International Support Help Desk

At the International section in the Student Centre we get asked many questions and we offer many services, some of which you may not know about. That is the reason why we have compiled this information fact sheet which explains what we offer and also includes some helpful web addresses which you may use.

Doctors

The surgery we use is called Parklands Surgery. We can do you a letter which you then take, along with your passport, to them to register. After that you can ring to make an appointment and the number is 01243 786827.

Dentists

We have a list of dentists available and the basic cost to be seen is £65-£85. Treatment is assessed and the cost given in the exam.

Bank Letters

We can provide you with a letter which you then take to Lloyds bank or HSBC depending on how long you are enrolled to study for.

Taxis

Taxis are available to and from the airport and we use Helens Airport Cars and their number is 01243 868999.

If you need a local taxi then you can try Central Cars and their number is 01243 789432.

Trains

<u>www.nationalrail.co.uk</u> is the website to check train times and fares for trains anywhere in the UK.

Coaches/Buses

For coach travel anywhere in the UK you can check <u>www.nationalexpress.com</u> and you will be able to find times and prices.

For local bus times and prices you can check www.stagecoachbus.com/south

National Insurance Number

You need to ring 08456 000643 to make an appointment and this will be in either Brighton or Southampton. You will need to show proof that you have been applying for jobs and actively looking for employment.

Finding a Street or Place

Need to find a road or area then check <u>www.streetmap.co.uk</u> for a detailed map which can be zoomed in or out. Search by name or postcode.

UK Visas & Immigration

Everything you need to know about visas and immigration can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration

Foreign Embassies

If you need to find a foreign embassy here in the UK then you can find them at https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-office

IELTS

If you need to take an IELTS exam, need information about IELTS or find your nearest centre then you can find this at <u>www.ielts.org</u>

Further English Study

Looking to study further English in the UK? You can find information about British Council accredited schools and colleges at <u>www.englishuk.com</u>

Further Education

Looking to study at university? We have links with two universities which are close by and you can find further information about Chichester University at <u>www.chi.ac.uk</u> or Portsmouth at <u>www.port.ac.uk</u>