Light Rail Directions – General Information

Ride light rail to UNC Charlotte

The CATS LYNX Blue Line extension provides light rail service to the University’s main and center city campuses at three convenient locations: the J.W. Clay/UNC Charlotte Station, the UNC Charlotte Main Station and the 9th Street Station, which serves UNC Charlotte Center City.

We encourage you to consider this option when planning your trip to the University. You may purchase tickets at any light rail station along the Blue Line or by downloading the CATS Pass Mobile App. More information on train schedules and fares is available on the CATS website.

When you arrive:

- **J.W. Clay/UNC Charlotte Station:** A Niner Transit bus (Silver Line) is available at the bus stop at the CRI parking deck and the PORTAL Building.
- **UNC Charlotte Main Station:** A Niner Transit bus (Green and Gold Lines) will pick you up at the light rail station. Please note: The Green Line picks up at the station platform, and the Gold Line picks up across the street.
- **9th Street Station:** UNC Charlotte Center City is adjacent to the 9th Street Station at the intersection of Brevard and 9th Streets. Please exit the station heading toward 9th Street. Please note: You’ll be heading toward Uptown. Turn left onto 9th Street and UNC Charlotte Center City is located on your right at 320 E. 9th Street.

You should expect Niner Transit buses to arrive at stops on main campus approximately every eight minutes, depending on campus traffic. You can track bus arrival in real time on the University’s Parking and Transportation Services website or by downloading the UNCCNextRide app (Apple) or (Android). Please pull the yellow “Stop Request” cord inside the bus as you approach your stop to indicate to the driver you need to exit.

Please note: UNC Charlotte’s main campus is the final stop on the northern end of the Blue Line. Uptown Charlotte and UNC Charlotte Center City are accessible via the INBOUND train from main campus.

More information on the light rail is available at lightrail.uncc.edu.