

Self-guided campus tour

Welcome to the University of Leeds. This self-guided tour will help you find your way around campus and get to know key locations, points of interest, and useful shortcuts for your time here. Please use this guide in conjunction with our campus map. You may want to start at the Parkinson Building and follow the tour in the order below or if you prefer you can choose your own route using the campus map.

Building #60: Parkinson Building

The Parkinson Building is one of our landmark buildings and is the gateway to the campus, housing the Brotherton Library. Alongside the library there are two galleries, Treasures of the Brotherton and the Stanley and Audrey Burton Art Gallery, which are free to enter for the general public and display an extensive array of paintings, drawings, sculptures, ceramics, medieval manuscripts and rare books from across the globe, along with temporary exhibitions from time to time. Other facilities based in the Parkinson building include the Language Centre, IT clusters and a café.

Building #59: Brotherton Library (Entrance through the Parkinson Building)

The Brotherton Library is one of four libraries on campus and houses the main collections for the arts, social sciences and law, holding over 2.6 million books with a further 4.5 million electronic resources available online.

Building #63: Laidlaw Library

The new Laidlaw library is a modern study space with flexible facilities for group work, bookable space, silent study areas and conveniently located café facilities. It contains a High Demand Collection and core texts for courses. The skills zone also offers drop-ins and workshops by the Skills@Library service helping you to develop the academic skills required to be successful at university. There is also a Caffe Nero café on the ground floor.

Building #32: Leeds University Union

Located at the heart of campus, the Union is a hub for activity across campus, throughout Leeds and beyond, with over 300 clubs and societies, and a whole variety of projects to get involved with. The Union building houses various social spaces, cafes, shops, bars and venues, as well as services such as Student Advice, Joblink and Volunteering.

Have a look round to find Common Ground, a café on level -1, with an open plan seating area it's the perfect place to relax, socialise or study. This is also where Global Café happens every Monday 5.30pm - 7.30pm; meet new people from around the world or catch up with friends at our free weekly café.

Building #29: Refectory

The Refectory is open to staff, students and visitors, and if you are living in on-campus catered halls, you will use the Refectory for your meals.

Building #26: Careers Centre

The Careers Centre helps students decide, plan and compete in the global graduate job market through both drop-in sessions and guidance appointments. From finding jobs and work experience to fine-tuning applications and mock interviews, the Careers Centre offers a wide range of help.

Building #83: Edward Boyle Library

The Edward Boyle Library is the largest library on campus. It houses the Learning Centre and has a group workroom and networked training rooms for electronic resources. Refurbishment on the library was finished in spring 2017.

Building #74: IT Service Desk

The IT Service Desk is on the 10th floor of the EC Stoner building, and provides you with a friendly, helpful and customer focused point of contact for IT issues.

Building #89: Roger Stevens Lecture Theatre Building

The Roger Stevens Building always splits opinion - some love its concrete whilst others are slower to warm to its charms. It houses 25 lecture theatres and links with other buildings on campus on a number of levels. Being such an unusual building, finding your way around the place for the first time is challenging, but you will eventually become familiar with the building's layout.

Building #101: The Edge, Sports Centre

Keeping fit and staying healthy is an important part of the university experience, and The Edge provides state-of-the-art on-campus fitness, sport and wellbeing opportunities. Facilities include: a 200 station gym, 8-lane swimming pool, over 125 weekly classes in three studios, squash courts, a climbing wall and sports halls.

Building #77: Marjorie and Arnold Ziff Building

This building houses all of our student services including registration, accommodation, fee payment, exams and graduation. Other departments located in this building include the Language Centre, the Lifelong Learning Centre and the International Student Office (Level 11).

Building #62: Emmanuel Centre

The Chaplaincy provides faith-based support and pastoral care for staff and students of all faiths and of none.

Other places you may need to find:

Building #95: Health Sciences Library

The Health Sciences Library is on level 7 of the Worsley Building and contains the main collections for medicine and health-related subjects.

Building #100: The Green Room (in Conference Auditorium)

This Islamic prayer facility is situated directly behind the Edge swimming pool and gym.

Building #46: Cemetery Lodge

This is another Islamic prayer facility, but based on the opposite side of campus to the Green Room

Building #55A: Disability Services

The Leeds Assessment Centre carries out needs assessments as part of a disabled student's application for disability support funding.

Building #73: Bike Hub

The Hub provides a base for bike hire and maintenance, route advice and cycle, and can be found under the large paved area at the end of the EC Stoner building, at the bottom of the steps.

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