

Get ready for MSc Transport Engineering and Planning

Welcome to [UWE Bristol](#) and to the [MSc Transport Engineering and Planning](#) course. Our team at the [Centre for Transport and Society](#) are looking forward to meeting you and supporting you through a rewarding time on our programme. This letter outlines a few points to help you prepare for the course. Please do get in touch with me if you have any queries.

Dr Ben Clark
Programme Leader

Before you start

We are looking forward to welcoming you in the week commencing 15 September for Starting Block and the beginning of your programme.

The Starting Block will help you to settle into university and get to know your teaching team and course mates. There will be an induction day dedicated to introducing you to the MSc Transport Engineering and Planning programme. We will also help you find your way around, get used to our learning platforms, and practise the skills you need to make a strong start through a mix of face to face and online activities. Look out for further emails and explore the [Starting Block website](#) with more details.

Your [timetable](#) will be available to you via [MYUWE](#) (login required) once you have started the registration process. Please visit the '[Understanding your teaching timetable](#)' website to find out when your timetable will be published.

Preparing and arrival

It is important to make sure you arrive and are settled in or close to Bristol before the 15 September. To thrive on the programme, you need to be able to attend classes and have quality time available to study between classes. Note that the full-time programme involves 2-days of classes each week on campus. The part-time programme involves 1-day of classes each week on campus.

You can find everything you need to know about registration, Starting Block and the start of teaching, on our [Preparing and Arrival](#) webpage. Take a look at our website to familiarise yourself with our facilities and services such as the [library](#), [study skills](#), [academic support](#), [health and wellbeing support](#) and much more.

You can also explore our support for careers and enterprise. [UWE Careers & Enterprise](#) provide a range of workshops, appointments and online resources to support students in

realising their future ambitions. The [Careers Toolkit](#) is our online portal to finding vacancies and booking onto events.

Registration

Once you have satisfied all admissions requirements, we'll send you your login details for our IT systems to enable you to activate your university email account. Once your account has been activated, you'll gain access to the [MYUWE](#) platform where you can register. You can find guidance and further information on our [Registration](#) website.

ID card - upload your photo now

We can only print your ID card if you have added your photo to [MYUWE](#). To avoid delays, upload your photo as soon as you receive login details. For help, go to our [student card guidance](#).

Engage with your programme

Start your learning

The Centre for Transport and Society at UWE Bristol has created a series of short films, '[Surprising Things You Never Knew About Transport](#)', which challenge beliefs among policymakers and the general public.

Read around your subject

Here are some recommended titles for you to read before starting the course:

- Read the UK [Transport Planning Society's](#) , [Principles of Transport Planning](#) and skim through their [State of the Nation](#) report for an understanding of contemporary transport planning and engineering issues in the UK.
- Dip into the executive summary of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's assessment of [Transport and Climate Change](#).
- Explore the [International Transport Forum's Road Safety in Action: Safe System Tool](#).

Be prepared

Learning and access support

UWE provide many support services to accommodate your needs. Have a look at the [Disability web pages](#) and contact me (ben4.clark@uwe.ac.uk) as programme leader if there are particular requirements that will help with your studies.

Get equipped

You will need a laptop to complete your studies. UWE Bristol licenses many specialist software packages for use on personal laptops for the duration of your course. We also access online resources during class sessions - to reduce printing and to increase the range of resources we can use in class. You will need to have a good laptop or tablet with you in class to access these online resources.

See the UWE website for detailed information on [choosing your IT equipment](#) including [recommended specifications](#). For this programme we recommend the Core Specification for your laptop hardware.

The University has computers on all campuses for you to use during your studies. These provide access to our core digital learning tools and any specialist software required for your course. You will have scheduled sessions in computer labs or other specialist facilities, and you will be able to use open-access PCs for self-study.

If you're struggling to meet the financial demands of your course, please contact [the Student Money Service](#) team for advice and guidance.

International students

[The Global Student Support Team](#) offer information and advice to ensure you receive all the support you need to get the best from your time at UWE Bristol. They are here to help you to settle in when you first arrive at UWE Bristol and organise social events to help you to adapt to your new environment.

Who to contact if you have questions

For any questions about the programme, please contact me: **Ben Clark** via email at ben4.clark@uwe.ac.uk

Please note: this information has been provided on the assumption that you will meet the conditions of your offer and be eligible to take up your place.

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