



## **INFORMATION FOR AHUA 2018 DELEGATES – a brief overview**

Here's a quick summary of key information about AHUA Spring Conference 2018. More information can be found on the AHUA [website](#).

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### **Venue**

The Conference will take place in the Martin Harris Centre, on the University of Manchester campus. [Address: Martin Harris Centre, The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL] Information on travel to the Martin Harris Centre appears on the [website](#). Pedestrian access to the venue is off Oxford Road, down Coupland Street where the green Museum entrance sign is. Past the Museum, you will find the Martin Harris Centre on your right hand side.

Coat rail and luggage room are available if required.

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation has been booked for all delegates in the Holiday Inn Manchester – City Centre, 25 Aytoun St, Manchester M1 3AE. Check in is at 2pm – luggage can be stored at the hotel for those arriving on Monday morning prior to being able to access the room, and check out is at 11am. More information can be found on the hotel [website](#).

Coach transport between the hotel and conference venue has been arranged as follows:

<b>Day</b>	<b>Depart Hotel</b>	<b>Depart Conference Venue</b>
Monday	11.30am	5.15pm
	6.45pm	10.15pm
Tuesday	8.30am	5.15pm
	6.45pm	11pm

### **Conference Registration**

The registration desk will be open in the Martin Harris Centre at the following times:

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	11:30 – 14:00
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	08:30 – 11:00

The registration desk will remain open until 5pm in case of any queries.

Your registration package includes the two evening dinners, so if you don't plan to attend, please let us know.

For those arriving on Sunday, you are invited to attend an informal dinner at 7.30pm. If you would like to join colleagues, please contact Catherine Webb on [c.f.webb@ahua.ac.uk](mailto:c.f.webb@ahua.ac.uk).

On arrival, you will receive a name badge and a delegate pack containing event materials.

For security reasons, you should wear your delegate badge at all times within the conference venue.

## **Conference App and Programme**

The programme, delegate list, your workshop sessions, speaker profiles and maps are available in the AHUA conference app. This can be downloaded from the App or Play Stores at any stage before the conference. Please search for **AHUA Events 2018**. Please use your email address to sign in where your customised Agenda, which includes your workshop choices, will be available.

Full details of the programme are also available online [here](#). On arrival, you will receive a printed version of the programme.

## **Sponsor and Workshop Sessions**

You have been assigned to sessions as per your selections made during the registration process. Details on timetabling will be included in the conference brochure.

## **Internet Access**

There is free Wi-Fi for delegates in the main venue. Password information will be supplied at registration.

## **Mobile Phones and Cameras**

Mobile phones **MUST** be switched off or in silent mode in the conference rooms at all times.

Please do not use flash photography during presentations, as this can be distracting to speakers and fellow audience members.

## **Catering**

If you have not already done so, please notify us of any special dietary requirements.

## **Refreshments and Lunch**

Coffee, tea and lunch will be provided in the morning and afternoon breaks in the Martin Harris marquee.

## **Conference Dinner**

There will be a conference dinner taking place on each night of the conference in:

The [Manchester Museum](#) on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April (drinks reception at 7:15pm followed by dinner at 7:45pm, dress code: smart casual)

The [Whitworth Hall](#) on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April (drinks reception at 7:15pm followed by dinner at 8:15pm, dress code: business)

## Travel

Manchester is served by an international airport, two mainline rail stations and a network of motorways.

If arriving at **Manchester Piccadilly rail station** and going **straight to the hotel**, please follow the instructions [here](#). The hotel is a 3 minute walk from the station

If you are arriving at **Manchester Piccadilly** and going **directly to the conference venue**, the 147 bus is convenient and direct and runs Monday to Friday daytime (last bus 18:15). The alternatives are a taxi (around £5-£7), a 20-minute walk, or a shorter walk to the frequent bus route which serves Oxford Road.

If you arrive at **Oxford Road station**, there are numerous buses which travel up and down this road, stopping very close to the Martin Harris Centre.

If you travel by air, **Manchester International Airport** is approximately 10 miles from the Campus. A taxi from the airport will cost around £25. Alternatively, make use of the rail link between the Airport and Piccadilly railway station, which runs every 15 minutes and a single ticket costs around £4. The station is adjacent to terminal two and is clearly signposted within all terminals. The number 43 bus also runs from the Airport every 10 minutes during the day and every 30 minutes after 7.30pm and throughout the night. A single journey costs around £3.

A coach has been arranged to take you from the hotel to the conference venue each morning and evening. The coach schedule can be found in the accommodation section.

If you need to use a taxi, the number for [Mantax](#) is 0161 230 3333 or [Streetcars](#) can be reached on 0161 228 7878.

An interactive campus map, together with city centre map can be found [here](#).

## Car Parking

The closest car park to the hotel is [NCP Chatham Street](#) (M1 3AY). Your ticket can be validated by the hotel for a cheaper rate.

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