

POMONA COLLEGE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GUIDE

Pomona Students are surrounded by beaches, mountains, museums, restaurants, concert venues, famous neighborhoods, and airports in almost every direction. And while Los Angeles is often considered a car-bound city, there are many cheaper and more environmentally friendly ways to travel. Use this guide to learn about how to get around the Los Angeles area and to find out new places to explore.

Please remember to check the public transportation provider's website while planning a trip to make sure that its schedule lines up with your own.

RAIL:

Metrolink

Website (includes maps, schedules, and ticket prices):

<http://www.metrolinktrains.com/>

Metrolink consists of seven rail lines converging at Union Station in Los Angeles, the central hub for bus, Amtrak, and subway lines. The Claremont Metrolink station is part of the San Bernardino Line, which stops in many of the surrounding cities between San Bernardino and LA Union Station. Once at Union Station, it is possible to switch to any of the other lines Metrolink has to offer in order to reach your intended destination.

Nearest Station: 200 W. 1st St., Claremont, CA, 91711

From Pomona College: travel south on College Ave. and make a right on 1st St.

Fare: Round-Trip from Claremont to LA Union Station = \$14.25 Weekday, \$10.75 Weekend*

At the ASPC office, you can buy a 10-trip pass for a discount at \$48.75

*Also Available: One-Way tickets and Monthly passes

General Area of Operation: Metrolink has lines reaching from San Luis Obispo in the north to San Diego in the south, as well as from San Bernardino in the east and parts of the Orange County coast in the West. It partners with Amtrak for some of its coastal lines that extend outside of Los Angeles.

General Hours of Operation:

Claremont to Union Station

Weekdays- Approx. every 20 min. from 6:08am -- 7:48am; Approx. every hour from 7:48am - 7:51pm

Saturday- From 7:44am – 9:54pm, intervals range anywhere from 60 – 180 min.

Sunday- Approx. 2 hour intervals from 7:44am – 11:39am, and from 12:44pm – 6:09pm

Union Station to Claremont

Weekdays- Approx. every hour from 6:00am – 3:20pm; Approx. every 20 min. from 3:20pm – 6:00pm; Approx. every hour from 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Saturday- From 7:00am – 11:30pm, intervals range anywhere from 80 – 180 min.
Sunday- Approx. every hour 9:00am – 11:25am; every 2 hours 11:25am – 7:45pm

Amtrak

Website (includes maps, schedules, and ticket prices):

<http://www.amtrak.com/>

Amtrak is a traveling service via rail or bus that offers online reservations, schedules, and a trip planner. It is a good option for traveling to destinations outside of the LA area.

Nearest Station: The nearest train station is in Pomona, CA at 100 West Commercial Street Pomona, CA 91768, but the Claremont Metrolink can take passengers to LA Union Station, which is an Amtrak station as well.

General Area of Operation: Amtrak has over 200 stations in California with routes and stations cross-country. It has partnered with Metrolink for some of its lines along the California coast.

Price: Varies with destination and class of ticket (coach or business).

Hours: Schedule varies depending on date and route.

Los Angeles County Metro Rail Lines

Website (includes maps, schedules, and ticket prices):

<http://www.metro.net/index.asp/>

The Metro Rail Lines compose the subway system for the Los Angeles area, stretching from Pasadena to Long Beach.

Metro Red Line: Travels from LA Union Station west through North Hollywood.

Metro Gold Line: Travels from LA Union Station east into Pasadena.

Metro Purple Line: Travels from LA Union Station through downtown LA to the Wilshire/Western intersection.

Metro Blue Line: Travels from the 7th St./Metro Center of the Red or Purple Lines in Downtown LA to Long Beach.

Metro Green Line: Travels from Norwalk to Redondo Beach, reachable from the Blue Line. A free shuttle also takes passengers from the LAX stop on the Green Line to LAX.

Fare: Tickets are \$1.25 one-way or \$5.00 for a Metro Day Pass (the pass covers LA Metro bus and rail line costs for one day)

General Area of Operation: Union Station to North Hollywood, Pasadena, Long Beach, and Santa Monica.

General Hours of Operation: Although each train line varies in its hours and schedule, the trains typically begin running between 4am and 4:30am weekdays and weekends, and stop running between 12:30am and 1:30am.

BUS:

Two public transit organizations provide bus services that are most usable for service to Pomona College students. Foothill transit connects the San Gabriel Valley and Inland Valley areas while LA County Metro has lines closer to the city of Los Angeles. However these lines connect to each other and to other means of public transportation including subway and train lines. Greyhound also has a location in Claremont and travels cross-country.

Foothill Transit

Website (includes maps, schedules, and ticket prices):

<http://www.foothilltransit.org/>

Nearest Station(s): Claremont Transit Station (by Metrolink) and Montclair Transcenter (1.4 miles from campus, west on Arrow Route, right at Monte Vista Ave., left at Richton).

Prices: \$1.00 per local ride, \$2.50 to LA using the Silver Streak line. Month-long passes at discounted rates are available for students- \$30 for local rides only.

Areas of Operation: El Monte to Montclair, with limited lines and service stretching into San Bernardino county and LA. There are also large stations in Pasadena, West Covina, Pomona, El Monte, and others.

Hours: Limited service 24 hours a day.

Sliver Streak Line: Leaves Montclair Transit station for LA every 10-30 minutes from 4:30am to 9:30pm. Leaves every hour from 9:35pm to 3:59am.

Local lines: All local lines vary in frequency and time of stops based on time of day and whether it is a weekday or a weekend day.

Trip Planner: http://www.foothilltransit.org/Schedules_Routes/trip_planner.htm

Los Angeles County Metro Bus

Website (includes maps, schedules, and ticket prices):

http://www.metro.net/riding_metro/riders_guide/planning_trip.htm

Nearest Station(s): LA Union Station is the hub. No lines extend all the way to the Claremont area.

Prices: \$1.25 base fare, but a Metro Day Pass is available for \$5.00. The passes are also good for the Metro Rail system.

Areas of Operation: Buses run across the LA region from Santa Monica to Hollywood to Long Beach. Freeway express bus lines are available as well as local street lines.

Hours: All day. Night owl service starting in the late evening.

Trip Planner: <http://www.metro.net/default.asp>

Greyhound Bus

Website (includes maps, schedules, trip planner, and ticket prices):

<http://www.greyhound.com/>

Nearest Station(s): 888 S. Indian Hill Blvd. Claremont, CA 91711

(Walk west on Bonita Ave., turn left at Indian Hill, continue past Arrow Hwy one block)

Prices: Prices vary with time of week and destination. *Example:* a non-refundable roundtrip ticket from Claremont to SF can be \$47. A non-refundable ticket from Claremont to Los Vegas can be \$25.

Areas of Operation: Greyhound has over 2,400 stations nationwide, and 102 stations in California.

Hours: Station and ticketing open Mon-Sun 6:45am-8:00pm at the Claremont station.

DIAL-A-RIDE:

Dial-a-ride offers reliable taxi services at a reasonable price within the Claremont area. Whether you are commuting, shopping, going to medical appointments, or to and from school, Claremont Dial-a-Ride is available to you. Just call the same day and pickups will typically be made within 45 minutes (or less) of your request. **Call (909) 623-0183.**

Area of Operation: Claremont Dial-a-Ride operates within the boundaries of Claremont. Service is also provided to the medical facilities in the Pomona Valley Medical Center, Montclair Plaza, and Montclair Trans Center.

Price: General Public -- \$1.25, \$2.00 to Montclair Plaza
Book of 10 Tickets (general public) -- \$12.50
Pre-scheduled Group (6+ Service), cost per rider -- \$0.75

Hours: Monday – Friday 6 am to 7 pm, Saturday 7 am to 6 pm
