

APPRENTICES

The Gloucestershire apprenticeship travel scheme offers a Thinksmart bus pass to 16-24 year olds giving 100 free journeys to and from your placement.

Apply at: gloucestershire.gov.uk/transport/thinksmart-apprentice-travel-scheme/

ON UNIVERSAL CREDIT OR JOBSEEKERS

Jobcentre Plus can offer Travel Discount cards once you have been on claim for over three months which give a 50% discount on selected rail and bus tickets.

To find out more:

- Ask your Jobcentre Plus work coach
- Stagecoach bus discounts: stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/national/back-on-board

Jobcentre Plus may also be able to provide funding to cover the cost of travel to training (providing you have an offer of a job subject to completion of training) - ask your Jobcentre Plus work coach for details. Your work coach may also be able to help with travel to interview or with travel costs when you first start work.

BICYCLE

Cycling part of your journey can be a great way to save money and make your journey easier. Train stations have bike racks, or take your bike on the train - you'll need to book space for your bike on the train unless it's a folding bicycle. There are several schemes in Gloucestershire to help you buy an affordable recycled bicycle - find out at: gloucestershirerecycles.com/reduce/repair/bikes

E-SCOOTER

The e-scooter trials in Cheltenham and Gloucester are great for short local trips or to join up your journey - check out the Voi app for prices and availability: voi.co/city

USEFUL RESOURCES:

Information on Gloucestershire travel: gloucestershire.gov.uk/thinktravel

Route planning: traveline.info or use the 'Directions' option on google.com/maps

Bus times: bustimes.org

Share your own travel tips:

Email: letstalktravel@gcrp.org.uk

Find more resources & information at: gcrp.org.uk

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TRAIN

Railcards for £30 per year:

16-17 Saver: (digital or plastic card)

Discount: 50% off

16-25 Railcard: (digital or plastic card)

Discount: 1/3 off

26-30 Railcard: (just digital)

Discount: 1/3 off

Lots of other railcards also available at:
gwr.com/your-tickets/railcards

Where to buy:

- Online at: railcard.co.uk
- At a National Rail ticket office
- Pick up an railcard application form at National Rail train stations

IMPORTANT!

Check if there are restrictions on using your railcard before travelling. There's a minimum fare of £12 on journeys starting between 04.30–09.59 Monday to Friday (excluding Public Holidays).

Travelling regularly by train?

- Check out Season, Flexi tickets or the pay as you go option
- Book early for cheaper tickets
- Buying separate tickets for different parts of your journey can be cheaper:
thetrainline.com/trains/great-britain/split-tickets
splitticketing.com
splitmyfare.co.uk/

BUS

There is a £2 single bus fare cap until 31st Dec 2024.

Stagecoach West travelcards:

Dayrider: unlimited travel for 1 day (in a designated zone)

Cost: adult from £3.25 or under 19's from £2.25

7 Day MegaRider: unlimited travel in a designated zone

Cost: adult from £12.50 or under 19's from £9

7 Day MegaRider West Gold:

unlimited travel across the whole region

Cost: adult £25 or under 19 from £23.50

Flexi 5: (available on app) 5 tickets for the price of 4 – valid for 3 months

Where to buy a travelcard:

- Via Stagecoach Bus App
- Online at: stagecoachbus.com
- On the bus from driver
- From the Stagecoach Travel shop in Gloucester

Prices are for those bought on the Stagecoach Bus App or through the website. Tickets bought from the driver or in the Stagecoach Travel Shop vary, please visit stagecoachbus.com for full details.

Pulhams Coaches:

Weekly or 4-weekly tickets available on some services

COACHES

- Try Megabus for cheap coach travel
- Check out offers from National Express (including coachcards for 1/3 off) at:
nationalexpress.com/en/offers

STUDENTS

Stagecoach West:

Savings available on journeys to some colleges with a valid student ID card – ask your bus driver

Bus passes available for University of Gloucestershire students including:

Annual UniRider: (available online or on App)

Cost: £445 for academic year or £535 for full year.

Single term tickets also available.

Visit: stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/west/unirider for full details.



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