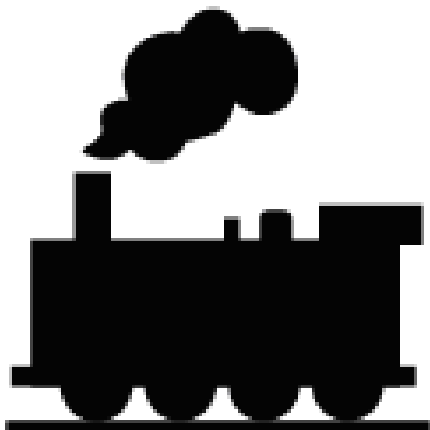


BHASVIC

STUDENT TRAVEL GUIDE

2009/2010



INTRODUCTION

The aim of this guide is to cover all the discounts and funding which are available to help with the expense of travelling to College.

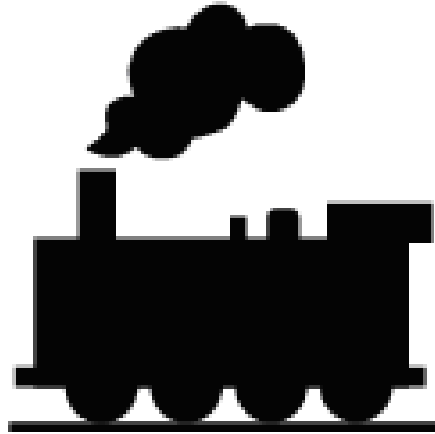
The information in this booklet is a guide only and is correct at the time of print. BHASVIC can take no responsibility if services, prices and timetables change.

Please check direct with the travel companies concerned to ensure that you get the most up to date information.

Please also bear in mind that many of the discounts listed depend on where you live, so do make sure you know which Local Authority you come under.

Further information can be found online at <http://www.bhasvic.ac.uk>, under the Student Services section or by visiting the Student Welfare Office (Room 63c, near the Careers Suite) Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri between 9am and 2pm.

BHASVIC BY TRAIN



SUSSEX STUDENT CARD

What is it?

The Sussex Student Card is a discount ticket scheme for full-time students aged 16-19 living in East Sussex, West Sussex or Brighton & Hove who attend a sixth form or further education college.

The card gives students one third off rail season tickets subject to a minimum period of one month and a minimum fare equivalent to £8 per week (in other words, it applies to season tickets of between one month and a year and you cannot use the card if it would bring your total cost to below £8 per week).

How does it work?

The discount applies to any train journey within the Southern Railways and Connex South Eastern areas. You can only access the discount with the card (this gives you a unique number you use to buy tickets online via the Sussex Further Education Season Ticket website www.southernrailway.com/further-ed) and you must carry the card with you when using a rail season ticket purchased under the scheme.

How do I get a card?

To apply for the card you need to complete an application form. These are available from the Student Welfare Office (Room 63c near the Careers Suite) or from your Local Authority (you can download forms from the West and East Sussex Council websites).

The form must be countersigned by College (Student Welfare) and then sent to the address at the bottom of the form, along with a photograph and self-addressed envelope. Your Sussex Student Card will be sent to your home address to enable you to buy season tickets online as outlined above.

UNIZONE

What is it?

Unizone is a special season ticket scheme for students which offers unlimited train travel in and around the Brighton or Worthing areas.

The stations included in the Brighton Unizone area are:

- Falmer
- Moulescoomb
- London Road
- Preston Park
- Brighton
- Hove
- Aldrington
- Portslade
- Fishergate
- Southwick
- Shoreham-by-Sea
- Lancing

The stations included in the Worthing Unizone area are:

- Shoreham-by-Sea
- Lancing
- East Worthing
- Worthing
- West Worthing
- Durrington-on-Sea
- Goring-by-Sea

- Angmering
- Littlehampton
- Ford
- Barnham
- Bognor Regis
- Chichester

How does it work?

To qualify for a Unizone ticket you must be a member of the National Union of Students (NUS) and must present your valid NUS card when purchasing your ticket. Unizone tickets are only available from staffed train stations within the Unizone area.

How much does it cost?

Brighton Unizone Weekly ticket: £11.50
Brighton Unizone Monthly ticket: £44.20
Brighton Unizone Quarterly ticket: £132.50

Worthing Unizone Weekly ticket: £13.50
Worthing Unizone Monthly ticket: £51.80
Worthing Unizone Quarterly ticket: £155.50

These fares are valid from January 2009 until further notice. For current information check online at www.southernrailway.com/further-ed.

BHASVIC BY BUS



BUS ID (Brighton & Hove)

What is it?

Bus ID is an identity card for 5 -18 year olds which gives reduced fares (up to 50%) and travel offers on Brighton & Hove bus services.

A Bus ID card is completely free and is valid until 31st October after your 18th birthday or, if you turn 18 in September or October and are in full-time education, to the 31st August after your 18th birthday.*

Cards are only available to residents aged 5 -18 living permanently in the area served by the Brighton & Hove Bus Company.

How does it work?

Production of a valid Bus ID card gives the following reduced fares:

1 Day City or SuperSAVER	£1.80
Weekly SuperSAVER	£8
3 Month SuperSAVER	£69

Holders of a Bus ID can also travel for 50p per journey after 6pm on schooldays and anytime at weekends and designated school holidays.

With the exception of the 3 Month SuperSAVER, which can only be purchased at a 1 Stop Travel shop or the Brighton & Hove Bus Company office in Conway Street, tickets are available from all Brighton & Hove bus drivers on production of a valid Bus ID card.

How do I get one?

You will need a recent passport photo and one of the following as proof of your age: birth certificate; passport; NHS medical card; or driving licence.

You need to complete an application form and post or drop it off with proof of age and a passport photo to any of the following addresses:

1 Stop Travel
16 Old Steine
Brighton
BN1 1EN

1 Stop Travel Centre
Brighton Station
BN1 3XP

Brighton & Hove Bus Co
43 Conway Street
Hove
BN3 3LT

Application forms are available from the outlets listed above or online at www.buses.co.uk. They are also available from the Student Welfare Office (Room 63c near the Careers Suite.)

* Cards are usually issued until the 31st October after your 18th birthday. However the Bus Company has advised the College that, if you turn 18 in September or October and are in full-time education, they will issue you with a card valid until 31 August 2010. So make sure you tell them that you are a full-time student.

YOUR 3-IN-1 CARD (WEST SUSSEX)

What is it?

The “Your 3-in1 Card” is a scheme administered by West Sussex County Council which gives those aged 16–19 and in further education: 1) cheaper bus fares; 2) ID/proof of ages; and 3) discounts with certain retailers.

How does it work?

Cards are colour coded according to age. If you are 16,17 or 18+ you will be issued with a green card which will give you half fare travel at all times/days of the week for journeys wholly or partly within West Sussex.

To qualify for the half fares you must show your 3-in-1 card to the driver.

(You should find that all bus operators within West Sussex accept the 3-in-1 card but it is worth checking with your local bus company for the discounts they offer.)

How do I get one?

Cards are free and application forms can either be downloaded at www.yourspacewestsussex.co.uk or

obtained from the Student Welfare Office (near the Careers Suite). You should send your completed application form, along with a passport style photograph to:

YourCard CitizenCard Scheme
West Sussex County Council
Customers and Communities
County Hall
West Street
Chichester
West Sussex
PO19 1RQ

Tel: 01243 777330

Your 3-in-1 Card will be sent to the College (to Student Welfare) in about 4-6 weeks, and will be forwarded to you via your tutor.

CHOICE+ ID CARD (EAST SUSSEX)

What is it?

If you live in East Sussex, are aged between 16 and 19 and in full-time further education, you can get cheaper bus travel with a free **Choice+** iD card.

How does it work?

With a **Choice+** iD card you can buy a Pathfinder ticket for just £11.50 from the driver and get unlimited travel on almost any bus in East Sussex for seven consecutive days. Choice ID+ cards/Pathfinder tickets are only available to students in full-time further education aged 16–19.

You can use your Pathfinder bus ticket in the evenings and at weekends as well as to get to college. For more details visit www.eastsussex.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/public/concessionaryfares

How do I get one?

Cards are free and application forms can either be downloaded on line at: [Choice+ bus iD card application form \(Pathfinder tickets\)](#)

www.eastsussex.gov.uk or obtained from the Student Welfare Office (near the Careers Suite).

Once you have filled in the form it must be stamped by College (take it to the Student Welfare Office, near the Careers Suite.) You then need to send it with a recent passport-sized photo to:

Passenger Transport Team
East Sussex County Council
County Hall
St Anne's Crescent
Lewes
East Sussex BN7 1UE

Your Choice ID+ card will be sent to you within 14 days of receipt of your application form. Pathfinder tickets are then purchased on the bus.

LOCAL AUTHORITY (LA) TRAVEL SUPPORT

BRIGHTON & HOVE LOCAL AUTHORITY SUPPORT

You may be eligible to apply for travel support from Brighton & Hove Local Authority (LA) if:

- You are living in Brighton, Hove or Portslade when your course starts;
- You are starting an FE course
- You are aged under 19 on the 31st August before your course starts
- You or your family are receiving one of the following benefits:
 - Income support
 - Income based Job Seekers Allowance
 - Child Tax Credit where the household income is £16,040 or less
 - Employment and Support Allowance
 - Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

The journey travelled to College must be more than 3 miles by the shortest walking route and must be within the Brighton & Hove area. There may be exceptions if there is no appropriate course closer to home.

Students receiving EMA will be expected to meet the first £10 per week of their travel costs. So, if you are in receipt of EMA you will not be given any help with your travel costs unless these are more than £10 per week and you satisfy the other criteria above.

Application forms (PS1) are available from Student Welfare (Room 63c, near the Careers Suite) or from the Student Support Team at Brighton & Hove City Council:

Student Support Team
Brighton & Hove City Council
PO Box 2503
Kings House
Grand Avenue
Hove
BN3 2SU

Tel: 01273 293603

E-mail: student.support@brighton-hove.gov.uk

WEST SUSSEX LOCAL AUTHORITY (LA) SUPPORT

You may be eligible to apply for travel support from West Sussex Local Authority (LA) if:

- You are living in West Sussex when your course starts;
- You are starting an FE course
- You are aged under 19 on the 31st August before your course starts
- You or your family are receiving one of the following benefits:
 - Income support
 - Income based Job Seekers Allowance
 - Child Tax Credit where the household income is £16,040 or less
 - Employment and Support Allowance
 - Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

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Application forms (PS1) are available from Student Welfare (Room 63c, near the Careers Suite); from the Student Support Team at West Sussex County Council:

Student Support Office,
West Sussex County Council
Ambassador House
Crane Street
Chichester
West Sussex
PO19 1RF

Tel: 01243 752172/3

E-mail: student.support@westsussex.gov.uk

Or on-line at the West Sussex Grid for Learning:

<http://wsgfl.westsussex.gov.uk/schooltransport>

EAST SUSSEX LOCAL AUTHORITY (LA) SUPPORT

You may be entitled to help with transport from East Sussex County Council, if you have to travel over three miles to the nearest appropriate FE provision.

The nearest appropriate FE provision is defined as “the nearest establishment which provides a course to enable the student to achieve their aim of gaining a place on their desired Higher Education course or career.”

You also need to meet the following criteria:

- You are living in East Sussex when your course starts;
- You are starting an FE course
- You are aged under 19 on the 31st August before your course starts
- You or your family are receiving one of the following benefits:
 - Income support
 - Income based Job Seekers Allowance
 - Child Tax Credit where the household income is £16,040 or less
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you are in receipt of EMA you will not be given any help with your travel costs unless these are more than £10 per week and you satisfy the other criteria above.

If your application for travel assistance is successful help is provided by way of a grant. For students attending colleges in Brighton & Hove the grant will be restricted to the cost of weekly bus tickets on Brighton & Hove buses.

Application forms (PS1) for assistance with travel are available from Student Welfare (Room 63c, near the Careers Suite); from the Admissions and Transport Team at East Sussex County Council:

Admissions and Transport Team
County Hall
St Anne's Crescent
Lewes
BN7 1SG

Tel: 0345 6080190

Email: admissions@eastsussex.gov.uk

Or on-line at:

eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning

GENERAL INFORMATION

NUS CARD

When you enrol at BHASVIC you will be issued with an NUS Card by the Student Union.

As well as enabling you to buy Unizone tickets, your NUS card can offer various discounts on travel and also in many shops, restaurants and entertainment venues across the city.

You will need to check with your travel operator to get up to date information on the prices available for holders of an NUS card.

16-25 RAIL CARD

What is it?

A 16-25 Railcard is a card for students aged between 16-25, or a mature student, over the age of 26 and in full-time education.

How does it work?

A 16-25 Railcard will save you 1/3 on most rail fares throughout Great Britain for a whole year. You can use it anytime on weekends, Public

Holidays and during the week. there may be restrictions if you travel before 10.00am Monday to Friday

How much does it cost?

It costs £26 for one year, or £65 for three years .

How do I apply?

Application forms are available from your local staffed train station or online at www.16-25railcard.co.uk. You will also need a passport sized photograph, proof of age and proof that you are in full time education (eg your NUS card).