

WELCOME TO YOUR OPEN DAY

STOKE-ON-TRENT CAMPUS
SATURDAY 9 MARCH 9.00AM – 3.30PM



#StaffsOpenDay

WHY CHOOSE US?

2ND

IN THE UK FOR
QUALITY EDUCATION

Sustainable Development Goal 4
THE Impact Rankings 2023

TOP
10
FOR CAREER
PROSPECTS

Whatuni Student Choice
Awards 2023

TOP
20
FOR
FACILITIES

Whatuni Student Choice
Awards 2023

TOP
10
FOR SOCIAL
INCLUSION

The Times and The Sunday Times
Good University Guide 2023

87%
OF RESEARCH IMPACT
IS 'OUTSTANDING' OR
'VERY CONSIDERABLE'

Research Excellence
Framework 2021

68%
OF RESEARCH IS
'INTERNATIONALLY EXCELLENT'
OR 'WORLD LEADING'

Research Excellence
Framework 2021

4
FOUR STAR
RATING

Qs Star
Ratings 2021

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WELCOME

There's no better way to find out what Staffordshire University is like than to see it for yourself.

We can't wait to welcome you to our vibrant and friendly community and we've got an exciting itinerary planned for your Open Day.

Explore our main Stoke-on-Trent campus, find out about our fantastic undergraduate and postgraduate courses, and see the opportunities our award-winning institution has to offer.

Experience our next generation education and discover your future.

PLAN YOUR OPEN DAY

We want you to get the most out of your day, so we would recommend you try and experience as much as you can.

1 From **9.00AM**
& **10.00AM**



REGISTER

When you arrive, head straight over to The Catalyst, where a member of our team will register you and explain how the day will work. Undergraduate students can register from 9.00am and postgraduate students from 10.00am.

2 From **9.30AM**



INFORMATION FAIR

This will include self-directed accommodation tours, campus tours including access to our Library along with 1:1 access to our services such as student, finance and application support.

3 From **10.00AM**



WHY CHOOSE STAFFORDSHIRE UNIVERSITY?

Hear from one of our influential and passionate leaders about Staffordshire University and our next generation educational experience.

4 From **10.00AM**



OPEN DAY ACTIVITIES

Immerse yourselves in activities ranging from subject specific facility tours to throwing yourself into hands-on demonstrations. These are available across campus as either drop-in or hourly activities throughout the day.

5 From **11.00AM**



SUBJECT IMMERSION

Immerse yourself in your chosen course, experience the facilities first hand and hear from teaching staff about your programme of study.

6 From **1.15PM**



HEAR FROM FINANCE

Hear from our finance team as they explain the finance application cycle and more.



ENJOY YOUR DAY

Don't forget to share it with us using **#StaffsOpenDay**



I'm super excited to see what the next chapter brings and I'm grateful that Staffs Uni has given me all of these opportunities, helping me on my path towards my career.



KAID MILLER

BEng (Hons) Graduate

INFORMATION FAIR

Our Information Fair is the go-to place for all your non-course related queries. It runs from 9.30am on Level 2 of The Catalyst.

Meet staff from a wide range of student services. Have a one-to-one chat with our Accommodation, Finance, Student Support and Welfare teams.

Find out about part-time work while you study, placements and childcare. You can also pick up valuable tips and advice on applying to university.

The fair is open to prospective undergraduate and postgraduate students.

ADMISSIONS

Our Admissions team will be on hand to talk you through the application process and answer any queries.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Speak to our Apprenticeships team to get the lowdown on higher and degree apprenticeships, a great way to gain university-level skills while earning a salary (**Catalyst Hall**).

CAREER CONNECT

Our essential hub for information, advice and guidance on careers. Discover more about our award-winning peer-to-peer coaches, employer events, placements and lots more.

FINANCE

Head over to the Student Finance stand for essential information on loans, fees, bursaries, repayments and budgeting.

APPLICATION SUPPORT

If you have questions about applying for undergraduate study with us, our application support team is here to help. Whether you're looking to study a taught undergraduate course or join our research community, we can give you the application support you need.

INCLUSION

Our Student Inclusion team can offer advice and support to any student with additional health or learning needs. We also offer support for other groups such as care leavers and LGBTQ+ students.

STUDENT SUPPORT AND WELLBEING

Our Student Support and Wellbeing team can offer you help with academic, personal, financial or wellbeing issues.

UNITEMPS

Meet our bespoke recruitment service for students and graduates who are looking for temporary part-time or full-time work.

WOODLANDS DAY NURSERY AND FOREST SCHOOL

If you're juggling childcare while you study or work, come and meet our expert qualified team at our amazing Woodlands Day Nursery who are on hand to answer any of your questions (**Catalyst Hall**).



Photo: Dan Hopkinson



TOURS

Take one of our bespoke facilities tours and see for yourself why thousands of students choose Staffordshire University. The activities run throughout the day (some require booking).

ACCOMMODATION

Join one of our self-guided tours for a close-up look at the place you could soon be calling 'home' as an undergraduate. We have a wide range of student halls and houses on campus. If you're interested in finding out more as a postgraduate, visit our accommodation stand.

CAMPUS

For the ultimate experience, go for one of our full student-led campus tours. Visit the Science Centre, Cadman Studios, Smart Zone and the Library. Join a tour from The Catalyst.

SMART ZONE

Smart Zone is the gateway to new technologies. See our immersive tech spaces, simulation equipment and maker spaces.

SPORTS CENTRE

Our Sir Stanley Matthews Sports Centre features a gym packed with Matrix Fitness-powered equipment, exercise studios, and cutting edge kit. We also have outdoor sports pitches. You can request a tour at the sports centre reception desk.

ACTIVITIES

IMMERSIVE TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE

Mellor - S116

See our VR, AR and 3D scanning technologies in action.

FILM & CINEMATOGRAPHY PRODUCTION GEAR EXPO

Henrion Media Centre - H068

Come to the Media Centre to get hands-on with a range of specialist film and media production equipment.

MEET THE FORMULA STUDENT RACING TEAM

Dwight - K036

Meet the Staffordshire University Formula Student racing team as they prepare their car for race day at Silverstone.

TOUR OUR 3D FACTORY

Mellor - Ground floor

See 3D printing in practice and have a go on our laser cutters.

THE BASICS OF BROADCASTING

Cadman TV Studio - G0129 Times: 10am, 11am, 1pm, and 2pm

Come and learn about the technology that underpins a professional television broadcast.

AUTOMOTIVE LAB TOURS

Dwight - K036

Tour our multi-purpose, industry-standard lab facilities that support a broad spectrum of Automotive and Motorsport disciplines including electric vehicle research and development.

STUDENTS' UNION

Our Students' Union (SU) proudly represents the academic interests of all students at Staffordshire University, offering advice and support, and overseeing student groups.

It means you can use any of the services, attend the events, join clubs and societies, and support the Union to work with the University to enhance the student voice.

Our SU also has support services that are independent of the University to help with money, advice and anything you might need.

If you're looking to try something new, or continue sports and interests, our SU helps students to run more than 100 different groups. A number of our clubs and societies will be showcasing what they do to add an extra experience to your day.

Our SU team will be in attendance throughout the day in their dedicated offices in College Road. Feel free to call in and have a chat. Take time to relax and have a coffee, smoothie or light meal in either Verve, Squeeze Box or Ember Lounge. Or simply pop into the shop for refreshments. All venues are operated by student staff - just one of the ways our SU helps to develop students.



At Staffordshire Students' Union, we are dedicated to making your student experience truly exceptional. Our commitment to your success and well-being is at the heart of everything we do. We take immense pride in offering a plethora of resources and services designed to enrich your academic and personal growth. **Get involved, create lasting memories, and forge friendships that will last a lifetime. See you soon!**



OLAYEMI AJITERU
Students' Union President



FOOD & DRINK

Need to refuel? Just pop into one of our various venues for light bites, hot and cold drinks, sweet treats, breakfast and lunch.

COLLEGE ROAD

Venue	Opening times
Squeeze Box	9.30am - 3.00pm
Pavilion Fusion Café	10.00am - 3.00pm
Ember Lounge (viewing only)	12.00pm - 3.00pm

LEEK ROAD

Venue	Opening times
Catalyst Coffee Shop	8.00am - 3.30pm
Catalyst Deli Bar	9.00am - 3.00pm
Catalyst Bistro	11.00am - 2.30pm
Leek Road Shop	12.00pm - 6.00pm



And don't forget, free tea and coffee is available throughout the Open Day from all catering outlets.

CATALYST KITCHEN

Situated off the main entrance in our Catalyst Building, the University's hub of activity on Open Days.

Serving artisan sandwiches, salads, smoothies and shakes, as well as our new craft coffee and traditional favourites.



COFFEE LAB

Based at Leek Road, the Coffee Lab is on the ground floor of the Science Centre.

The Coffee Lab offers a full Costa Coffee range of hot and cold drinks as well as sandwiches and hot food snacks such as toasties, pies, and paninis.



EMBER LOUNGE

At the heart of the College Road campus is the Ember Lounge venue.

Open throughout the week, it's the Students' Union's number one daytime and evening venue for a great range of food and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic refreshments.



PAVILION BURRITO AND WRAP BAR

Our Mexican style restaurant that offers Breakfast and Lunch menus throughout the week.

In the morning you can enjoy some local Staffordshire oatcakes or if you prefer a traditional English breakfast and a brew.



ROUTES INTO STUDY

We're here to support your education journey all the way through to graduation and a successful career.

From taking a first degree to exploring postgraduate options, these are the main traditional routes to studying at Staffordshire University. But it's always worth speaking with our teams to explore other routes too, which take into account any experience and skills you may have in your chosen field.

A-Levels / T-Levels

The grades you'll need will depend on the course you want to study. You'll find the UCAS tariff entry requirements on the individual course page of our website.

BTEC

Many students join us with Level 3 BTECs. If you have a BTEC Level 5 or 6, you may go straight onto the second or third year of a degree.

Step Up to HE

Step Up to HE is a free 10-week course that gives you a taste of what it's like to study at university. To find out more, visit: www.staffs.ac.uk/stepup.

Access to HE diploma

Access to HE courses are offered in a variety of subjects at Level 3.



Direct

If you studied at undergraduate level and have been in industry, or want to switch career paths, you can apply direct. This will depend on previous qualifications or work experience.



Progression

Your higher education journey can continue after you graduate. If you take your undergraduate degree with us, you may qualify for an alumni discount.



Step Up

If you are a mature student who graduated some time ago or a professional without a degree, you can apply via our step up programme.



Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

Higher and degree apprenticeships are the work-based route to higher education, which offer on-the-job training and a qualification. Learn more at staffs.ac.uk/apprenticeships

UNDERGRADUATE OPEN EVENT

Start your journey to success with Staffordshire University by getting the most out of your Open Day.

We've got a packed programme covering all the essentials, from what campus life is like through to informative subject talks. There will also be demonstrations and hands-on activities.

Kick off the Open Day by finding out more about the University, our cutting-

edge facilities and what it's like to study here at our 'why choose Staffordshire University' talk. We have several sessions taking place throughout the morning.

Then get to grips with money matters at our student finance talk. It will cover everything you need to know, including loans, fees, bursaries and budgeting. Help plan your day using our schedule below.

TALKS	SESSION	LOCATION
Why choose Staffordshire University?	10.00am - 10.30am 10.30am - 11.00am 12.30pm - 1.00pm	The Catalyst Building The Gallery
Accommodation	1.15pm - 1.45pm	The Catalyst Building The Gallery
Finance	1.45pm - 2.15pm	The Catalyst Building The Gallery
Apprenticeships	2.15pm - 2.45pm	The Catalyst Building The Gallery

Subject talks take place throughout the day. To view your subject area, please follow the QR code for further details.



POSTGRADUATE OPEN EVENT

Boost your career prospects by taking a postgraduate course with Staffordshire University.

Whether you're continuing your studies, looking for the right qualification to win promotion or retraining for a new job, we've got something to suit your needs.

You can find out more by visiting our dedicated postgraduate lounge on the third floor of The Catalyst. We are holding drop-in sessions throughout the day so you can get all your key questions answered.

You will be able to chat to academics about different subject areas and flexible study options. Alongside our Masters degrees and other postgraduate taught courses, we also offer research-based routes such as professional doctorates and PhDs.

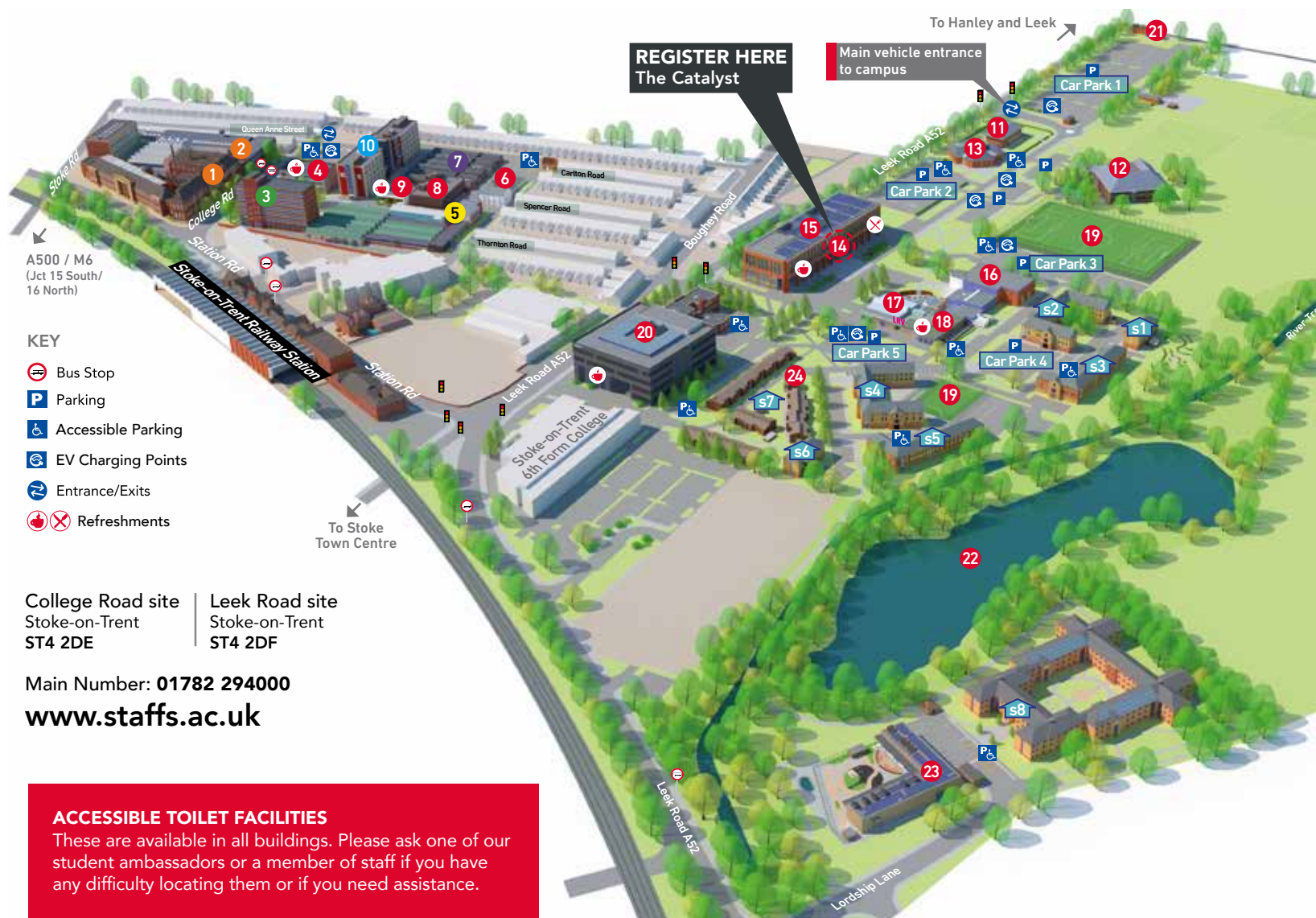
Our Graduate School is home to a community of around 500 postgraduate researchers. Come and meet the team and find out how we can help you get the most out of your time at Staffordshire University.

If you have a query about a non-course related topic, such as finance and loans, you can also visit our Information Fair on the second floor of the Catalyst building.

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CAMPUS MAP



KEY

- Bus Stop
- Parking
- Accessible Parking
- EV Charging Points
- Entrance/Exits
- Refreshments

College Road site | Leek Road site
Stoke-on-Trent | Stoke-on-Trent
ST4 2DE | ST4 2DF

Main Number: **01782 294000**

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ACCESSIBLE TOILET FACILITIES

These are available in all buildings. Please ask one of our student ambassadors or a member of staff if you have any difficulty locating them or if you need assistance.

FIRST AID

Should you need any assistance or first aid help during your visit, speak to one of our student ambassadors or a member of staff and they will find the nearest first aid trained member of staff for you.



'No Mow' zones

To help tackle the decline of wildflowers and pollenating insects, we maintain 'No Mow' areas across our sites, as part of the Wild Staffs Project - working together to preserve and enhance biodiversity and wildlife habitats on campus.

MAP KEY

College Road site

- 1 Cadman Building: Café Cadman, Campus Safety and Security
- 2 Cadman Studios / G Room Lecture Theatres
- 3 Flaxman Building / Film Theatre
- 4 Beacon Building / Pavilion Café
- 5 Henrion Building/Henrion Gallery
- 6 Performance Centre
- 7 Dwight Building
- 8 Students' Union Offices and Advice Centre (First floor) / Ember Lounge (Ground floor)
- 9 Students' Union Shop / Squeeze Box
- 10 Mellor Building / Smart Zone / Innovation Enterprise Zone / Digital Kiln / SAMIAC

Leek Road site

- 11 Ashley 1 Building
- 12 Ashley 2 Building
- 13 Library Core
- 14 The Catalyst - Entrance
- 15 Bistro and Coffee Shop
- 16 Sir Stanley Matthews Sports Centre
- 17 LRV (Leek Road Venue)/ Students' Union Shop
- 18 Students' Union - Squeezebox at The Verve
- 19 All Weather Sports Pitches
- 20 Science Centre / Coffee Lab
- 21 Crime Scene House
- 22 Staffordshire University Nature Reserve
- 23 Woodlands Nursery and Forest School
- 24 Health and Social Care - Community House / Leek Road House 33

Student Accommodation

- s1 Coalport (ST4 2YJ)
- s2 Wedgwood (ST4 2YJ)
- s3 Spode (ST4 2YJ)
- s4 Royal Doulton (ST4 2YJ)
- s5 Aynsley (ST4 2YJ)
- s6 Minton (ST4 2YJ)
- s7 Leek Road Houses (ST4 2XQ)
- s8 Clarice Cliff Court (ST4 2TQ)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



FREE WIFI

Simply select 'WiFi Guest' and choose 'Get online at Staffordshire University' so you can start sharing your day with us from the moment you arrive. Why not try out our Snapchat Geofilter and send us your snaps of the day?



VISITORS WITH DISABILITIES

If you have specific support needs, please let us know by emailing events@staffs.ac.uk prior to your visit so we can make suitable arrangements. If you'd like to speak to someone during your visit, head to the Student Support and Welfare stand at the Information Fair.



FIRST AID

If you need assistance or first aid help during your visit, it's important not to panic. Speak to one of our friendly ambassadors or staff. They will find the closest first aid trained member of staff for you.



FIRE ALARM

If a fire alarm sounds, leave the building by the nearest exit. A member of staff or student ambassador will direct you to the nearest fire assembly point. Do not use lifts or re-enter the building until staff confirm it is safe to do so.



PHOTOGRAPHY / FILMING

Some photography and filming will be taking place during the Open Day for us to use in future University publicity material. Please let the photographer know if you don't want to appear in any photos or video footage.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Don't forget to share your Open Day experience using #StaffsOpenDay. Plus, for more exciting coverage of the day, including live Q&As, tours and competitions, visit our social media channels. www.staffs.ac.uk/socialmedia



The staff have supported me with digital skills and career advice. With the knowledge gained, I secured a graduate job even before completing my course.



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