Visitor Information U of U & Salt Lake Valley

## **TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

**Ride Share/Taxi**

Uber and Lyft have pick up points just outside the airport terminal/baggage claim. Exit doors on the ground floor and take a crosswalk across the commercial bus/car pick up lanes to reach the Ride Share waiting area. Rideshares typically cost about $30-40 depending on demand.

**Airport Shuttle**

If you are coming via the airport, we recommend using the Xpress Shuttle. It is $35 one way per person for a shared ride when going to /from the University of Utah from the airport. For more information, visit their website at https://expressshuttleutah.com/or call at 801.596.1600.

**Public Transportation - Trax**

Alternatively, Trax is the SLC light rail system and you can arrive on campus with one transfer from the green line (originating at the Airport) to the red line (in the direction of University Medical Center).

**Parking Fees**

If you plan on driving to campus and need to park your car anywhere on campus, you will need to pay. Paid hourly visitor spots are active M-F 7am-8pm. Current prices are $3/hr or $30/day. Neighborhoods within 2 blocks in every direction around the campus have strict limitations on non-resident parking to protect the residents and their guests. There is free street parking available once you get beyond 2-3 blocks from campus on the west side and northwest corner. For more information, check out Commuter Services’ website at: commuterservices.utah.edu.

**Public Transportation (On and Off Campus)**

There are on-campus shuttles which are free and run often. If you wish to go downtown, there are public buses and Trax (Utah’s light rail transportation), which goes to Salt Lake City from the University of Utah campus. Click the links below for maps, schedules, and other information:

Campus Shuttles: <https://commuterservices.utah.edu/campus-shuttle/>

Trax/Public Buses info: <https://commuterservices.utah.edu/uta/> and download the “Transit” App

Current prices are $2.50 for one way on local bus, TRAX, or the S-Line, or $5,00/day (if you plan more than one round trip this is obviously the best fare.)

**University of Utah Interactive Campus Map**

<https://map.utah.edu/>

University of Utah School of Music (David Gardner Hall) is the home-base for the conference.

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There are no classes on the weekends. If you have free time, you are encouraged to explore around Salt Lake City. Listed here are a few of the most popular sites to see. Most are located downtown and are easy to get to by Trax, bus, and/or walking. Click on the name of the site to visit their website. We hope you enjoy exploring all that Salt Lake City has to offer!

**Free**

Memory Grove Park:

This park not only commemorates Utah’s veterans, but it extends into the northeast mountains along City Creek and is perfect for walking or jogging.

Liberty Park:

The park comprises of tennis courts, paddle boats, and walking/running paths. Concerts are also held here in the summer.

[Pioneer Memorial Museum](http://www.dupinternational.org/):

This Museum teaches about and pays tribute to those who founded Utah.

[The Gateway](http://www.shopthegateway.com/):

This is Salt Lake City’s premier shopping and dining center. It includes many shops, restaurants, a movie theatre, and the Discovery Gateway Children’s Museum.

[City Creek Center](http://www.shopcitycreekcenter.com/):

This is Salt Lake City’s newest premier shopping center, which opened in March of 2012.  Conveniently located in the heart of Salt Lake City, right off the City Center Trax Station it houses restaurants and high-end stores (such as Michael Kors, Pandora, Nordstrom, and Tiffany & Co.).  Features an indoor fishpond, creek and retractable roof.

[The Clark Planetarium](http://clarkplanetarium.org/):

Located in the Gateway, the Clark Planetarium includes free exhibits and shows.  The shows can be viewed in the 5-story high IMAX theatre or in the 360-degree Hansen Dome Theatre. Current movie, light show, and scientific show times can be found on their website (tickets for shows range from $6-$8).

[Temple Square](http://www.visittemplesquare.com/):

Owned by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, temple square offers many sights and sounds you don’t want to miss, including listening to the music of the world-famous Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square, touring the conference center, visiting the family history center, and enjoying the gardens surrounding the Salt Lake Temple.

For those who are musically inclined, you would enjoy Music and the Spoken Word. It is a free half hour concert put on by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Orchestra at Temple Square every Sunday morning at 9:30.

[Cathedral of the Madeleine](https://saltlakecathedral.org/art-and-humanities/madfest):

Built in 1901, this Rhenish Gothic-styled Cathedral.  Here they hold several concerts, all part of the Madeleine Festival of the Arts and Humanities. It is also close to many other historical sites.

[This is the Place](http://www.thisistheplace.org/index.shtml) [Heritage Park](http://www.thisistheplace.org/index.shtml):

History and heritage surround you at This Is the Place Heritage Park. The Heritage Village is open each day from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Saturday; enjoy all the Park has to offer: pony rides, the Native American Village, artisan trade demonstrations, and much more. Each Sunday you can enjoy a historic tour on one of our three replica trains and a self-guided tour through the park. All the natural beauty comes free of charge!

**$10-25**

[Red Butte Garden](http://www.redbuttegarden.org/):

Part of the University of Utah, this garden includes over 100 acres of gardens, walking paths, and is one of the largest botanical gardens in the Intermountain West ($16 for adults).

[Utah Museum of National History](http://nhmu.utah.edu/):

Located on the University of Utah campus, this museum displays Utah’s collection of archeological finds including dinosaur fossils and Utah’s first humans ($22.95 for adults).

[Utah Museum of Fine Arts](http://umfa.utah.edu/):

Also located on University of Utah Campus, this museum provides a gateway to world art and culture. You can walk through or take a tour of the collections highlights ($17.95 for adults).

[Utah’s Hogle Zoo](http://www.hoglezoo.org/)**:**

The Hogle Zoo is a Utah treasure. Located at the mouth of Emigration Canyon since 1931, the Zoo is one of the top visited attractions in the state of Utah and the number one paid tourist attraction in Salt Lake City. Spread out over 42 acres, its natural hillside terrain and meandering tree-covered pathways enhance the visitor experience as you discover the wonders of the natural world. Hours: 9:00 am – 6:30 pm

**Sites to see nearby Salt Lake City (half or full day trips)**

[Antelope Island State Park**:**](https://stateparks.utah.gov/parks/antelope-island/)

Bison, Antelope, and brine shrimp—oh my. The cost is $10 per car (up to 8 people inside) to drive across the causeway into the park. Many hiking trails (they are all exposed to the sun, so consider early morning or later afternoon/evening hikes in hotter months).

[Silver Lake at Brighton:](https://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/regions/intermountain/SilverLake/index.shtml)

Not a big hiker but still want to see nature. Silver Lake in the ski area of Brighton is at the top of Big Cottonwood Canyon. It’s a beautiful drive and at the Lake there is a small nature exhibit and a boardwalk and easy, relatively flat trail that goes around the lake. Moose can frequently be seen here in the mornings and evenings. Check inside the nature center where they track wildlife sightings and learn about the area.

[Park City**:**](https://www.visitparkcity.com/)

Park City lies about 30 minutes up into the mountains east of Salt Lake City. Framed by the craggy Wasatch Range, it’s bordered by the Deer Valley Resort and the huge Park City Mountain Resort, both known for their ski slopes. Utah Olympic Park, to the north, hosted the 2002 Winter Olympics and is now predominantly a training facility. In town, Main Street is lined with buildings built during a 19th-century silver mining boom.

Water lover? There is still something for you in the high desert:

* Float in the Homestead Crater in Midway
* Numerous hot springs around the region – Just google them.
* Float on the super-salty Great Salt Lake (check the bug report before you go)
* Paddleboard on East Canyon Reservoir or other watercraft-friendly bodies of water

[Bonneville Salt Flats and Raceway:](https://www.blm.gov/visit/bonneville-salt-flats)

The Bonneville Salt Flats are an other-worldly 30,000-acre expanse of hard, white salt crust on the western edge of the Great Salt Lake basin in Utah. The salt flats are about 12 miles long and 5 miles wide with total area coverage of just over 46 square miles. They are famous for the land-speed races that take place late in the summer and fall. Motor vehicle use is limited by seasonal closure during the spring when the salt is moist or has standing water on the surface. Closure dates may vary and will be posted by sign. Conditions are very harsh out on this landscape, so come prepared with lots of water, sunscreen, shady hats and sunglasses. It is about a 1 hr 45-minute drive west on I-80 to reach the flats from campus.

[Need gear for your adventure? Rent from the U!](https://campusrec.utah.edu/outdoor-adventures/rental/)

Outdoor Adventures, part of the University’ Campus Recreation Services, can help. There are many outfitters in town, but the U’s prices are very competitive. They have everything from camping gear, to paddle boards and boats, to bikes, to mountaineering gear.

**For more information on art shows, concerts, and other events taking place in Salt Lake City during the Summer Vocology Institute feel free to visit:**

<https://www.visitsaltlake.com/>

<https://www.visitparkcity.com/>

<https://www.visitutah.com/>

[**http://www.nowplayingutah.com/**](http://www.nowplayingutah.com/)