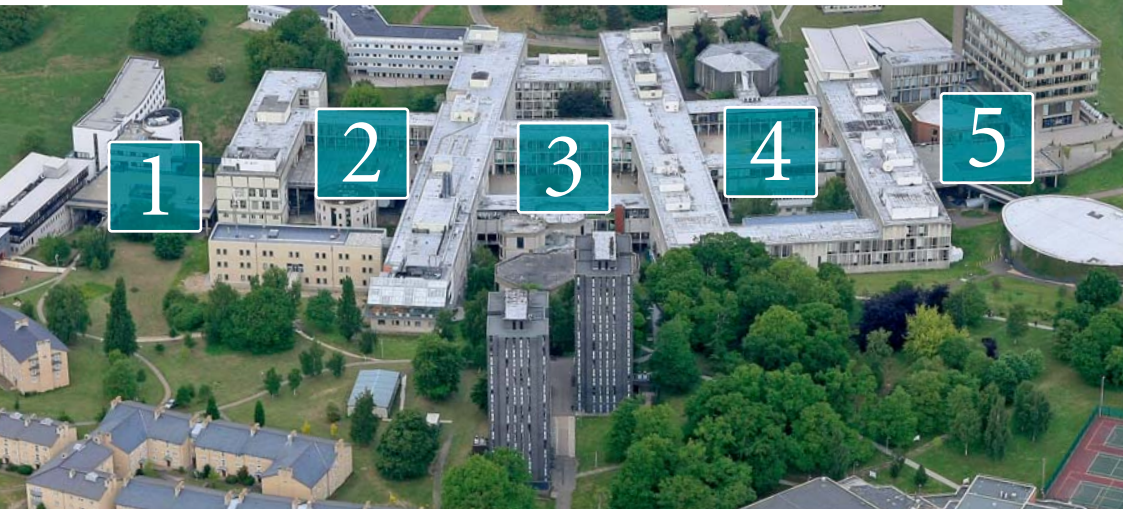




Colchester Campus Access Map



A guide to step-free routes and access information at the University of Essex (Colchester Campus)

Colchester Campus was built in the 1960s in a valley surrounded by sloping parkland. Most limitations of age and terrain have however been successfully addressed over time and today the campus is...

- **Step-free** central campus has level access throughout, and our departments, teaching spaces, social facilities and most routes (with the exception of steeper outlying gradients) are independently accessible to all.
- **Compact** our main University buildings are set into the valley around a series of squares. From the centre, you will rarely have to travel very far to reach your destination.
- **Warm and dry** wheelchair accessible routes are sometimes a little circuitous, but you can move between almost all departments on central campus without going outside.
- **Well-populated and safe** the campus design ensures that there should always be people nearby to direct or assist you if you need.

Using this map

- **The map focuses on central campus** its squares, routes, information points, accessible parking and toilets. Access information for outlying destinations is given in information boxes, and online: access@essex.ac.uk
- **The map is a square-level guide** it shows facilities and routes which are directly accessible at square-level. All other levels and facilities can however be easily reached via lift from square-level (see 'locations' table for access routes).

Three tips for negotiating central campus

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Know your squares (and your square-levels)

- Five squares dominate campus, with squares 3 and 4 at its heart. Most departments, social spaces and facilities can be accessed directly from them.
- The five squares are set at three different levels. Square numbers do not tally with level numbers, so it pays to know both! Here's a guide:

SQ.1 = level 3; SQ.2/3 = level 4; SQ.4/5 = level 5



Know your compass

- The squares sit conveniently on a north-south-east-west axis; their corner entrances are all defined by compass reference points, for example:
4NE = the north-east corner of square 4

H5

Know your super-lifts

- Some lifts (marked as rectangles) are particularly important because they link *different square levels* and/or provide access to *under podia* where accessible parking for registered student/staff disabled drivers is located.

Pathway information



Accessible routes

- Pathways which are *not advisable* as access routes are indicated on the map but not shown in full. The routes shown are those recommended.

Transport



Accessible parking for visitors

- Valley car park (x3 spaces), beyond Ivor Crewe Lecture Hall.
- North Towers car park (x2 spaces). Recommended for independent wheelchair access to central campus.
- For enquiries about under podia parking, contact Estates Helpdesk.
(*Note: parking for registered student/staff disabled drivers is available by arrangement*).



Buses

- Some low-floor buses run on routes to Colchester and Wivenhoe/beyond, but frequency/times cannot yet be guaranteed. There are bus shelters at all stops.
- For more information: First (01206 366911), www.firstgroup.com

Where can I find out more?

- **On campus** ask at Reception or the Information Centre (see map)
- **Online** for further access information, visit access@essex.ac.uk
For all campus maps, visit: www.essex.ac.uk/visiting/maps/colchester.aspx

Accessible routes to central locations from the main squares

Note:

- Use together with 'Location of Teaching Rooms': <http://www.essex.ac.uk/colchester/guide.aspx>
- Only the main locations for each department (and academic centres with a physical location) are listed. For others, ask in the relevant department office.
- Facilities and shops located directly on the squares are not listed.

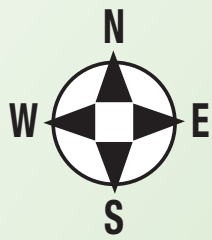
Contact information for key map locations (Tel. 01026...)

- Reception: SQ.5, Tel. 87-4321
- Information Centre: SQ.3, Tel. 87-2125
- Advice Centre (S.U.): SQ.3, Tel. 87-4031
- Constable building (iLab & Childrens' Legal Centre) Tel. 87-3838
- Lakeside Theatre: SQ.5, Tel. 87-3288
- Sports Centre: Tel. 87-3250


Departments	Level	Entrance		Lift	Main Office	
		Square	Corner		Room	Tel (01206...)
Art History and Theory	6	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 6.132	T 87-2200
		SQ.4	NW			
Biological Sciences	4	SQ.3	SW	L4	R 3SW.4.06	T 87-4074
School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering	1,2,3,4,5	SQ.1	NW	L77	R 4.514 (Computing Building)	T 87-2770
		SQ.2	NW (via footbridge)			
	3,3A,4B, 4,5B,5,5A	SQ.2	NW	L6		
Economics	5B	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 5B.212	T 87-2728
		SQ.4	NW			
	3	SQ.4	NW	H5		
Essex Business School	4,5, 6 & 7	SQ.4	N	L2	R 5N.5.6	T 87-3072
	4 & 5	SQ.4	SE	H6		
Government	5A & 5B	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 5B.318	T 87-2757
		SQ.4	NW			
	5	SQ.2	NE	L5		
		SQ.3	NE	H5		
		SQ.4	NW	Square-level		
School of Health and Human Sciences	4,5 & 6	SQ.3	SW	L82	R 2S2.4.02	T 87-2854
History	7 & 8	SQ.4	N	L2	R 5NW.7.18	T 87-2190
International Academy	4	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 4.117	T 87-2842
		SQ.4	NW			
Language and Linguistics	4	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 4.324A	T 87-2201
		SQ.4	NW			
School of Law	4,5,6 & 7	SQ.4	SE	H6	R 5S.5.5	T 87-2567
Literature, Film and Theatre Studies	5A	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 5A.201	T 87-2626
		SQ.4	NW			
Mathematical Sciences	6	SQ.2	NE	L5	R 6.311	T 87-3040
		SQ.3	NE	H5		
		SQ.4	NW			
Philosophy	5B	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)	R 5B.113	T 87-2703
		SQ.4	NW			
Psychology (& Centre for Brain Science)	1,2,3,4	SQ.1	W	L9	R 3.702	T 87-3802
Sociology	6	SQ.2	NE	L5	R 6.339	T 87-3055
	5A	SQ.3	NE	H5 + L3 (via level 3)		
		SQ.4	NW			

Centres and institutes	Level	Entrance		Lift	Main Office	
		Square	Corner		Room	Tel (01206...)
Centre for Psychoanalytic Studies	6	SQ.4	SW	H3	R 4SB.6.2	T 87-3640
			SE	H6		
Human Rights Centre	5 & 6	SQ.4	SE	H6	R 5S.6.2	T 87-2558
Social Sciences Research Centre (ISER and UK Data Archive)	4, 5B, 5A, 6	SQ.2	N	L79	ISER 2N2.5B.17	T 87-2957
		(via footbridge)				
		Via main buildings (level 5A)			UKDA 5B.25	T 87-2001

Advice, Support and Other	Level	Entrance		Lift	Main Office	
		Square	Corner		Room	Tel (01206...)
Student Support	6	SQ.3	NE	H5	R 4N.6.2	T 87-2365
		SQ.4	NW			
Equality and Diversity Unit	6	SQ.4	SE	H6	R 4SA.6.8	T 87-3507
Estates Management Help Desk	6	SQ.2	NE	L5	R 6.003	T 87-2959
		SQ.3	NE	H5		
		SQ.4	NW			
Human Resources	6	SQ.3	NE	H5	R 4SA.6.1	T 87-3433
		SQ.4	NW			
Occupational Health	3	SQ.3	NE	H5	R 3.109	T 87-2399
		SQ.4	NW			
Accessible toilet with adult changing bench facility	5A	Access via: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Social Sciences Research Building (SQ.2 and footbridge) ■ Sociology Department (see above) 				




University Quays (accommodation)





- Distance from SQ.3: 1650m
- Gradient: mostly slight (note: one steep section: average. 1:10, maximum 1:7 over approx. 40m)
- Surface: step-free; mixture of paved, light gravel and hoggin pathway (w/c accessible in dry conditions)
- Ramped bridge over railway: 5-6 flights each side, with rest points and handrails. Ramp gradient: medium (1:13)

North Towers and The Houses (accommodation)



Visitor car park and taxi rank

- Distance from SQ.4: 440m
- Gradient: level access (via lift)
- Surface: step-free; paved

Wivenhoe House Hotel (closed 2010-11)







- Distance from SQ.4: 550m
- Average gradient: medium (1:13) over 100m
- Maximum gradient: steep (1:8)
- Surface: paved; step-free

Colchester
Boundary Road
Wivenhoe

South Courts (accommodation)

Parking by arrangement

- Distance from SQ.1: 210m
- Average gradient: steep (1:10)
- Maximum gradient: steep (1:9)
- Surface: step-free; mostly paved (light gravel on some routes)

Sports Centre and South Courts (accommodation)





- Distance from SQ.3: 275m
- Average gradient: lower section steep (1:11), upper section medium (1:12)
- Maximum gradient: steep (1:7)
- Surface: step-free; paved
- Handrails
- Rest-points on lower section

Map Key

L3 L5 H5 Lifts
All lifts are indicated by L or H numbers
Rectangular icons indicate 'super lifts' (ie lifts linking square-levels)

Central lifts serving different floor levels
H5: 3, 4, 5, 6
L3: 3, 4, 5B, 5A, 6
L5: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

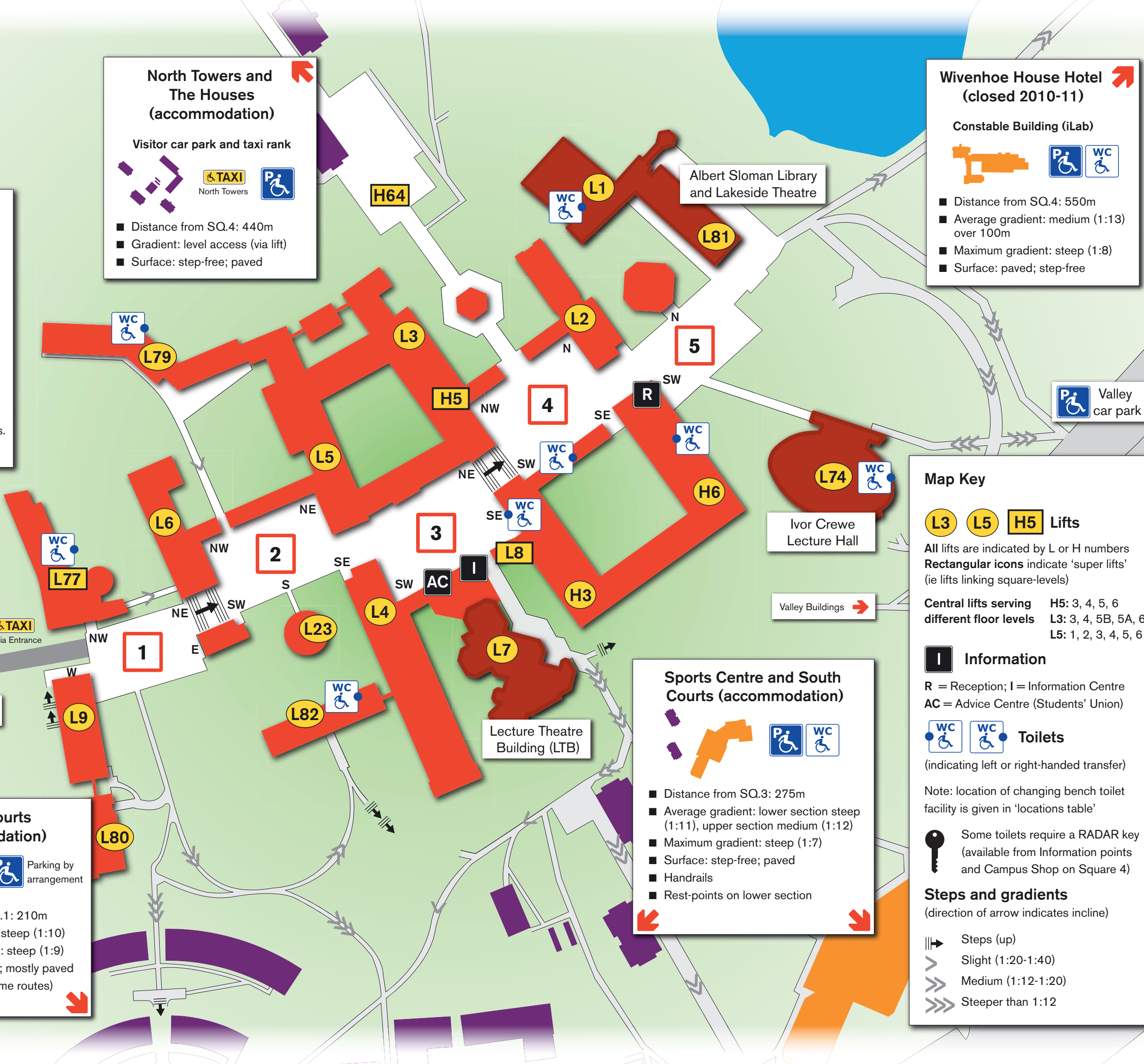
I Information
R = Reception; I = Information Centre
AC = Advice Centre (Students' Union)

WC Toilets
(indicating left or right-handed transfer)

Note: location of changing bench toilet facility is given in 'locations table'

Steps and gradients
(direction of arrow indicates incline)

- Steps (up)
- Slight (1:20-1:40)
- Medium (1:12-1:20)
- Steeper than 1:12



Valley car park

Valley Buildings

Ivor Crewe Lecture Hall

Lecture Theatre Building (LTB)

Albert Sloman Library and Lakeside Theatre

Podia Entrance

Parking under podia by arrangement