Getting to Macquarie University

There are many ways of traveling to Macquarie University, with regular trains, bus services, and bicycles that extend to most suburbs across Sydney. If you live within five kilometers of the campus, cycling and walking is the most healthy, convenient, and cheapest way to travel. Public transport can be very convenient and is often the preferred mode of travel for many students and staff. Consider carpooling or mixing your transport modes for part of your journey.

To assist you in understanding your travel options, this guide provides information on:

- Catching the train
- Riding the bus
- Cycling
- Walking
- Carpooling
- Driving
- Taxi
- Courtesy Shuttle Bus

For more transport information please visit www mq edu au/transport

Transport

Macquarie University encourages students, staff, and visitors to use public transport options. There are a number of great benefits associated with traveling by public transport, including:

- Avoiding frustrating traffic jams and wasted time waiting in the queue at the end of the journey
- Substantial financial savings when purchasing annual quarterly MyMall or MyTrain tickets up to $5000 per annum against purchasing weekly travel tickets (based on a 48 week period)
- Using your travel time to catch up on a study or read a favorite book, magazine or newspaper or have a nap
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions as a result of offloading your car off the road, even for part of your travel time.

Transport Ticketing

The most convenient way to travel by public transport to the university is using the MyMall ticket system. Please note that in New South Wales, only international students sponsored by the Australian Government are permitted to receive student concession fares as these students are included in formal university exchange programs. There are a number of great benefits associated with purchasing a MyMall/MyTrain ticket. Weekly travel tickets (MyTrain) may only be purchased online. MyMall (MyTrain/MyPlan only) passes, including:

- MyMall and MyTrain allow unlimited travel on rail, bus, and tram services within the specified zone for the ticket’s valid period, while MyTrain allows unlimited travel on trains only.
- Travel becomes simpler and more convenient as there are no queues when purchasing your ticket.
- Purchasing annual quarterly MyMall or MyTrain tickets up to $5000 per annum have substantial financial savings when compared to purchasing monthly tickets (based on a 48 week period).

Bus Frequent services on Sydney bus services are MyMall (10 trips) and MyTrain ticket. These tickets can be purchased on campus from the Campus Hub Spot (bblong chargers) and a local newsagent off campus.

Car Parking

The University has approximately 6000 parking spaces in a mixture of low-rise and underground car parks. Staff and students are eligible to purchase a parking permit that enables the driver to park their cars if a space is available. Daily, monthly, and年度 parking options are also available, but not for the M10, 3G, and 3K car parks.

Parking Permits can be purchased from the Cashiers Office in the student center located in the Lincoln Building. For more information, please visit www mq edu au/transport

Cycling

Cycling is a cheap, quick and healthy way to travel. By cycling frequently, you maintain muscle strength, become fit and increase your lifespan. All students are encouraged to cycle to the university as it is a healthy, sustainable and convenient way to travel. Cycling brings about stress relief and promotes a healthier lifestyle.

Bike Parking

The university has a bike parking facility for students and staff who cycle to Macquarie University. There are two bicycle racks available for your use, one near the SRC and the other near the WFA. The Bike Hub is located in the Student Center. For more information, please visit www mq edu au/transport

Walking

Walking is a low impact activity that requires minimal equipment and can be performed at your own pace. You can use one of the many walking trails around the University to give you something to go.

Maintaining a healthy lifestyle

Walking could be an alternative to transport modes, helping you to maintain a healthy weight, improve your fitness and lower your risk of developing conditions such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes and osteoporosis.

Catching the Train

Macquarie University station is located on Honour Road between the university and the Macquarie Centre. Regular train services operate on the Northern Line between Hornby and the City via Macquarie Park. The station is wheelchair accessible and open from 6:30am to 10:30pm daily. Services run approximately every 15 minutes during each direction.

Timetables

Timetables are available at the station and can be downloaded from the CityRail website www cityrail nsw com au

Train Fares

To calculate the cost of your trip, go to the fare calculator on the CityRail website www cityrail nsw com au

Please note, international students will need to receive student concession fares as those sponsored by the Australian Government or universities involved in formal university exchange programs.