

Before You Leave

1. Email arrivals@calvarychapel.york.com with the location, date, and time of your arrival in the UK.
2. We recommend you have personal travel insurance.
3. Bring your [required documents](#) for arrival at airport.
4. Right-click to download a PDF of this page if it will help you.

Airport & Rail Travel

We recommend that you fly to Manchester Airport as it is closer to us and the train ride to York is relatively easy. We also recommend that all train tickets be purchased as soon as possible as this is the cheapest way. Train tickets can be purchased [here](#).

Manchester airport (*about 2 hours to York*).

There is a train station within the airport complex that has a direct service to York (TransPennine Route). Services to Newcastle, Middlesbrough and Scarborough all call at York. A return rail ticket is approximately £28 if purchased in advance.

London Heathrow airport (*about 4 hours to York*).

Take the underground train (Piccadilly Line) to London King's Cross station. Change trains to York (East Coast main line) at the King's Cross station. A ticket for the underground train from the airport to King's Cross is about £4.50. You will also need to buy a single rail ticket from King's Cross to York. If you buy this on the day of travel it will cost from £50, however if you purchase in advance the cost can be cheaper but these will not be transferable (i.e. if you miss that train you will need to buy another ticket).

London Gatwick airport (*about 4 hours to York*).

Take the train to London Victoria Station. Change to the underground train (Victoria line) to London King's Cross station. Take the train from King's Cross to York (East Coast main line). A return ticket may be purchased for this journey, Gatwick through to York for £65.00, if purchased in advance.

Coach travel ([Coach Tickets](#)).

You may be able to save money by traveling to York by coach, but in general services are less frequent and may not be as convenient, with limited space to stow luggage and a longer journey.

Accommodation in London

If your plane arrives after 8pm in the evening, you may choose (or need) to stay overnight and travel to York the following day. The cost of traveling by train between London and York varies greatly depending on the time of day. Ask when you buy your ticket about the cheapest times to travel.

If you need accommodation in London before traveling to York, we recommend these options:

London Tourist Board / [Website](#)

Hotel Accommodation Service
26 Grosvenor Gardens
London SW1W 0DU
Tel: 01891 505 487

International Students' House / [Website](#)

229 Great Portland Street
London W1N 5HD
Tel: 0171 631 3223

The International Students' House is a reputable and friendly hostel with modest accommodation at a reasonable cost quite close to King's Cross station.

Early Arrival Accommodation in York

Students should arrange their travel to arrive on the weekend before semester begins. However, if you arrive to York a few days early you may be able to stay on campus for free. Check our [semester dates](#) for when free early accommodation is available. If you arrive even earlier, **please contact us** as you can probably stay on campus for a small fee if we are contacted in advance.

You can also find York accommodation at [Tripadvisor](#), [Bed and Breakfasts UK](#), [Late Rooms](#) or [Visit York](#).

Once You Arrive at York Rail Station

On arrival at the College there will be someone at the office who will tell you which flat you have been allocated to, or there will be a note on the window telling you where to go if you arrive late at night.

Taxi. When you arrive at York railway station, please proceed through the main doors and you will find a covered section with two road lanes. The nearest lane is a **taxi** lane. Turn left and you will find the taxi queue (waiting line). A taxi costs around £6 (cash only) and you need to ask for **6 Barbican Road, York**. The campus accommodation looks like terraced houses.

Bus – You can catch a number 10 bus outside the station. You need to ask for Walmgate Bar. It costs around £2 (cash only). Walk under the Bar (it's the gate on the wall) and the road immediately to the right is Barbican Road.

*If you have any problems at all, please telephone us on **01904 733 888**. Remember if you are calling from abroad there is a time zone difference. We divert the outside office hours calls to another number so we are always available for you.*