

SE u3a Forum Summer School

Monday 7th – Thursday 10th September 2026



University of Chichester

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

The different sections are in alphabetical order

Questions relating to Accommodation

Q. *What types of accommodation are available?*

A. The available accommodation is En-suite and Standard. All rooms are **SINGLE**.

Q. *What is the accommodation like?*

A. The room is of a reasonable size and includes a wardrobe, chest of drawers and easy chair. There is a work surface with a desk chair. Tea/coffee is available in the room. It is student accommodation. En-suite - kettle in room; Standard – kettle in communal kitchen.

Q. *Do the rooms have single beds?*

A. Yes, the bed is a 3-foot single.

Q. *Are bathrooms/toilets adjacent?*

A. The En-suite rooms have shower and toilet facilities situated within the room, as you would find in a hotel room. The Standard rooms are in groups of 6, and they share bathing and toileting facilities.

All rooms are in groups of either 4 – En-suite, or 6 – standard, and each group has a fully equipped shared kitchen.

Q. *Are there any rooms for couples?*

A. No, all rooms are **SINGLE**.

Q. *Can I lock my room door?*

A. Yes, at registration you are given a key card to your room door, so your belongings are secure. The key card also opens the door to the group of rooms you will be staying in, no one else can enter your room with their key card.

Q. *Are there lifts in the Accommodation blocks?*

A. Yes, there are lifts in most blocks, but not in all of them.

Q. *Do we have to bring our own bed linen and towels?*

A. No, linen and towels are provided for you; they will be in your rooms on arrival.

Q. *When can we collect our Accommodation keys?*

A. Accommodation keys can be collected from the Registration desk from 3.00 p.m. More information in August.

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Questions relating to Courses

Q. *Can I reserve a place on a course before the initial booking date?*

A. Unfortunately, no, as the places are allocated on a first-come, first-served *basis*.

Q. *Can I take part in different courses during the week of summer school?*

A. No, this would not be practicable, as the tutors have prepared a course that builds on the subject matter, from the beginning through to the end of the course.

Q. *Is there a lift in the teaching block?*

A. Yes, there is, just inside the main entrance.

Q. *If I am off campus at lunchtime with my course, is lunch provided?*

A. Yes, packed lunches for those going out for the day will be available for collection at breakfast, from the restaurant, but they have to be ordered the day before.

Questions relating to Food/Restaurant

Q. *If the full accommodation option only includes evening meal, where do we go to get breakfast and lunch?*

A. Residential En-suite and residential Standard are full board which includes all meals and these are taken in the restaurant; refreshments are available in the restaurant during break time.

Q. *Are hot drinks available at lunch time in the restaurant?*

A. No, hot drinks are not served at lunchtime, but are available from vending machines near Otters Restaurant, or from the Coffee Shop which is situated in the library.

Alternatively, drinks can be made in the kitchens within your accommodation area, but you would need to bring your own provisions. The kitchen within each group of rooms has the usual white goods, so perishable items can be refrigerated.

Questions relating to Mobility

Q. *Is there much walking from the accommodation to the classes, as I get fatigued if it is too far?*

A. The campus is quite compact compared to other universities, but reasonable mobility is needed on campus to move between the accommodation blocks, the restaurant and the academic block. The restaurant is central with tables and chairs outside, so you could rest there a moment if necessary. Members with walkers were able to negotiate the grounds easily in previous years, as there are ramps as well as steps, where needed.

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Questions relating to Parking & Travel

- Q.** *I would be travelling from home to Chichester by train, is Chichester the nearest train station to the University?*
- A.** Yes, it is.
- Q.** *How do I get from the railway station to the campus?*
- A.** There is a bus service, but you would need to walk to the Cathedral, it is about a 10 minute or so walk, so a taxi might be the best solution as you will have luggage.
- Q.** *How will I know where the car park is on campus?*
- A.** There is a large car park on campus. You just follow the signs from the University's main gate, it is very straight forward. Also, it is marked clearly on the campus map you will receive in August.
- Q.** *Is there a bus service from the campus into the centre of Chichester and back?*
- A.** Bus 50 goes on the hour, every hour from the Cathedral bus stop, which heads towards *Summersdale*. The University is the first stop – timetable available there.

Questions relating to the University Campus

- Q.** *Is there anything else available for us on campus?*
- A.** Summer School provides evening entertainment on campus, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening for everyone, which is included in the cost of summer school. Also, there will be a lounge area available in H149 throughout the day.
- Q.** *What refreshments are available to us in the evening?*
- A.** There will be a bar available each evening from 7.30 – 10.00pm, run from the restaurant by a member of the university's staff.

Questions relating to the University

- Q.** *How will I find my way around the campus?*
- A.** The Information Pack you will receive in August will include a map of the campus, it has a key, so you can find the various buildings you will be using during your stay.
- Q.** *What is the address and telephone number of the University?*
- A.** The University's details are – **Tel:** 01243 793477
Address: University of Chichester, College Lane, Chichester PO19 6PE

Please note: These FAQs will be updated on a regular basis, between now and the start of Summer School.