





WIG 2007 Travel Information

Conference Location - Caerleon Campus

Located on the Main University Campus in the village of <u>Caerleon</u>, we are a 10-minute bus ride from <u>Newport</u> City Centre. There is a brand new on-campus bar and sports centre, and the Student's Union organises many events throughout the year, the highlight of which is the May Ball. You also have access the restaurant and café on campus and the popular Students' Union shop. Nightlife in Caerleon buzzes, with its numerous pubs and restaurants.

Caerleon is a town steeped in history, which draws large numbers of tourists who wish to soak up its unique heritage and atmosphere. Caerleon stands in some of the most striking countryside in Wales. To the east lies the Wye Valley, home to beautiful Usk and Tintern. To the west are the dramatic ranges of the Welsh valleys that have inspired so many artists, poets and photographers. Caerleon also has a reputation for mysticism and magical occurrences. Not only are ghostly roman soldiers often seen, but many historians regard Caerleon as the mythical home of King Arthur's Camelot and the original location of the Round Table.

Take a <u>virtual tour</u> of the campus at Caerleon.

How To Find Us

Caerleon Map

The University of Wales, Newport is easily accessible whether you travel by car, bus or train: <u>Caerleon Location Map</u> (PDF)

By Road

NOTE: Use **NP18 3NT** as the destination postcode on the internet route finders.

London is only about two hours away via the M4, while other motorways and dual carriageways connect Newport with the North, Midlands, South East and South West England and West Wales. Both campuses are signposted from the M4. For those approaching Caerleon from Cardiff, there is no direct exit from the Junction 25. Either exit at Junction 26, and join the releif road, following signs for Caerleon, or travel to Junction 24 and use the roundabout there to make a U-turn, to approach Junction 25 from the East.

Two useful websites to help plan your route are the <u>AA route planner</u> and the <u>RAC route planner</u>.

Severn Bridge

Fares for crossing the Severn Bridge(s) into Wales (westbound) are currently set at £5.10 for cars. The tolls will only take cash or cheques. There is no toll fare eastbound, coming out of Wales.

By Rail

There are excellent Intercity services to Newport from all major cities. London is one hour and forty minutes away and Birmingham two hours by high speed trains which operate hourly. For more details of Railway services phone (08547) 484950 or try the <u>National Rail</u> website or the <u>Arriva Trains</u> <u>Wales</u> website.

By Coach

Newport is served by regular National Express coaches from London, West Wales, the North, Midlands and South West England. There is also a direct service from Heathrow and Gatwick Airports. Check out the <u>National Express Coaches</u> website or tel: 08705 808080.

By Bus

Both campuses are served by Newport Bus routes. For Caerleon, take the number 2 bus from stand 25 of the central bus station. For details of National Express Coach Services phone (08705) 808080. For details of local bus services phone (01633) 263600.

By Air

London's Heathrow airport is about two hours' drive away and there are also airports at Cardiff and Bristol, both less than one hour from Newport. For details of flights phone (0870) 000 0123 for Heathrow Airport, or (01446) 711111 for <u>Cardiff</u> <u>Wales Airport</u>.