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Useful Information

Summer Campus Tours
Our summer campus tours run from the end of May until mid-November and are led by our current students so you can get to know the campus whilst finding out what it’s like to be a student here. www.ncl.ac.uk/undergraduate/visit/tours

Disabled Access
A copy of our campus map showing all wheelchair accessible entrances can be downloaded at: www.ncl.ac.uk/about/visit/maps
If you would like to discuss access on campus or any specific requirements you may have, contact Student Services on +44 (0) 191 208 3333 or enquire online at: www.ncl.ac.uk/enquiries

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Self-guided Campus Tour

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If you are visiting during vacation time, the campus will be quieter than during term time, when our current students create a vibrant atmosphere. By following our suggested route, the self-guided tour will take you approximately 45 minutes.

About Us

Our main campus covers 50 acres and is handily located right next to the city centre. The majority of University buildings, including some University accommodation, are located here but landmark buildings beyond the main campus mean that our campus footprint extends across the city.

These buildings include:

- Newcastle University Business School, based at the centre of business and commercial development in Newcastle
- Our Campus for Ageing and Vitality, a purpose-built campus on the site of the former Newcastle General Hospital
- The Institute of Genetic Medicine, located in Newcastle’s Life Sciences Centre, a pioneering science village
- King’s Gate: This glass-fronted, modern building is home to our student support services including: our award-winning Careers Service; Accommodation Service; Student Wellbeing and Student Progress; International Office; and Development and Alumni Relations Office. Call into our visitor centre on the ground floor where you can pick up a range of information on what the University can offer you.
- The Arches and Student Forum

Connecting to the Arches, you will see the green space of the Old Quadrangle, and to your left is the Armstrong Building. The School of History, Classics and Archaeology and the School of Arts and Cultures are based here, along with the King’s Hall, an impressive wood-panelled hall where University graduation ceremonies are held.

Students’ Union

Continue up the path with King’s Gate on your right and on the left you will find our Students’ Union. Run by students, for students, the Union is at the heart of our campus, organising over 200 societies and sports clubs, an award-winning student newspaper, TV station and radio station. It also provides 24-hour computer clusters and social learning areas, places to eat and drink, a huge events space and even a cheap Nightbus, ensuring that students get home safely after nights out.

Northern Stage

Opposite the Students’ Union you’ll see Northern Stage, home to the largest producing theatre company in the North East of England. It’s a great place to catch a performance on one of the three performance stages, or to relax in the bar and restaurant area.

Hatton Gallery

Continue walking up the path and, as you approach the Arches, veer to the right. You will see the glass-fronted, modern building on the site of the former Newcastle General Hospital. The Gallery also hosts an annual exhibition of our final-year Fine Art students’ work.

Part of the Great North Museum, the Gallery is open to the public – if you have time, stop by to catch the latest exhibitions. You will see works ranging from the Renaissance to the twentieth century. The Gallery also hosts an annual exhibition of our final-year Fine Art students’ work.

The Arches and Student Forum

Head back to the Arches, and take a moment to take in the impressive architecture. The tower was built in 1911 in honour of King Edward VI, whose statue still looks out over University graduation ceremonies held.

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The Language Resource Centre
At the top of the Old Quadrangle on your right-hand side is the Language Resource Centre, which is part of the Old Library Building. This Centre provides state-of-the-art learning facilities and is filled with materials for the self-study of over 50 languages. These facilities are free to students, and members of the public can join for a fee. (The Language Resource Centre will be closed for refurbishment June – September 2014.)

Medical School
Follow the path between the Armstrong and Percy Buildings, until you come to Queen Victoria Road. Cross the road via the pedestrian crossing and follow the walkway, signposted Medical School and Sports Centres, until you see the Medical School on your left-hand side. This is the biggest building complex in the University and is next to the Royal Victoria Infirmary. Newcastle’s largest hospital. Facilities include: modern, fully equipped lecture theatres and seminar rooms; specialist practical laboratories; an extensive medical sciences library; and dedicated computer clusters.

Baddiley-Clark Building
Continue up the walkway. At the top you will see the Baddiley-Clark Building. This is a central hub for world-leading research carried out by the University’s Faculty of Medical Sciences. Research laboratories, seminar rooms and open-plan spaces bring research groups together under one roof.

Sports Centre
Next door to the Baddiley-Clark Building is the University’s Sports Centres, which houses excellent facilities including a floodlit sports hall, multi-purpose gym, weight room and sports injury clinic. Outdoor facilities include 26 pitches across the city and a Watersports Centre for our rowing and canoeing clubs. Newcastle is ranked 10th in the UK for sport (according to British Universities and Colleges Sport rankings, 2018).

The Old Library Building
Turn around and head back along the walkway to Queen Victoria Road and turn left and then right onto Claremont Road. Look across the grass area to your right and you will see the Old Library Building from a different angle. Along with language learning resources, it also houses the popular Courtyard restaurant, a large 24-hour computer cluster and the Research Bistro. This is a dedicated space for research staff and postgraduates to meet, generate ideas, develop new projects and socialise.

Stephenson and Cassie Buildings
Cross Claremont Road and you will reach the Stephenson and Cassie Buildings, then follow the pedestrian area between them. The Cassie Building houses the School of Civil Engineering and Geosciences, and the Stephenson Building houses the School of Mechanical and Systems Engineering.

Devonshire Building
Turn to your right and continue straight ahead until you see the award-winning Devonshire Building, home to the Newcastle University Institute for Sustainability. Cutting-edge, internationally recognised research in this sector and across the University feeds directly into our teaching, benefiting our students. Constructed to the highest environmental standards, the Devonshire Building includes a system for recycling rainwater into toilet flushing, and solar panels to produce electricity from sunlight.

The Robinson Library
Keep the Devonshire Building to your left, and go through the Hadrian Bridge walkway to the main University Library. Our University Library Service has been awarded a coveted Charter Mark for excellence five times in a row, and two prestigious Customer Service Excellence Awards. The Robinson Library houses over one million books and 500,000 electronic resources. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week during term time.

Windsor Terrace Student Flats
After exiting the Library, follow the path to your right between the Politics Building and Newcastle Law School. The three buildings directly in front of you are the Windsor Terrace Student Flats, one of the University accommodation sites based on campus. This accommodation features washbasin and en-suite rooms in six-bedroom flats. Each flat has recently refurbished shared lounge/kitchen areas and two shower rooms/showers.

Great North Museum: Hancock
After heading back to the Library, continue down the walkway towards the city, and across the road to your right is the Great North Museum: Hancock. The University is a lead partner in the museum, which houses stunning displays of the wonders of the natural world, a planetarium, a large-scale, interactive model of Hadrian’s Wall, a scale replica T-Rex skeleton, spectacular archaeological finds from Ancient Greece, and mummies from Ancient Egypt. Entry to the museum is free.

www.twmuseums.org.uk/greatnorthmuseum
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