A self-guided walking tour
Welcome to UCLan’s city centre campus in the heart of Preston, and to a friendly, bustling town, traditional yet with a young and lively atmosphere.

Preston offers restaurants and bars to suit every taste and pocket; theatres and music venues featuring the latest acts; colourful cultural festivals, and of course UCLan’s very own Source bar in the Students’ Union.

You’ll find both contemporary and traditional shopping experiences in the city. Friargate connects the University campus to the city centre with an eclectic mix of shops and cafes. Located off Fishergate High Street, St George’s and Fishergate are indoor shopping centres which boast familiar retailers; and down the cobbled side-streets, you’ll uncover a selection of quirky boutiques, tearooms, cafés and independent beauty salons around the charming Winckley Square.

Enjoy the city’s café culture or visit our iconic Grade I listed Harris Museum and Art Gallery, which stands as the arts hub of Preston and hosts a programme of internationally renowned exhibitions year-round.

You could take a walk through our beautiful city centre parks; Avenham and Miller parks are great spots in the city centre to relax and enjoy the great outdoors. Both parks have been awarded Green Flag status for their safe, clean and sustainable environments.

Be assured to know that Preston is ranked by the Complete University Guide as one of the safest places to study in the UK so you’ll be in safe hands.

Visit Preston’s official city page to find out more: prestonguildcity.co.uk

Other ways to visit us

If you’d like a student-led tour of our campus, we run these on a regular basis, every Wednesday at 2pm. No need to book, just drop in.

Or you could book on a Campus Tour Extra which offers you the added opportunity to talk to our expert staff from Accommodation or Admissions, as well as chat to a subject-specific tutor. Please visit our website for more information.

uclan.ac.uk/campustours
SELF-GUIDED TOUR STARTS FROM HERE
Start your self-guided tour in the Students' Union (SU). This is where you can find everything to do with your union, including the Opportunities Centre where you’ll find information on all the sports clubs, societies, different events and activities as well as the volunteering opportunities available to students. It is also home to the Essentials shop, The Atrium, and Source Bar. All alongside the SU’s own student media platform - Pulse Media, which includes a radio station, TV station and both print and online journalism. You’ll also find the University’s accommodation office here.

When inside the Students’ Union, walk straight through and up the steps turning left at the top. You pass Adelphi Building, which houses our language courses, on your right. Ahead of you is Victoria Building which is home to our design studios and workshops, as well as facilities for our range of fashion courses.

As you leave Victoria Building, turn left towards the road and cross at the zebra crossing. In front of you is Harrington Building which houses our courses in social work and health. Also situated in Harrington Building are our 24-hour campus security office, Harrington Kitchen and one of the University’s biggest lecture theatres which seats over 400 people. Next to this is Allen Building, which houses the Schools of Medicine and Dentistry.

Turn right out of the front of Harrington Building and then right again down Victoria Street. Across the road on the left is Brook Building. This five storey building incorporates IT suites, lecture theatres, a gait analysis laboratory for studying biomechanics and sports science plus a sports injury clinic with two plinth rooms.

Turn left out of Brook Building along Victoria Street and across the road into Greenbank Building. Greenbank Building houses our business and management, and journalism courses and also the clinical skills labs for nursing and midwifery. From Greenbank Foyer, head into the Harrington Social Space. This space provides a place for staff and students to come together in a relaxed environment, while incorporating areas for break out activities and informal spaces for socialising.

Leave the Social Space through the automatic doors towards the car park. Walk diagonally across the car park in front of you and along Adelphi Street to the next junction. Turn right down St Peter’s Street/Square and on your right is the Library. The main entrance is on this side of the building. The Library houses the <i>UCLan’s central information point, providing a range of information, support and guidance related to study or student life and offering help with financial issues.</i>
When you come out of the Library front entrance, turn right and go down the road. You will see St Peter’s Arts Centre, which was once a church.

Turn left at the bottom of the road and use the crossing next to the roundabout. Once across the road, turn left and continue down the hill to the road entrance of Foster Building. The red brick building on your left is Harris Building, the original University building, and home of Lancashire Law School and its Moot Court Room.

You will see the development of the new Engineering Innovation Centre (Opening 2019), with Foster Building behind. Walk into Foster and you will find Foster Building Learning Zone, which includes three food service points for sandwiches and salads and traditional hot food, in addition to a shop. Foster Building also includes Admissions, the Student Medical Centre and an on-campus pharmacy.

Also based here is Careers, which offers all students and graduates a range of support including advice and guidance, work placements, workshops and seminars, along with business start-up and self-employment advice. Foster is also home to the Student Support and Wellbeing team.

Continue through Foster Building to Maudland Building, where you will find many of our science courses and also our Pharmacy Suite. From Maudland, head through the automatic doors to view the Foster Social Space. Leave the Social Space through the opposite automatic door to see Wharf Building which houses our motorsports workshops and is the base for UCLan Racing. The building behind is Darwin Building which provides state-of-the-art facilities for psychology and sports science and includes one of the largest 3D lecture theatre screens in Europe, along with our Young Scientist Centre.

Our Sir Tom Finney Sports Centre is located on the left as you leave Darwin. It caters for a wide variety of sports including a double sports hall, modern gym and squash court. This building also houses the UCLan Pre-School Centre.

Leave the Sports Centre and, keeping it on your left with the Social Space on your right, continue up the road passing Leighton Halls on your left. JB Firth Building is on your right, home to our forensic science courses.

Turn right into Maudland Road and cross over with JB Firth Building on your right and a green, white and grey building called the Media Factory on your left. The terraced houses on your left in front of you are the Crime Scene Houses; immediately before these turn left onto Cold Bath Street, up the path to the Media Factory which includes theatre spaces, digital television studios, video editing rooms and other facilities for theatre, film and dance.

Exit the Media Factory and walk straight down the small road in front of you, where on the right hand side you will see the Computing and Technology Building. On the left you will see our new Multi-Faith Centre, Oasis.

Across the road is the Students’ Union Building where you started your tour.

Please excuse the disruption on campus as we are currently investing in new facilities to inspire the student experience. Check out the Campus Masterplan uclan.ac.uk/masterplan
Great location in the heart of Lancashire, yet close to the major cities of Manchester and Liverpool.

Preston Campus is located within a short walk of the city centre
UCLan Sports Arena postcode is PR2 1SG
How to get here

On foot:

From the Railway Station
Exit from the station’s side entrance, turn left and cross over the main road. Turn right and then turn immediately left down Corporation Street. Cross Ringway, turn right, then take first left down Corporation Street. Follow signs to the University.

On foot from the bus station
The University is a short 15-minute walk from Preston bus station. The number 31 bus service runs every 15 minutes from the bus station and stops outside C&T Building, which is opposite the Students’ Union/Venue 53 building.

By car:
The University is signposted from Juncions 29, 31 and 32 of the M6 which are the easiest approach routes.

From Preston city centre, follow the yellow AA signs to the University.

From the North or West Coast.
Leave the M6 at junction 32 (M55) and take Exit 1 (A6) to Preston/Garstang. Follow the A6 to Preston and proceed through five major sets of traffic lights. Immediately after the fifth set, take the right hand lane and bear right at the next set into Moor Lane, following the signs to Liverpool. The University is signposted along this route.

From the South or East Coast
Motorways M6, M61 or M65. Leave the M6 at Junction 29 or M61 at Junction 9 and join the M65 towards Preston, then leave the M65 at its end. At the motorway terminal roundabout take second exit (All Traffic). Follow the A6 to Preston through three roundabouts. You will come to a set of traffic lights with a large retail centre to the left. Go straight on at this set of traffic lights, and also at the next set you come to. You will need to move into the middle lane for the next set of traffic lights to go straight on, signposted Liverpool and Southport. Continue straight through the next set of traffic lights. Move over to the right hand lane to be ready to turn right at the next traffic lights, signposted for Blackpool and the University.

More detailed directions are also available on the website uclan.ac.uk/maps

For SatNav users, our postcode is PR1 2HE

The Tourist Office
visitpreston.com

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We hope you are happy with your University experience; if not we have a complaints procedure in place, please visit uclan.ac.uk/studentcontract
There are many different ways of travelling to UCLan

To help reduce the congestion, pollution and carbon emissions associated with car travel, please consider using public transport. As a city centre campus, we are within easy reach of both the bus and railway stations.

We have a Travel Plan in place which aims to make the University and Preston a more sustainable city in which to work, study and visit. See uclan.ac.uk or email commutertravel@uclan.ac.uk

Remember! Share snaps of your campus tour using #TheUCLanExperience