

Subsidised Rail Travel Support Non Bursary Students 2025-26

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You do not need to print off the first four pages unless you want these for reference. We only require the application form to be returned.

This guide will explain the various travel support schemes and methods of payment that are available to full time learners for the academic year 2025-26 and includes the rail application form.

If you believe you are entitled to financial support please complete the on line application form

<https://www.bcot.ac.uk/information/fees-and-financial-support/>

RAIL PASS

BCoT offers a 40% subsidised South Western Railway rail pass for the approved stations listed above (excluding Bramley and Hook which is NOT subsidised). **This will allow learners to travel between their home station and Basingstoke, Monday to Friday in term-time only.** If your home station is not on this list then please select the closest station.

Approved Station Costs and ways to pay

Station	Autumn Term 8 th Sept – 19 th Dec	Spring Term 5 th Jan – 27 th March	Summer Term 13 th April– 3rd July
Andover	£326.88	£266.10	To be confirmed price not yet available
Bramley	£219.00	£178.30	To be confirmed price not yet available
Brookwood	£346.56	£282.09	To be confirmed price not yet available
Eastleigh	£437.04	£355.74	To be confirmed price not yet available
Farnborough Main	£258.60	£210.48	To be confirmed price not yet available
Fleet	£222.93	£181.47	To be confirmed price not yet available
Grateley	£326.88	£266.10	To be confirmed price not yet available
Hook	£231.10	£188.05	To be confirmed price not yet available
Micheldever	£201.75	£164.19	To be confirmed price not yet available
Mortimer	£181.59	£147.81	To be confirmed price not yet available
Reading stations	£267.96	£218.10	To be confirmed price not yet available
Shawford	£330.15	£266.10	To be confirmed price not yet available
Southampton Airport	£465.42	£375.12	To be confirmed price not yet available
Southampton Central	£530.19	£427.29	To be confirmed price not yet available
Winchester	£330.15	£266.10	To be confirmed price not yet available
Winchfield	£275.05	£223.85	To be confirmed price not yet available

How to apply

To order your required train ticket please download and complete the application form and return it with payment to BCoT's Student Services Team as soon as possible. Orders received after 3rd September 2025 will be processed, but not guaranteed to arrive before the start of term - **BCoT is unable to refund travel costs during this waiting period.**

All pre-ordered tickets must be collected from the college during or after enrolment, and **we will need a passport photograph of the student** to complete the application, which you will need to bring in to the Student Services office. Unfortunately, we cannot accept electronic copies of your photograph. **We are not able to post out any tickets to your home address.**

General Information

The rail pass remains the property of BCoT and passes must be returned to Student Services if the student is no longer eligible due to transferring to apprenticeship programmes or part time courses or if the student withdraws from the college.

Refunds are only available on returned rail passes on a pro-rata basis but not for costs incurred whilst waiting for your travel pass. **There is a £10 return fee.**

Please note: A lost pass/photocard will incur a £10 admin fee to replace, only one replacement per academic year is allowed.

Other Rail Offers available

National Rail Cards:

16-17 Saver Card – This offers 50% of train travel for Standard anytime, Standard Off Peak, Standard advance and Season Tickets for travel at any time of day. It can be used to buy Season tickets as it is designed to enable 16-17-year old students to access the same half price child fares that they could access until they were 16. NOTE: you cannot use this card to make a further saving from the BCoT subsidised travel offer.

16-25 railcard is aimed at leisure travel and gives 1/3 off standard and first Class Advance Tickets. Conditions do apply see website for details.

The Saver Cards are available to purchase directly from the train companies and will cost £35 per annum.

NOTE: The BCoT Rail pass is a scholar pass valid from Monday to Friday school term time only and may appear cheaper than the Saver Card options, which are priced differently and may have 7 day week validity. It may be worth checking your travel requirements and costs before deciding on purchasing.

What to do next?

For Rail pass

If you require a train pass please complete the rail application form (attached) and send with the first instalment/termly figure/yearly amount to:

Student Services Team North Site
Basingstoke College of Technology
Worting Road, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 8TN

Financial Assistance:

BCoT may be able to help with your annual travel (bus or rail) pass if your household income is £27,000 or below.

To apply please go to the BCoT website
Click on 'Information'
then 'Fees and Funding'
then 'Financial Support –Bursaries'

There is a link to the on line application process
<http://bcot.paymystudent.com>

As well as information about the various Financial Support available. You will be required to submit evidence of household income to qualify and it would be useful to download the Essential Evidence Leaflet before you start the application process.

Rail Application Form 2025-26

Student Details

Surname		First Name	
Home Address			
		Postcode	
DoB		Age as of 31 August 2023	
Home Phone number		Mobile Phone Number	
Email Address			
Name of course			
Starting Station e.g. Hook		Photo attached Yes/No	

Payment

Please indicate your choice of payment plan selection below:

Station:

Note: We are unable to set up Direct Debit payments at the moment, so if you opt for monthly or termly payments you will be contacted by a member of the Student Services team to provide Credit/Debit/Switch card details, termly as we do not keep you Credit/Debit/Switch card details on file.

We will also accept Cash payments

We will require payment before we order the rail pass

Please provide us with a printed passport-sized photograph. We cannot accept Digital photos emailed to us.

Signature of Learner: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Credit/Debit/Switch Card Payment Consent form

I consent for my Debit/Credit/Switch Card to be debited for £ for the purchase of a rail pass.

Cardholder's name			
Home Address			
		Postcode	

Card Type Please tick	Master Card		Visa		Electron		Other	
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Card Number (16 digits)			
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Issue Number (if applicable)		Expiry Date		Security Code (3 digit CVC No)	
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Signature of cardholder		Date	
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These details will be shredded after use.

Please note that we do not accept cheques.