Getting Around

Walking

How long would it take to walk or cycle to NUI Galway?

Check out the time band to see how long it would take you to walk or cycle to and from campus. Don’t forget to use the cycle planner to find the best route for you.

Walking paths on campus are well signed, well-lit and secure. There also is a Síl na Sáile route present called the River Walk (3km). There are a lot of other walking routes including the blue dotted walkway.

Cycling

There are covered and uncovered, secure and unsecure cycle racks throughout the campuses. Cycle racks are mostly monitored by CCTV. However cyclists are strongly encouraged to ensure that they lock their bicycle appropriately with a strong lock. See the map for the locations of the bike parking areas.

There is a free cycle clinic for staff and students at An Mheitheal Róthar.

The public workshops are currently held on Wednesdays and Fridays. These are open for the general public.

Coca Cola Zero® Bikes is an exciting new addition to the city of Galway. Bike stations are located throughout the city to provide a healthy and convenient means of transport. There are several stations close to campus.

NUI Galway participates in the yearly active challenges organised by the Smarter Travel team at the NTA. For more information see smartertravelcampus.ie

The Cycle to Work scheme is available to all staff at NUI Galway. You can use a salary sacrifice arrangement to save up to 52% of the retail price of bike and equipment.

Public Transport

The closest train station is Galway Ceannt Station which is just off Eyre Square and located 3 km from the campus. The city is very well served by rail and only 2.5 hours away from Dublin. There also is a train connection to the city centre, you can take the No.4 Bus from Eyre Square, near the train station, which takes 3.5 hours.

From the city centre, you can take the No.4 Bus in the direction of Newcastle from Eyre Square, near the train station, which is the normal drop-off point for buses. Alternatively, you can take a taxi to the University.

Bus Eireann: has several other bus routes in Galway and some express routes.

Coaches: There are express coach services to Athenry, Ballina, Ballinamore Leitrim, Ballinrobe, Ballymote, Bellmullet, Birr, Carrick, Castlerea, Dingle, Donegal, Dublin, Kilkenny, Loughrea, Westport, Monaghan and Roscommon.

For staff members it’s also possible to get Tax Saver tickets. The cost is deducted directly from the employee’s gross salary, and savings of between 28.5% and 52% can be made off the regular price, depending on ticket type and your tax band.

Leap Card

TFI Leap Card is a convenient way to pay for public transport services in Dublin, Cork, Galway, Limerick, Waterford, Sligo, Athlone and Wexford.

It saves you carrying change and Leap Card fares are up to 27% cheaper than cash single tickets!

Using your TFI Leap Card is easy. Simply buy your card, Top-Up with Travel Credit or a period ticket and away you go!

You can buy the Student Leap card on campus at the student union.

 Facilities

There are several active commuting facilities available on campus.

There are several lockers available.

There is also a drying room for staff.

Showers for cyclists are available in various buildings (see the map for locations). Access to the showers and changing room facilities is by access card only.

Access to the toilet facilities after 6pm is by access card only.

Transport for Ireland (TFI) Apps

The TFI Journey Planner App from Transport for Ireland is the only journey planner that provides timetable and map information from all licenced public transport providers across Ireland. It is the only app that allows you to plan and start your journey from your doorstep.

The TFI Real Time Ireland App is the only app that integrates all real time information services from Dublin Bus, Bus Eireann, Go-Ahead Ireland, DART, Iarnród Éireann and Luas services. The app provides live updates helping you plan your journey efficiently on the TFI public transport network.

The TFI Cycle Planner App provides information on the best cycling routes for trips in the Dublin, Cork, Galway, Limerick and Waterford city areas.

If you are new to cycling or getting out on your bike after a long break, the TFI Cycle Planner will find a route that avoids roads with heavy traffic and also avoids difficult turns at busy junctions to help you get comfortable cycling your bike around town and beyond.

The TFI Driver Check App is a service that allows users to check that the vehicle they are about to hire has been registered correctly and that the driver has the appropriate license to operate the vehicle. If the information appears incorrect, it is possible to submit a report.

The TFI Leap Top-up App is a free app for NFC (near-field communication) enabled Android phones. It allows you to instantly top-up your TFI Leap Card, check your balance, collect and buy tickets and check how close you are to reaching your daily and weekly cap values.

Car Sharing & Driving

The GoCar car club is available in the city centre.

GoCar allows you to rent cars for as little as half an hour, using a booking system to reserve the vehicle and in-car technology to unlock the car and drive.

For electric vehicles there are charge points on campus.

Taxis

Taxis can also be booked in advance - see transportforireland.ie for licensed dispatch operators.

Smarter Travel Campus is a hands-on programme working with Third Level Institutions to implement campus travel plans - or actions to encourage and support students and staff to walk, cycle, take public transport or carpooling on the commute to campus.
TRAVEL OPTIONS AND SERVICES FOR:

NUI GALWAY

Bus Stop Numbers
Rail Services
Bike Hire
Bike Workshop
Cycle Lockers
Car Share

How to Use Bus Stop Numbers
All bus stops have their own unique number. You can use this number to find out what buses serve a stop, and when they are due.

Download the TFI Real Time Ireland app to search for information for your bus stop. You can find your bus stop number on the bus stop, or on this map for stops close to your campus.

For more transport information, visit TransportforIreland.ie

Student Leap cards are available from your Students Union. You can top up online at www.leapcard.ie, at your nearest Payzone agent, or using the Leap Top Up app (for Android).

Campus Legend:
A. Quadrangle
B. Library
C. Arts Millennium Building
D. Sports Centre
E. Bailey Allen Wing/Students Union/Bar
F. Corrib village
G. Dangan Sports Pavilion