

College Bus information 2020/21

Students who choose to use the bus service provided by Huddersfield New College must obtain a HNC bus pass. No student will be permitted onto a bus provided by Huddersfield New College without one of these.

For the academic year 2020/21, currently we are planning for the bus services provided by Huddersfield New College to be running as normal. There will be one bus for each route to College in the morning, and one bus for each route from college in the afternoon. The bus routes, stops and bus numbers have not changed. To find a bus route and pick up times for your area, please visit the bus map on the website.

Bus timetables reflect the teaching timetable that HNC operates, and taking into account the current national and local context of Covid-19, the College timetable may change periodically with all classes taught on campus, all classes taught remotely or a mixture of the two (called a flipped learning timetable). This will mean that bus timetables are subject to change. To reflect the current planned College timetable (flipped learning), the HNC bus services will leave college around 3pm on Friday and 4.25pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

In line with government guidance, we encourage you to walk, cycle or drive to campus where possible and guidance advises single car occupancy and no car sharing unless students are arriving from the same household. The same rules that apply to public transport, will apply to using the bus service provided by HNC and students must wear a face covering, keep apart on the bus where possible, and ensure a 2 metre distance when walking to the college entrance.

For new students who will start in year 12 in September

Please download and fill in the 'Application for a HNC bus pass' form available on the website. Please bring this to your enrolment interview along with a passport sized photograph and payment, preferably via debit/credit card. We will be able to create your bus pass during enrolment and you will then be able to use this on the first day of term.

For returning students

Please purchase your bus pass using Wisepay. A link to the payment portal can be found on the website. From here, you will be able to purchase a bus pass for the year, for the first term or obtain a Hop On/Hop Off pass. We will use your cedar picture to create your bus pass. The earlier you purchase your bus pass on Wisepay, the earlier we will be able to create this and you will be able to collect your bus pass from the Student Helpdesk in the Learning Resource Centre – Finance have moved from next to the Costa Café! To collect your bus pass on the first day of term, please complete your purchase in Wisepay by 4th September 2020.

Cost

Students can use college buses if they have a valid bus pass. There are two types of bus pass; a prepaid bus pass or a hop on/hop off bus pass. The prepaid bus pass can be purchased for termly use or annual use. The prepaid passes save a significant amount of money when compared to using the hop on/hop off passes every day.

Prepaid passes cost £75 for the first term to 31st December 2020 or £180 for an annual pass to 10th July 2021. We are aware of the financial hardship some families are experiencing and with this in mind, we have not increased our prices for the third year running. Any subsequent termly passes must be purchased before the expiry date of the current pass. If you qualify for the bursary fund, then financial help may be available to assist with the cost of this option.

Hop on/hop off passes are free to register for and each journey will cost £1 alongside the presentation of your hop on/hop off pass.

Travel to college will ONLY be free for all students on the first day of term; 11th September for Year 12 Students and 7th September for Year 13 Students. This gives students the opportunity to purchase/obtain their bus pass on the first day of term, in time for their next journey.

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Usage

Bus passes must be shown to the bus driver for each journey in order to get on the college buses and passes are not transferable to another person. Regular checks will be made for valid passes against the list of passes purchased. If you forget your pass, then you can pay a refundable fee of £2.00 (this is the standard rate of a local bus journey) but you must have your college membership badge to identify you as a HNC student. This is to ensure the safety of our students when using the college buses. **Students who do not have their bus pass or the standard fee plus their membership badge will be refused entry to the bus.**