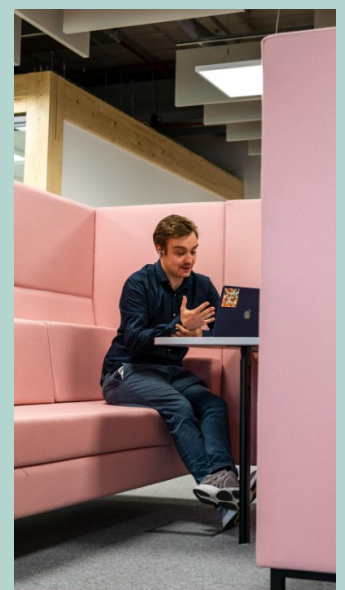


GETTING THE MOST OUT OF THE HOME OF ENGINEERING AND MATERIALS



GIANPAOLO VIGNALI: INTRODUCING YOUR NEW HOME

Welcome to the new home of Engineering and Materials here at the University of Manchester - a fantastic, thriving community where Engineers, Material Scientists and Fashion students collaborate, and innovate to make their mark on the world.



We're ripping up the rule book, offering you a truly innovative research environment combined with an industry-leading approach to teaching and learning. Get ready to unleash your potential in our new home where ideas come to life.

It is a place like no other, purpose-built and designed by students for students. But don't just take our word for it, listen to what PGR/PDRAs are saying about the new home below.

Finally, all that's left to say is, a very warm welcome to your new home, the home of Engineering and Materials.

Yours

Gianpaolo Vignali

**Academic Lead, Manchester Engineering Campus
Development**



Take a minute or two to **hear from fellow PGRs about their experience so far** - [click to view.](#)

OUR OPERATIONAL HOURS FROM 1 JULY- 31 AUGUST* ARE:

Monday	07:00 - 18:00
Tuesday	07:00 - 18:00
Wednesday	07:00 - 18:00
Thursday	07:00 - 18:00
Friday	07:00 - 18:00
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

*Opening hours from 1 September 2022 onwards TBC - please check your emails for updates

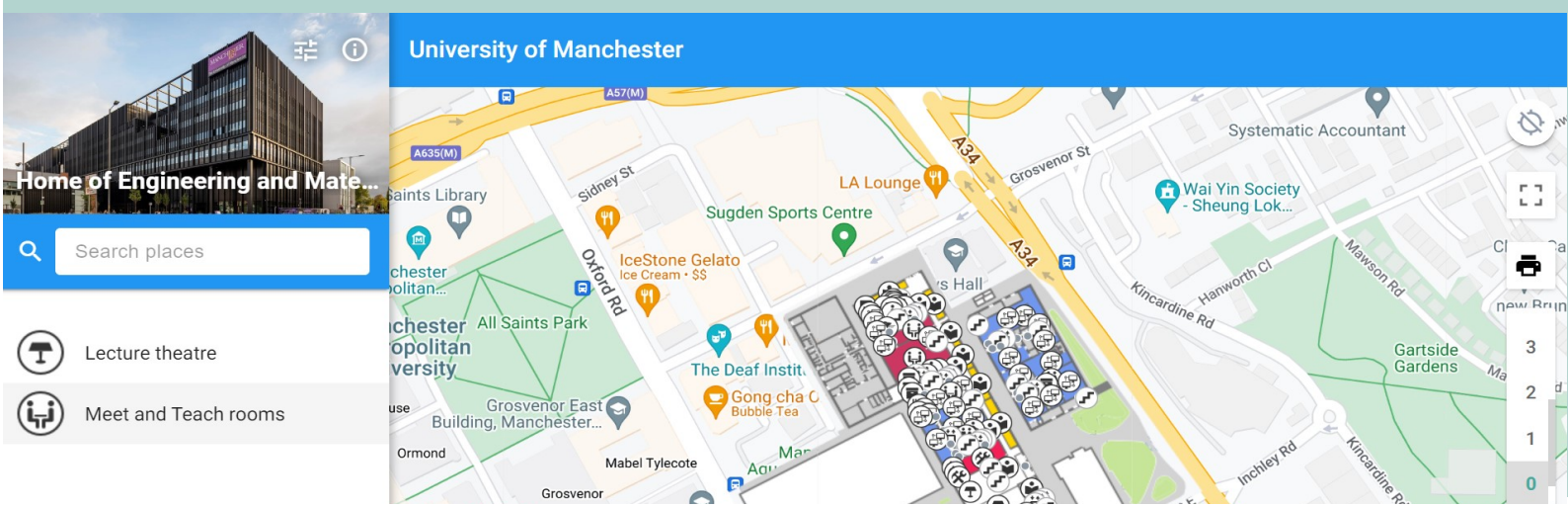
Out of hours access may be granted, depending on the requirement. For guidance around gaining out of hours access, please [read this document](#).

FIND YOUR WAY AROUND WITH GOOGLE MAPS

Our new, mobile-optimised map is to help you find your way around our new home. You can find study space, workspace, call pods plus much more including the nearest printer, water fountain and defibrillator.

To use the map:

- [Open the map here.](#)
- Search for the room or area where you need to get to using the search box on the left hand side of your screen.
- Click the room and then click 'directions'.
- If your device has GPS enabled, it will detect your location. Otherwise, add your nearest location into the 'from' section and your route will load.
- For accessibility, select 'avoid stairs' to find a step-free route to your destination.



WHAT IS IN THE BUILDING

Workspace

Between the Third and Sixth floors of Engineering Building A, you will find protected space for our research community. Working alongside other University colleagues, your workspace is comprised of a variety of spaces to suit a range of activities, including:

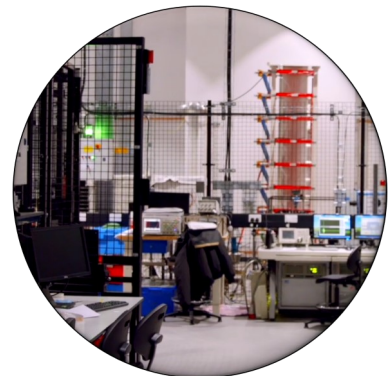


- bookable four-person meeting rooms for in-person and virtual meetings;
- informal meeting areas and social spaces to unwind and catch up with colleagues away from your desk;
- dedicated quiet space for focus work on the Fifth Floor (Core 4)
- fully equipped kitchenettes with fridges, hot and cold water points, microwaves and dishwashers;
- private call pods for confidential calls and meetings;
- desk space in the open plan area;
- Access to lockers to store your personal items.

You can also access over 1500 informal study spaces, as well as bookable Meet and Teach Rooms, available between the Ground, First and Second Floor.

Laboratories

We have over 19,000m² of research and teaching laboratories in the new home of Engineering and Materials. Designated research facilities can be found on the following floors:



- North Basement (accessed via Core 1, Core 2 and Core 3)
- South Basement (accessed via Core 4)
- Floor 3
- Floor 4
- Floor 5
- Floor 6 (accessed via Core 3 and Core 4)

Access to the laboratories depends on what you need. If you have any questions regarding your access, please speak with your Supervisor.

PGR and Technical Hubs

A dedicated PGR hub is available on the 4th Floor on Engineering Building A. It can be accessed via Core 4. To find the Hub, search 'PGR Hub' on the digital map [here](#).

Technical hubs are ad-hoc working areas for technicians to use. These desks can be found in the North Basement of Engineering Building A. In addition to this, there are nine Technical Hubs located across workspace comprising of between 4 to 16 desks which, where possible, have been located near your laboratories.

WHAT IS IN THE BUILDING

Active Travel Hub

Adjacent to the Manchester Aquatic Centre, the Active Travel Hub is a dedicated bicycle storage area. Situated outside the South entrance of Engineering Building A, the hub has over 100 secure bicycle racks, a bicycle repair stand and four cargo bike stands.

There are also six showers and changing facilities located in the hub, as well as lockers available for you to leave your belongings inside whilst you shower, though you will need to provide your own padlock.

To gain access to the Active Travel Hub, please contact accesscontrol@manchester.ac.uk



Catering

In Engineering Building A, our cafes serve hot and cold drinks plus they offer a range of quality food options. So whether you want a latte to start the day or to get lunch ahead of a busy afternoon, visit one of the cafes below:

- Café Collaborate – located on ground floor, next to main entrance
- Café Connect – located on second floor, where Engineering Building A meets Engineering Building B

- A third eatery opens from September 2022 on the ground floor close to the North entrance.

Showers and Drying Room

Showers and changing facilities will be open throughout Engineering Building A by September 2022:

- four showers, one accessible shower and a secure drying space for colleagues located in **Third Floor, Core One;**
- four showers, one accessible shower and a secure drying space for colleagues located in **Ground Floor, Core One;**
- one shower and changing room facility in **Fourth Floor, Core 4;**
- one shower and changing room facility in **Fifth Floor, Core 4.**

Water stations

To reduce our plastic use, you will find water fountains around the buildings too. Just one more step to a sustainable world. Search 'water fountain' on our digital map to find your nearest [fountain](#).

HOW TO BOOK A MEETING ROOM

For PGRs and PDRAs, there are a number of four-person meeting rooms available throughout the Third to Sixth Floors of Engineering Building which can be booked up any time up to 30 days ahead of your booking, if the room is free. These rooms will be visible to all colleagues via Resource Booker.

Third Floor	Meeting Room 19
	Meeting Room 18
	Meeting Room 17
Fourth Floor	Meeting Room 32
	Meeting Room 33
Fifth Floor	Meeting Room 48
	Meeting Room 49
Sixth Floor	Meeting Room 58
	Meeting Room 59
	Meeting Room 60
	Meeting Room 62
	Meeting Room 63
	Meeting Room 64
	Meeting Room 61

[Book your room here with Resource Booker.](#)

SIX THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT OUR NEW HOME

1

Be security conscious and look after your personal belongings.

2

Bicycles and scooters can be parked outside the building or in the Active Travel Hub. To take them through the building, please dismount and walk with them.

3

Take a break away from your desk and enjoy lunch in the social spaces available.

4

In line with the [University's no smoking policy](#), smoking is not permitted within five metres of any University building, including the Fifth and Sixth Floor balconies.

5

If you want to work in the building outside of our normal operating hours, you'll need to follow our [out of hours access arrangements](#).

6

Consider those around you. It's a great new space with a variety of people coming together so please be aware of those around you when working.

SUPPORT

Our Service Delivery Team are on hand to ensure that everybody who comes through our doors, whether staff, student or visitor, receives a memorable and positive experience.

The team's remit includes:

- responding to staff and student queries in a timely manner;**
- supporting the successful delivery of teaching and learning;**
- ensuring the building is tidy;**
- continuously improving based on feedback and evaluation.**

#TELLMECD

Got a great idea about how we can improve your experience?

Is something not right and needs sorting? Or simply need information about using the building?

You can always get in touch with our Service Delivery Team through tellMECD@manchester.ac.uk