East Midlands region of the UK and is easily accessible by road, rail and air. By train, Nottingham is less than two hours from some of the UK's major cities, including London, Manchester and Birmingham. There are also excellent rail links to the rest of the UK, and as it is close to both East Midlands and Birmingham airports, Nottingham is ideally located for travelling both around the country as well as to overseas destinations.

Nottingham city

More than 300,000 people live in Nottingham, while more than two million people regularly shop in the city*. The city is a youthful one: 29% of the population are aged 18-29* – well above the national average and approximately 1 in 8 are full time students. As Nottingham is home to two major universities, many of the shopping, sports and entertainment facilities are targeted at students. Nottingham is also steeped in history and is renowned as a thriving cultural centre in the Midlands offering many tourist attractions such as the Nottingham Castle and Caves, the annual Goose Fair and Sherwood Forest.

*www.nottinghaminsight.org.uk

Entertainment

Nottingham has some excellent entertainment venues for drama, dance and music performances. Art lovers will also find a variety of exhibits at various locations around the city centre. There are four cinemas in Nottingham offering a wide choice of films, as well as a range of different music venues ranging from the Motorpoint Arena where world-famous bands perform, to local pubs such as the Bell Inn, where you will find a variety of local bands and singers.

"Nottingham is an amazing city. It's so modern and vibrant and has the biggest international community I've ever seen. It's really become a home from home to me – there's even a Caribbean grocery store close to my house which is great."

"Another big factor that I love is how safe I feel here. I've come from living in a small town to living in a big inner-city but I've honestly never felt in danger here. There is a real sense of community and everyone is looking out for one another."

Ariel Baptiste
Trinidad and Tobago

MSc Applied Child Psychology

"I went to a few open days but as soon as I got to NTU I knew that this is where I wanted to be. I felt comfortable straightaway. The people in Nottingham are the friendliest that I have met in the UK and the city is great – everything you could need is close by, even Arabic food!"

Mohammed Al-Hajri
Oman

BA (Hons) Politics and International Relations



Trent Bridge



Nottingham Contemporary



Wollaton Hall



Robin Hood statue at Nottingham Castle



Nottingham Market Square

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Going out

Nottingham's cosmopolitan character is reflected in its numerous cafés and restaurants, where you will find delicious snacks and meals from all around the world. There is also a wide range of traditional British pubs in the city which serve a choice of both alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks as well as food at very economical prices. Many bars and nightclubs around the city also cater for different tastes and host special student nights during the week.

Further information

- Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/nottingham for a full range of different things to do in Nottingham as well as a calendar of activities taking place in the city throughout the year.
- www.leftlion.co.uk provides details of all entertainment events taking place in the city including theatre, cinema, music and comedy nights.
- The Students' Union Guide (which you will receive after you arrive), provides useful information on Nottingham's most popular places to eat out.



Clubs and societies

A popular way of meeting people and socialising in the UK is through membership of a club, organisation or society. There is a range of over 100 religious, political, arts-based, sports and cultural societies within the Students' Union. Visit www.trentstudents.org for further information.

Sport and fitness

Nottingham has previously been awarded the Home of Sport title by Visit England. The City has nine leisure centres which offer a range of sports facilities, including swimming pools, and is also home to two football clubs, the world-famous test match cricket ground Trent Bridge, and the National Ice and Water Sports Centres. Check out our "Sports Guide" at www.ntu.ac.uk/nottingham for a full list of the activities on offer in Nottingham.

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Shopping

Nottingham offers some of the best shopping facilities in the East Midlands region with over 1,000 shops to choose from. In the city centre, there are two main indoor shopping areas, the intu Broadmarsh and Victoria centres. These contain lots of the national chain stores and well-known brand names. There are also many interesting smaller shops selling a wide variety of fashion, footwear and designer wear. As well as a huge choice of new items on offer in Nottingham shops, you will also find many opportunities to buy second-hand goods locally.

Shops in the centre generally open at 9 am and close at 5.30 pm, the main exceptions being Wednesdays and Saturdays (when some shops stay open later) and Sundays (11 am to 5 pm).

Go to www.visit-nottinghamshire.co.uk for further information about shopping in Nottingham.

Bargain hunting

Bargains can be found in the large stores during the sales periods in early January and at the end of the summer season; however, many stores now also offer items at reduced price at regular intervals throughout the year.

Some shops give discounts to students if you show them your University ID card or NUS extra card should you decide to buy one. Charity shops are good places for finding cheap, but good quality, second-hand clothes, books and household items. These shops sell goods to raise money for charity projects. Look out for names such as the British Heart Foundation, Scope, Oxfam, Barnardo's, Help the Aged and Cancer Research UK.

Second-hand items can be bought and sold on websites such as Gumtree (www.gumtree.com/nottingham), while many household items are also advertised free of charge through Freecycle (www.freecycle.org).

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Buying food and household goods

Supermarkets

In the UK, most people do their food shopping in big supermarkets, which are usually cheaper than smaller shops and stock a wide range of items. Supermarkets usually open at 8 am and close at 10 pm, except on a Sunday when opening hours are reduced. Some supermarkets are open longer (up to 24 hours) and offer online shopping and home delivery. Some of the popular supermarkets in the UK include Asda, Tesco, Sainsbury's and discount supermarkets Lidl and Aldi. Many of these are located in and around the city centre and very close to student residential areas.

Specialist food shops

Nottingham offers a range of specialist shops which sell food from around the globe, including Chinese, Afro-Caribbean, Mediterranean, Middle Eastern and South Asian food. Halal food and halal meat are also widely available in many stores. A leaflet about local supermarkets, specialist food stores and shops for purchasing your household goods will be available from our International Students' Welcome Points during Welcome Week.

Postal services

Nottingham city centre post office is on Queen Street, which is close to the City Campus. All post-boxes are painted bright red and display the days and times of collection on them. Stamps can be bought at post offices, newsagents and supermarkets. Mail within the UK can be sent by either first or second class. First class aims to deliver the next working day within the UK, whereas second class takes approximately two to three working days. We recommend you send valuables or gifts using the Recorded Delivery and Special Delivery Services, which are available at an extra charge.

Visit www.royalmail.com for details on postal costs, customs documents and sending parcels overseas.

Post offices also offer numerous other services including sending money abroad and currency exchange.

Launderettes

On-site launderette facilities are available for students living in University accommodation. Students living in private accommodation will usually find that a machine for washing clothes is provided. If it is not, local launderettes are available for washing and drying clothes. These are normally coin operated and the facilities are self-service, but it is usually also possible to arrange for your washing to be processed by the member of staff on duty, for an additional charge. This is called a service wash. Check www.yell.com for your nearest launderette.





Nottingham city shopping



Theatre Royal and Royal Concert Hall



The Cornerhouse, Nottingham



Nottingham canal

Travel in Nottingham

Nottingham has a very good public transport network for travel both within the city and to surrounding areas, with buses and trams operating seven days a week.

Buses

There are several companies operating bus services in and around Nottingham. The main bus operator is Nottingham City Transport (NCT). It is cheaper to use travel passes than buying a ticket on the bus, and you will usually be expected to give the driver the correct change if you pay for your fare on the bus. You can find information about NCT bus maps, fares and timetables online at www.nctx.co.uk or at the Travel Centre (South Parade, Market Square). Students based at the Clifton Campus can travel easily from the City Campus using the number 4 Unilink bus service (term-time only) or the number 1 bus.

Make sure that you put your hand out to indicate to the driver that you wish them to stop, otherwise, they may drive straight past your bus stop!

Trams

Trams are operated by Nottingham Express Transit (NET). There are three tram lines serving the city centre. This includes transport to Nottingham Trent University (City Campus) and Nottingham train station; Beeston and University Park; and the Queen's Medical Centre. Please note that the tram line which runs to Clifton does not serve the NTU Clifton Campus. You must buy your ticket from the ticket machines or swipe your pass before boarding the tram. Visit www.thetram.net for route maps and further details on tram lines and fares.



Travel passes

If you are using the bus, tram or both on a frequent basis, it may be worth investing in a travel pass. Most public transport operators will offer their own travel pass, which entitles you to unlimited travel for a given period of time, e.g. one week, one month, etc. You can buy an Easyrider CityCard, giving unlimited travel on Nottingham City Transport buses from NTU Card Services at the University for a discounted price. The credit is put directly onto your University Smartcard.

Cycling

Cycling is a cheap, healthy and effective way of getting around Nottingham. You don't even need to buy your own bicycle. You can hire a bicycle complete with a lock, lights and year round maintenance for £35 per year plus deposit. Visit www.ntu.ac.uk/sustainability for more details.

Alternatively, you can find second-hand bicycles in some cycle shops and advertised in local newspapers. Bicycle theft is common, so if you have a bicycle, you should keep it secured with a good quality lock whenever it is not being used. You must fit front and rear bicycle lights when cycling at night and we recommend you wear a helmet.

Taxis

Nottingham city taxis (dark green in colour) can be caught from taxi ranks in various locations around the city centre, including the train and bus stations. Details of other taxi companies (including private hire taxis) can be found online. Please note that you should always book private hire taxis by phone, and never flag down or jump into a private hire taxi on the street.

Uber taxis are also available in Nottingham. Visit www.uber.com/en-GB/cities/nottingham to book and pay for your taxi online.

Travelling around the UK

The UK offers a rich variety of landscapes, towns and cities for international students to visit. Favourite cities include London, Edinburgh, York, Bath, Stratford, Cambridge, Oxford and Brighton. These have a range of architectural styles, museums, galleries, shops, restaurants and nightlife. Popular coastal areas are Cornwall, Devon, Dorset and Pembrokeshire and for hiking tours, some parts of the Peak and Lake Districts as well as Wales and Scotland are ideal mountainous locations. Nottingham Trent Students' Union organise a diverse programme of day trips and weekend breaks at some of the best destinations around the country.

Visit www.trentstudents.org/trips for further details on what is on offer.

Coach and train travel around the UK

Means of travel	Company	Special deals	Contact details and further information
Coach	National Express	If you are aged 16 - 26 or are a full-time student, a Young Persons Coachcard gives you 1/3 off certain fares (£10 for one year).	https://www.nationalexpress.com/en/destinations/nottingham
Coach	Megabus.com	Offers cheap bus travel in some parts of the UK.	www.megabus.com
Train	National Rail	Save 1/3 of your rail fare with a 16-25 Railcard (if you are aged 16-25 or you are a full time student. £30 for one year).	It is often cheaper to book your rail tickets in advance. Tel: +44 (0)8457 484950 www.nationalrail.co.uk https://www.eastmidlandstrains.co.uk/stations/nottingham-station/ www.16-25railcard.co.uk
Train	Megatrain.com	Low cost travel to London (available on selected journeys)	www.megatrain.com

Explore the UK

London - 2 hours - 2 hours 30 minutes

Birmingham - 1 hour - 1 hour 30 minutes

Manchester - 2 hours - 2 hours 30 minutes

Sheffield - 1 hour - 1 hour 15 minutes

Leicester - 45 minutes - 1 hour

Derby - 30 - 45 minutes

Leeds - 2 hours to 2 hours 30 minutes

Liverpool - 2 hours 30 minutes to 3 hours

Brighton - 3 hours 30 minutes - 4 hours

<https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/living/regions>

Useful websites

Information about Nottingham

www.ntu.ac.uk/nottingham

www.leftlion.co.uk

www.bbc.co.uk/nottingham

www.nottinghampost.com

www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Information about travel

British Tourist Authority

www.visitbritain.com

International Students House London

www.ish.org.uk

National Express / National Express Airport coaches

www.nationalexpress.com

Megabus (cheap bus fares)

www.megabus.com

National Rail Enquiries (for train tickets)

www.nationalrail.co.uk

The Trainline (for train tickets)

www.thetrainline.com

Megatrain (cheap train fares)

www.megatrain.com

Nottingham City Transport

www.nctx.co.uk

Nottingham Express Transit (Nottingham's tram network)

www.thetram.net

Information about studying at NTU

www.ntu.ac.uk/international

www.ntu.ac.uk/studentsservices

www.ntu.ac.uk/startingatntu

www.facebook.com/NTUInternational

Information about immigration issues

International Student Support Service

www.ntu.ac.uk/internationalsupport

UK Visa and Immigration

www.gov.uk/visas-immigration

UK Council for International Student Affairs

www.ukcisa.org.uk

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UKCISA: UK Council for International Student Affairs

www.ukcisa.org.uk

The British Council

www.educationuk.org

National Academic Recognition Information Centre UK (NARIC)

www.naric.org.uk

NHS Choices

www.nhs.uk

Endsleigh Insurance

www.endsleigh.co.uk

Equality and Human Rights Commission

www.equalityhumanrights.com/en

National Union of Students (NUS)

www.nus.org.uk

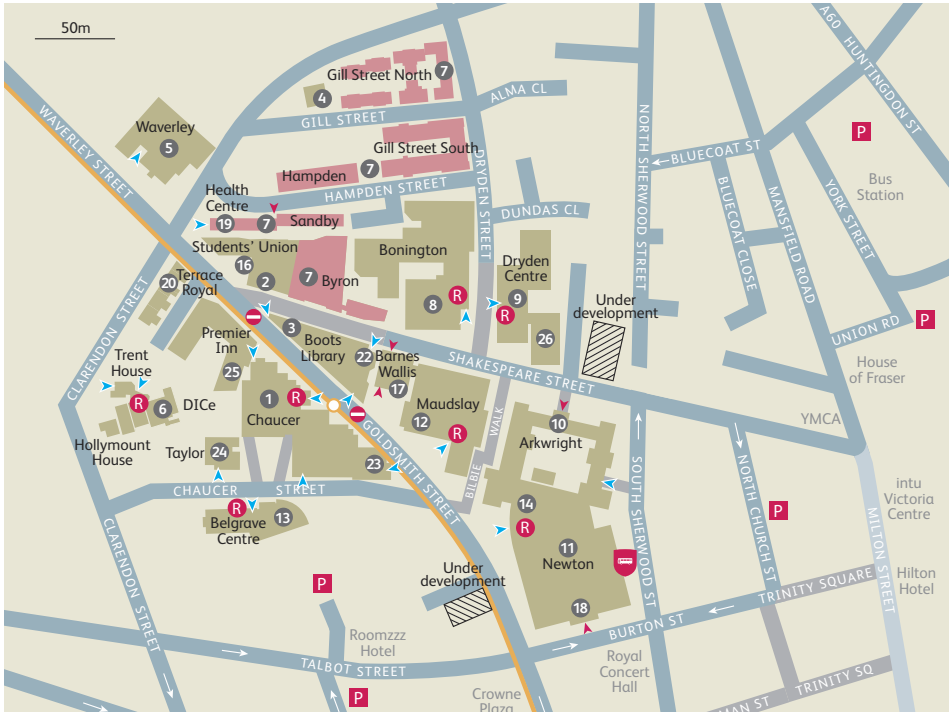
Nottingham Trent Students' Union

www.trentstudents.org



Old Market Square NET tram stop

City Campus

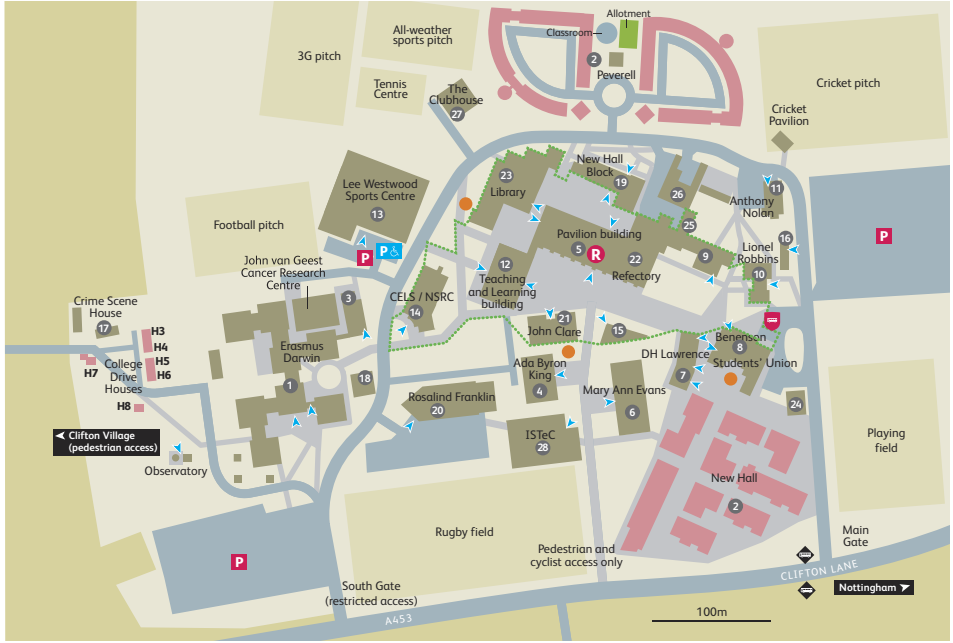


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Academic Registry.....	9	Global Lounge.....	1	Student Accommodation Services.....	14
Admissions.....	9	Health Centre.....	19	Student residences.....	7
Arkwright building.....	10	Human Resources.....	9	Student Services Centre.....	14
Barnes Wallis building.....	17	International Development Office.....	9	Student Support Services.....	14
Belgrave Centre.....	13	IoD Business Centre.....	18	Students' Union.....	16
Bonington building.....	8	Maudslay building.....	12	Taylor building.....	24
Bonington Gallery.....	8	Music Centre.....	25	Terrace Royal.....	20
Bookshop.....	1	Newton building.....	11	Trent Lets.....	1
Boots Library.....	3	Nottingham Conference Centre.....	18	The Hive.....	12
Central Court.....	14	Nottingham Language Centre.....	6	Waverley building.....	5
Centre for Broadcasting & Journalism.....	23	Nottingham Trent International College (NTIC).....	13		
Chaucer building.....	1	Notts TV.....	23		
City Sports Centre.....	2	Occupational Health and Wellbeing.....	4		
Coffee bars.....	1 8 14	Prayer Facilities.....	6		
Djanogly International Centre (DICe).....	6	Print Shop.....	1		
Dryden Centre.....	9	Safety Office.....	9		
Employability Centre.....	14	Shops.....	8 16		
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Schools	
Nottingham Business School.....	11
Nottingham Law School.....	1
School of Social Sciences.....	1
School of Art & Design.....	5 8 17
School of Architecture, Design and the Built Environment.....	10 12 17
School of Arts and Humanities.....	23

One-way street	Main reception
Pedestrian street	Student residences
Buses, taxis, cyclists and blue badge only	University buildings
Public car parks	Tram route and stops
Entrance	No entry
Entrance with wheelchair access	Go2 Uni bus stop

Clifton Campus



Ada Byron King building.....	4	Global Lounge.....	6	New Hall Block.....	19
Anthony Nolan Trust Research Centre.....	11	Health Centre.....	9	Pavilion building.....	5
Benenson building.....	8	Imaging and Display Research Facility.....	18	Print Shop.....	7
Bookshop.....	15	Interdisciplinary Science and Technology Centre.....	28	Rosalind Franklin building.....	20
Catalysis and Nanoscience Laboratory.....	16	John Clare lecture theatres.....	21	Student residences.....	2
CELS building.....	14	Lecture theatres.....	12 14 19 21	Student Services Centre.....	9
Coffee bars.....	5 8	Lee Westwood Sports Centre.....	13	Students' Union.....	8
Crime Scene Training Facility.....	17	Library.....	23	Supermarket.....	7
DH Lawrence.....	7	Lionel Robbins building.....	10	Teaching and Learning Building.....	12
Employability team.....	5	Maintenance.....	26	The Clubhouse.....	27
Erasmus Darwin building.....	1	Mary Ann Evans building.....	6	The Point bar and diner.....	8
Finance Office.....	9	Natural Sciences Research Centre (NSRC).....	14	The Refectory.....	22
Gatehouse.....	24			Wellbeing Centre.....	25

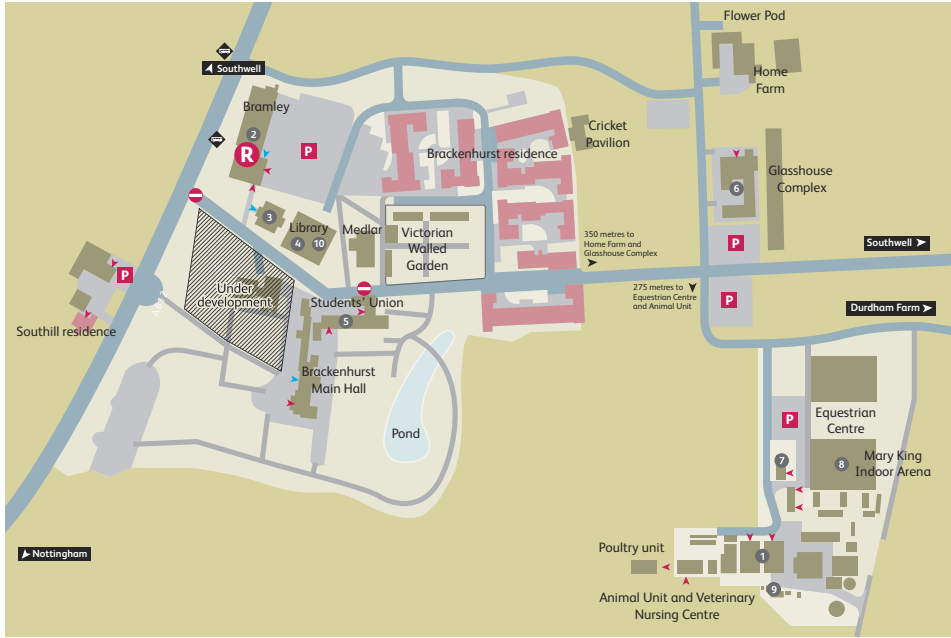
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Schools:

Nottingham Institute of Education.....	4 10
School of Arts and Humanities.....	6
School of Science and Technology.....	1 3 6 11 14 16 17 18 20 28

	One-way		Student residences
	Pedestrian walkway		University buildings
	Visitor parking		Bus stops
	Disabled parking		No entry
	Entrance with wheelchair access		Go2 Uni bus stop
	Main reception		Designated smoking area
	Green Zone - This is a smoke-free and traffic-free area		

Brackenhurst Campus



- Animal Unit and Veterinary Nursing Centre 1
 - Brackenhurst Farm House 9
 - Brackenhurst Schools Unit 6
 - Café 5
 - Employability Centre 2
 - Equine Office and Classroom 7
 - Library 4
 - Mary King Indoor Arena 8
 - Pippin Cottage 3
 - Reception and teaching block 2
 - Students' Union 5
 - Student Support Centre 10
 - Workshops 6
 - Poultry Unit 11
- Security 3

Tel: 0115 848 5262

- Pedestrian walkway
- P Parking
- Entrance
- Entrance with wheelchair access
- R Main reception
- Student residences
- University buildings
- Bus stops
- No Entry



Boots Library roof garden, City Campus



Newton Building, City Campus



Brackenhurst Farm House, Brackenhurst Campus



Pavilion and Plaza, Clifton Campus



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Key

- Nottingham Newgate Information Point
 - Nottingham Tourism Centre
 - Car parking
 - Taxi rank
 - Toilet
 - Disabled toilet
 - Shopability
- Tram route and stops
- Bus Links**
- SkyLink bus
 - UniLink 4 bus
 - UniLink 34 bus
 - Park & Ride Link 1 bus
 - Park & Ride Link 2 bus

600 Mansfield Road to:
 Victoria Centre
 Victoria Centre
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 Victoria Centre
 Victoria Centre

Tram route to:
 Royal zone
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Scales:
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Walking distance:
 It will take approximately 5 minutes to walk this far



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University of Nottingham
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A60 to Trent Bridge, West Bridgford, Nottingham (NG2) and to Nottingham Racecourse, Newark/Loscover (NG6, Grantham NG2)

A63 to Mt. Jubbin (24 northbound), Nottingham (NG2) and to Army HQ - 24/24 (A63), Birmingham (M6) and to Nottingham City Council, Nottingham (NG2)

A612 to Nottingham Racecourse, Newark/Loscover (NG6, Grantham NG2)

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Where do I find?

Information Points

- (J7) Broadmarsh Shopping Centre
- (H6) NCT Travel Centre
- (L8) Nottingham Railway Station
- (H7) Nottingham Tourism Centre
- (F7) Victoria Centre

Shopping

- (I7) Broadmarsh Shopping Centre
- (J7) Broadmarsh Shopping Centre
- (G2) Derby Road
- (H7) Exchange: The
- (H10) F H Mall
- (J7) Hockley
- (J7) Lister Gate
- (F7) Victoria Centre

Entertainment

- (G4) Best Hall Media Centre
- (G9) Broadmarsh Theatre
- (G8) Compherouse
- (H8) Lace Market Theatre
- (H4) Nottingham Arts Theatre
- (F4) Nottingham Playhouse
- (G5) Rock City
- (G5) Royal Centre
- Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Royal

Sky Mirror

- (H3) Capital FM Arena
- (H10) Sky Mirror

Places of Interest and Key Attractions

- (E5) Broomhouse Yarn Museum
- (K5) Brian Clough Statue
- (J5) Castle Gatehouse
- (K4) Castle Museum and Art Gallery
- (J8) City of Churches
- (H9) Victoria Centre
- (H9) NCCJL Gallery of Justice Museum
- (K4) Nottingham Castle
- (J8) Nottingham Contemporary
- (H6) Old Market Square
- (J5) Robin Hood Statue
- (G11) Shenton Square
- (H6) Speakers' Corner
- (E7) Victoria Clock Tower
- (K5) Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem

Public Offices, Community Centres and Facilities

- (K10) BBC East Midlands
- (H5) Central Library
- (L7) Citizens Advice Bureau

Council House/Nottingham Register Office

- (H6) Crown and County Courts
- (K9) Guildhall
- (E6) HMRC - Inland Revenue
- (D8) International Community Centre
- (K9) Job Centre (Canal Street)
- (G5) Job Centre (Parliament Street)
- (L8) Loxley House - City Council
- (L8) Magistrates' Court
- (K11) NHS Walk in Centre
- (L8) Nottingham Archives
- (F6) Nottingham City Council
- (G1) Police - Central Station
- (G1) Police - Caning Circus
- (G1) Post Office
- (H7) Public Tolls (Greyhound Street)
- (E6) Trading Standards
- (G1) Victoria Leisure Centre
- YMCA

Centres of Learning

- (K6) Castle College
- (H9) New College Nottingham
- (F5) The Nottingham Trent University

Pieces of Worship

- (G8) Central Methodist Mission
- (L6) Christian Church
- (E3) Friends Meeting House
- (F9) Islamic Centre
- (H8) Nottingham Buddhist Centre
- (F5) St Andrew's with Castle Gate (URC)
- (E3) St Barnabas RC Cathedral
- (G6) St Nicholas' Church
- (L8) St Peter's (& St James') Church
- (E5) Synagogue
- (E5) Unitarian Chapel
- (F9) William Booth Memorial Hall

Recycling Centres

- (E8) Huntingdon St/Gloucehouse St
- (G10) Nottingham Arena Car Park
- (G10) Bath Street/Victoria Leisure Centre
- (H9) Queen Street Car Park

Transport Points

- (K7) Bus Stations
- (E7) Victoria

Train Station

- (L8) Nottingham Railway Station

Team Stops

- (H6) Lace Market
- (E5) Nottingham Trent University
- (H6) Old Market Square
- (G5) Royal Centre
- (L8) Station Street

Car Parks

- (K6) Broadmarsh
- (K9) Broadmarsh
- (F7) Fletcher Gate
- (E8) Huntingdon Street
- (H4) Mount Street
- (M9) Nottingham Railway Station
- (M7) Queen's Bridge Road
- (B5) St James's Street
- (H9) Stony Street
- (F4) Tabbal Street
- (G5) Upper Parliament Street
- (E7) Victoria Centre North
- (F8) Victoria Centre South
- (G5) Wellington Street

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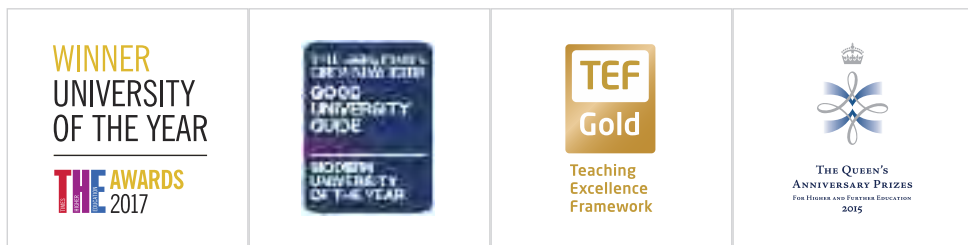
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