VISITING THE UNIVERSITY OF READING

WHITEKNIGHTS CAMPUS
WELCOME TO CAMPUS

Our campuses are open to everyone. We encourage you to visit us, explore some of the amazing spaces on offer, and join us at our events.

Campus cafe and bars
The cafes and bars on our campuses are open to our local community. Pop to the library cafe for a coffee or Park House bar for a bite to eat.
Find out more: www.hospitalityuor.co.uk/opening-hours

Walking routes
Take a self-guided tour around our Whiteknights campus, exploring its diverse habitats and keeping an eye out for wildlife along the way. The walking route is marked by a number of signs. Dogs on leads are welcome to walk on campus too—they can even visit Park House bar with you afterwards. Get lost in the Wilderness, feed the ducks that call Whiteknights Lake home, look out for butterflies on the Meadows, and bees on the Pollinator Lawns.
Download the route: blogs.reading.ac.uk/whiteknightsbiodiversity/walking-route

Get active
Did you know that as a local resident, you are able to sign up for a gym membership at the University of Reading SportsPark? As a member, you’ll have access to our fully equipped gym, over 80 fitness classes per week, and a host of other facilities. With Reading’s most sought-after and highly qualified instructors we are able to provide you with up-to-date choreography and follow the current trends in exercise.
Find out more: sport.reading.ac.uk/membership/community

Events
We host an exciting programme of year-round events and activities. There’s something for everyone, including family-friendly festivals, music concerts, inspiring guest speakers, world-leading research talks, and celebratory and seasonal events. Most events are free to attend and open to the public. To find out what’s on, contact the Events Team or register for updates.
Find out more: www.reading.ac.uk/events

International Food Market
Visit the International Food Market and the fresh fruit and vegetable market on a Thursday lunchtime (weather permitting), based in Palmer Quad and the students’ union. Please note that the markets do not run over the University exam period or during University holidays. The markets generally run from the end of September until December, and then again from January to March.
Please contact the team by email at info@venuereading.com or call 0118 378 5657 if you have any questions.

Community engagement
If you have any queries, concerns or ideas, please get in touch with our Community Engagement Team by emailing community@reading.ac.uk or calling 0118 378 3279.

London Road Campus
Please also feel free to visit our campus at London Road for lots to see and do. Why not visit the MERL museum or the Dairy bar and kitchen.
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Please support our University Travel Plan by choosing sustainable modes of travel to reach us wherever possible.

For more information on environmentally friendly travel to the University, visit www.reading.ac.uk/sustainability-services/travel

On foot or by bicycle

Whiteknights campus is at the top of a hill. You should anticipate a 40-minute walk or 15-minute cycle ride from Reading station to the Whiteknights side of the campus, slightly longer if you need to go to the Earley Gate side.

Please ensure you cycle considerately of other road and path users on and off our campuses. The University has 4,239 cycle parking spaces on campus, along with 5 secure bicycle sheds. Find out more at: www.reading.ac.uk/sustainability-services/travel/cycling

By bus

The Whiteknights campus is well served by regular buses from the town centre and Reading station. Claret 21 buses make this journey at least every 10 minutes throughout the day, coming right on to the campus and running 24 hours a day.

The journey to/from the Reading station takes approximately 10–15 minutes, please allow extra time during peak periods. Reading Buses do not give change, so you will need the exact change if you plan to pay by cash. Alternative payment options are available, including contactless, pay-by-phone, and swipe cards.

A number of other bus routes serve the perimeter of the campus and other parts of Reading and Wokingham, including:

- leopard 3 \10 along Shinfield Road
- 19 and scarlet 9 along Whiteknights Road (north of the campus and Earley Gate)
- purple 17 and lion 4 along Wokingham Road (close to Earley Gate)

All Reading Buses journeys are normally operated by low-floor, wheelchair-accessible buses.

Please see www.reading-buses.co.uk for more details.

By car

Wherever possible please consider alternatives to driving or look for others to share your journey.

For sat-nav directions please ensure you use the postcodes listed in this guide to reach our campuses. Please note it is not possible to drive across the Whiteknights campus to/from the Earley gate side.

Electric car charging is available in car park 1.

Parking

A pay and display car parks (1 and 1a) are available on the main Whiteknights campus.

For blue badge holders, spaces are available across the campus (no permit required).
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The main Whiteknights campus is split into two parts: Whiteknights and Earley Gate. You can walk across the campus in approximately 10 to 20 minutes; cycling is also an option, but you cannot drive across.

For the main Whiteknights campus, postcode **RG6 6UR** directs you to the main University Reception at Whiteknights House. For Earley Gate (within Whiteknights campus) use postcode **RG6 7BE**.

Whilst Whiteknights campus is private property of the University of Reading, we encourage our local community to visit the campus and make use of its facilities. Visitors must adhere to University rules and regulations whilst on site, for further details please visit [www.reading.ac.uk/about/visit-us](http://www.reading.ac.uk/about/visit-us)

USEFUL NUMBERS

For further assistance, contact:
- **University Reception** for queries about car parking: 0118 378 7307
- **Security Services**: 0118 378 7799 (general enquiries) or 0118 378 6300 (for emergencies)