TAUNTON
SCHOOL
SUMMER SCHOOL

TRAVEL GUIDE

Boarding Preparation Course 2027

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

International travel is often the biggest worry for parents and students. This guide is designed make the journey as safe and enjoyable as possible. It is important that you read the following information carefully and contact the Summer School Office if you have any unanswered questions.

Please note, we do not provide airport transfers for students on the Pre-Sessional course and students are required to make their own arrangements to travel to and from the school. However, to keep students safe it is important that we have the travel details for ALL students. Travel details must be provided, in full, using the form provided, at least **14 days before the start of the course**.

ARRIVALS BY AIR

Documents

Students must carry the following documents in their hand luggage:

- -Passport ❑
- -Visa (where required*) ❑
- -ETA (where required*) ❑
- -Signed Letter of Permission (under 18) ❑
- -Confirmation Letter provided by the School ❑
- -Emergency Contact Card ❑
- -Summer School Travel Guide ❑

Visa and Electronic Travel Authorisation

Please see the links below to check if you need a Visa or Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)

*UK Visa Check link: https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa *(ETA) Apply for an electronic travel authorisation (ETA) - GOV.UK

Luggage must meet the correct size and weight requirements for the chosen airline. Students must not carry any restricted items on their person or in their luggage. **Medicines and supplements must be in their original packaging and clearly labelled in English.**

Restricted Items: https://www.heathrow.com/at-the-airport/security-and-baggage/banned-items

Lost or delayed Baggage

If baggage is lost or delayed the school will assist in its recovery or help the student make a claim for compensation or its replacement. The School will provide students with clothing and essential items under these circumstances.

UK Customs and Border Control

If a student has any issues at UK Customs and Border Control they must contact the Summer School Director using one of the numbers shown on the Emergency Contact Card or provided in this booklet.

Delayed Flights

Do not worry. If your flight is delayed please contact the Summer School office to make us aware of your new arrival time at the school.

Students must not change or make their own travel arrangements without prior approval.

A Note to Parents

We understand that parents are anxious when their children are away from home and travelling to a different country. Students are encouraged to contact their parents once they have arrived in the UK. If your child does not have a mobile phone they can ask a member of staff to contact you on their behalf. Please do not contact the Summer School Emergency Contact number if you do not have a specific concern as this may delay our response to a genuine issue.

DEPARTURES BY AIR

On arrival all documents will be collected and stored by staff for the duration of their stay. On departure these documents will be checked and returned to the student.

Weighing scales are available for students to check that their baggage is under the airline allowance.

If a student has any issues at UK Customs and Border Control, ask them to contact the Summer School Director using one of the emergency contact numbers.

STUDENTS TRAVELLING INDEPENDENTLY

Some students may choose to travel independently to Taunton without a parent or guardian. If they encounter difficulties or their plans are disrupted, they should call one of the numbers on the Emergency Contact Card so that we can arrange for their safe arrival at school. Under no circumstances should a student change their itinerary without contacting or consulting with the school.

DIRECT ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Parents and agents dropping off students to the Pre-Sessional course should do this **after 14.00 and before 21:00 on arrivals day**. Arrivals day is Monday 23rd August 2027.

Parents and agents collecting students at the end of the Pre-Sessional course should do this after **12.00 midday and before 18.00** on Thursday 2nd September 2027. Parents and agents collecting students from the Pre-Sessional + course on Sunday 5th September should do so **after 09.00 and before 12.00 midday**. If you are going to Taunton School, you can move into your new boarding house on Sunday 5th September.

DROP-OFF AND COLLECTION ADDRESS

The arrival location for taxis and by car are shown below:

Taunton School International
Taunton School International
Greenway Road
Taunton
Somerset
TA2 6LJ

Note

Taxis and cars should access the rear car park via Stanway Close. Parking restrictions are in effect outside the main entrance. On arrival, please call **+44 (0)1823 703232** and someone will open the gate.

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Maps: https://www.google.co.uk/maps/@51.0289537,-3.1166149,176m/data=!3m1!1e3

On arrival, please call 01823 703232 or 01823 703220 and someone will come to open the gates.

CONTACT US

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