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The Derby experience

A guide for students
based at the Royal Derby
Hospital Centre



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Welcome

The University of Nottingham's Royal Derby Hospital Centre, based on the site of the Royal Derby Hospital, is fully equipped with academic, social and administrative facilities. It's home to some of the courses and research groups from the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences.

The centre's location, on the site of a busy and modern hospital, is a fitting focus for healthcare and medical students. As a student based at the Derby site, you'll have the opportunity to join in with activities and events, many of which are organised by the students themselves. It's a friendly, enthusiastic community that caters for students of all ages and backgrounds, and is complemented by easy access to a lively city and beautiful countryside.

Derby is the most central city in England with excellent transport links. Derby is close to the M1, East Midlands Airport and is on a direct train line to London St Pancras. There is a free hopper bus from the Royal Derby Hospital Centre to University Park Campus, giving you the option of living in Derby or Nottingham.

Find out more:
nottingham.ac.uk/studywithus/derby

City highlights



Cultural fest

For a small city, Derby boasts a surprising variety of performance venues. The Assembly Rooms, the Guildhall, Derby Theatre, Déda and the QUAD arts centre all have full programmes. Annual events include the Derby Folk Festival, Derby Film Festival and FORMAT, the UK's largest photography festival. For something a bit different, check out the Ey Up Mi Duck Race which is held in the spring.



For sport fans

Play it or watch it – there are opportunities for both in Derby. Derby County's football stadium, Pride Park, is nearby and there are facilities for fitness, cycling, rock climbing and sailing in and around the city. Swadlincote Ski and Snowboarding Centre is just a few miles from the city. Perfect your skiing or snowboarding skills or try out the various tobogganing rides.



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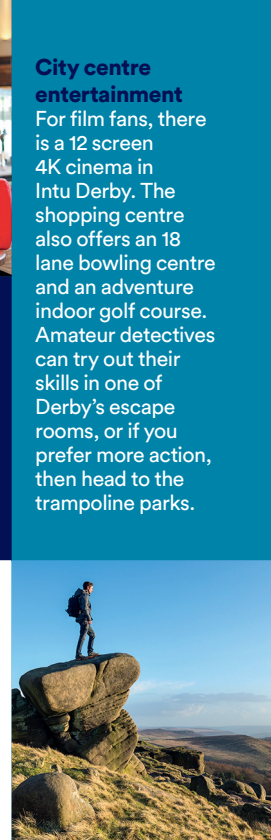


Wining and dining

You won't go hungry in Derby: Chinese, French, Greek, Japanese, Indian, Italian, Mexican, Spanish, Thai and Turkish are all on offer. There are high street names like Pizza Express and Zizzi, but also independently run cafes such as The Docks Eatery and Jack Rabbits to seek out. Don't miss the food and drink or beer festivals either!

The great outdoors

In and around the city there are various picturesque parks. Within walking distance of the city is Darley Park which is ideal for a stroll by the river. The Peak District National Park is also easily accessible by bus from the city centre. Highlights include Chatsworth House and Bakewell, with hundreds of walks and miles of impressive scenery to explore.



City centre entertainment

For film fans, there is a 12 screen 4K cinema in Intu Derby. The shopping centre also offers an 18 lane bowling centre and an adventure indoor golf course. Amateur detectives can try out their skills in one of Derby's escape rooms, or if you prefer more action, then head to the trampoline parks.



Retail therapy

Different areas of the city offer different shopping experiences. There are boutiques in the Cathedral Quarter, traditional high street shopping in St Peter's Quarter and over 160 stores and restaurants in the Intu Derby shopping centre.

Find out more: visitderby.co.uk



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Student life



University of Nottingham at Derby Committee (UNAD)

UNAD represents all students at Derby and ensures your experience here is the best it can be. That means organising events and activities (barbecues, nights out, sports days and many more) but also putting forward any ideas or concerns you might have about life at Derby.

UNAD also helps to fund and facilitate the running of clubs and societies which are all run by students, for students.

Here is a flavour of what is currently on offer:

- Cardiovascular Society
- Choir Society
- Climbing
- Football
- Hiking
- Hockey
- Hospital Play Team
- Men's Rugby
- Netball
- Racquet Club
- Swimming

Find out more:
su.nottingham.ac.uk

The SU Hub

The SU Hub at Derby is an area that can be used for socialising, eating lunch or group studying, and as a bookable venue for activities such as cake sales, choir practice, yoga and Zumba. There is also a piano and table tennis for breaks between studying.

Royal Derby Hospital facilities

Our building is linked to the hospital via a corridor. Facilities in the main hospital include cafes, restaurants, a small Boots chemist, Marks & Spencer food store, and a cash machine.

Cafe Direct

Open for breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks, Cafe Direct offers a range of hot and cold food including sandwiches, wraps, baked potatoes and soup. There are vegetarian and halal options too. The cafe has a Costa coffee machine as well as selling cold drinks.



Discover your perfect home

Many students choose to live close to the Royal Derby Hospital Centre, in self-catered accommodation called Lonsdale Hall. We have an agreement with the University of Derby that certain lodges will be reserved for University of Nottingham students studying in Derby.

The benefits of living in halls include:

- a convenient location, which is just a 20-minute walk from the Royal Derby Hospital and a 25-minute walk from Derby city centre
- close proximity to bus routes to the hospital and the city
- access to activities organised by the halls social team and the University of Derby Students' Union

Hall facilities

- Wi-Fi in every bedroom for up to six devices
- Freeview TV and radio through your PC, laptop or tablet
- Weekly cleaning service of communal areas
- On-site laundry
- Secure car/motorbike parking (charges apply)
- CCTV, fob entry system and night security
- Bike sheds (lockable)
- Free Unibus tickets on arrival (September starters only)

Rooms and flats

Flats are made of up to six standard-sized bedrooms and one large bedroom at the end of the corridor. Every room comes furnished with a single bed, built-in wardrobe, built-in desk, chair, bookshelves, personal door lock, phone, mirror and power sockets. Each flat has two separate toilets and two separate shower rooms, as well as a well-equipped kitchen and a TV lounge.

Find out more:
derby.ac.uk/halls/nottingham



Support services

You are welcome to use the support services in Nottingham but may prefer to make an appointment to see an adviser in Derby. The Student Service Centre has offices reserved for drop-in sessions and appointments with advisers.

Advisers can help with:

- academic support
- financial support
- University counselling service
- careers guidance
- faith support
- welfare support



Academic and administrative facilities

The welcoming Student Service Centre has a wide range of study facilities, as well as comprehensive academic support. Many academics are based on-site and are available to see you if you need help with your work or have any questions.

Student Service Centre

The Derby Student Service Centre has dedicated staff to support you and your learning. They're your first point of call for questions about everything from coursework submission to module enrolment.

Computer facilities

There's a large, dedicated computer suite in the centre, plus small clusters opposite the Student Service Centre and in the library.

Clinical skills suite

The suite is equipped with clinical skills equipment and training devices, including manikins that mimic respiratory, cardiac and alimentary symptoms and responses. There is also a four-bed bay for simulated ward learning. Facilities are also available for drop-in sessions so you can revise and practise skills.

NHS library

As a student at Derby, you can join the NHS library and borrow up to 20 books at a time. There are around 25,000 loanable items in the library, individual study desks, group study rooms and computers reserved for University of Nottingham students. The staff are happy to help with searching databases, and there's a small refreshments area if you need an energy boost.

In addition, you have access to any of the libraries across our campuses, including the Greenfield Medical Library in the Nottingham Medical School.

Transport networks

To and from Nottingham

Hopper bus

The University provides a bus service from the Royal Derby Hospital Centre to University Park Campus in Nottingham. The journey takes 40–50 minutes, depending on traffic. The bus runs every day except bank holidays. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/go/buses



Local bus networks

The Indigo service, operated by Trent Barton, runs between Derby and Nottingham, stopping in Beeston, Chilwell, Long Eaton, Draycott, Spondon, and other areas. The journey time is around an hour and a student Mango card gives you a 25% discount.

A faster bus service (30 minutes from Derby bus station to Nottingham) is the Red Arrow, which stops at the Queen's Medical Centre as well as Nottingham city centre. Find out more: trentbarton.co.uk

Trains

There are regular, frequent trains between Nottingham and Derby with a journey time of 20–30 minutes. Save a third on fares with a 16–25 railcard.

Railcard



To and from Derby city centre

The Royal Derby bus, also operated by Trent Barton, runs between London Road Community Hospital (with a stop near the train station) and the Royal Derby Hospital with a journey time around 20 minutes. Find out more: trentbarton.co.uk

Cycle facilities

There are cycle lanes around the Royal Derby Hospital, a secure bike shed and bike stands at the University of Nottingham Royal Derby Hospital Centre, and male and female shower facilities with a drying cabinet just inside the building. As a student, you are eligible for the University's bike hire scheme. All bikes are ready to ride and come complete with lights, lock, mudguards and rack. Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/ucycle

Useful contacts

General switchboard:

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Accommodation Services:

 +44 (0)115 951 3697

 accommodation@nottingham.ac.uk

 nottingham.ac.uk/accommodation

Admissions Office:

Queries regarding the processing of students' applications

 +44 (0)115 951 4749

Student Recruitment Enquiries Centre:

- Request a prospectus or school brochure
- Open day and visiting us enquiries
- All other student-related enquiries

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 nottingham.ac.uk/enquire

International and EU students:

Information and guidance to help you apply and prepare for study in the UK

 +44 (0)115 951 5247

 nottingham.ac.uk/go/international-applicants

Student Service Centre:

Students' main point of contact for information, advice and support during their time at university

 +44 (0)115 748 6500

 nottingham.ac.uk/studentsservices

Students' Union switchboard:

- Clubs, societies and activities
- Student Volunteer Centre

 +44 (0)115 84 68800

 su.nottingham.ac.uk

Widening Participation Team:

- Local outreach activities
- Summer schools

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You can also connect with us through our social media channels:

nottingham.ac.uk/connect



Gov.uk:

Government services and information including details of financial support for students

 gov.uk

icould:

Careers stories and activities

 icould.com

NUS (National Union of Students):

Information about all aspects of university life

 nus.org.uk

UCAS:

- Applications
- General advice and guidance regarding university entrance, choice of degrees, how to apply and guidance for parents

 +44 (0)871 468 0468

ucas.com

UKCISA (UK Council for International Student Affairs):

The UK's national advisory body for international students and those who work with them

 ukcisa.org.uk

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