

INDEPENDENT FLYERS

We hope you're looking forward to your trip to Cambridge!

You'll be at the airport before you know it, so we've developed this info-sheet for students who opted not to book onto the group flight. It details some of the options for getting from the airport to Cambridge when you arrive in the UK.



PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WHO DID NOT BOOK A PLACE ON THE GROUP FLIGHT ***CANNOT*** BE GUARANTEED A SEAT ON THE AIRPORT TRANSFER TO CAMBRIDGE. **IF YOU DID NOT BOOK A PLACE ON THE GROUP FLIGHT, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ORGANISE YOUR JOURNEY FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE ACCOMMODATION.**

Option 1: Join the transfer for the group flight

If your flight arrives at the same airport and at the same time as the group flight, it might be possible to join the coach transfer and travel back to the accommodation with the group. *Please note: places on the transfer **cannot** be guaranteed for students who did not book on the group flight*.

If your flight arrives:

- ✓ before or within 30 minutes of the group flight arrival time
- ✓ at the same airport
- ✓ at the same terminal

It might be possible for you to join the group transfer from the airport to the accommodation. Please email info@reachstudyabroad.com giving your name, course title, lead professor, and flight details to check.

Please be aware: if you organise to join the group transfer to Cambridge but your flight is delayed, it might not be possible for the group to wait for you. You should therefore be prepared to make your own way to the accommodation in Cambridge

Option 2: Taxis

Several taxi firms have set prices from the London airports direct to any address in Cambridge. These include:

- Panther Taxis: +44 1223 715715
(<http://www.panthertaxis.co.uk/index.php/service/transfer-fare-guide>)
- Airport Lynx: +44 1223 440040 (<http://www.airportlynx.co.uk/>)
- CamCab: +44 1223 704704 (<http://www.camcab.co.uk/index.php/airports>)



Option 3: Coach & Taxi

National Express Coaches leave frequently from all major London airports. To check times and prices visit www.nationalexpress.com (tickets can be bought online or at the airport).

National Expresses coaches will usually drop off at Parkers Piece, Cambridge. There are usually taxis waiting for the arrival of airport coaches. If none are available, it's a short (7-8 minute walk) to the St Andrew's St Taxi Rank.

Taxis from Parkers Piece can also be pre-booked by calling from the airport with your expected arrival time. Panther Taxis (+44 1223 715715) and CamCab (+ 44 1223 704704) are popular local choices.

Option 4: Tube & Train

If you want to dive straight into life as a Brit, you might have considered using the trains and the London Underground (the 'Tube'). Options differ depending on which airport you arrive at:

London Heathrow: The Piccadilly Line of the London Underground runs direct to London Kings Cross Train Station (approx 1 hr). From here, board a train to Cambridge (approx 50mins). Taxis will be available at Cambridge Train Station to take you to the accommodation. Alternatively, take the 'Heathrow Express' train (15mins, but more expensive) to London Paddington Train Station, then take the Circle or Hammersmith & City Line to London Kings Cross and take the train as above. (NB. Although reaching central London is quicker via the Express, the time is often lost on the tube between Paddington and Kings Cross stations.)

London Gatwick: There is no Underground line to London Gatwick Airport. To reach central London, take the 'Gatwick Express' train to London Victoria Station (approx 30mins). From here, take the Victoria Line to London Kings Cross Railway Station in order to board a train to Cambridge (as above).

Please be aware that the tube can be *very* busy, especially on weekdays 7am- 9.30am and 4.30pm-7pm. It is also important to note that not all underground stations have elevators or escalators, and that passengers must often use stairs. Using the underground with large luggage can therefore be problematic, and is not always advisable.