

KECK GRADUATE INSTITUTE

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KGI is surrounded by restaurants, museums, concert venues, famous neighborhoods, and airports in all directions. Additionally, KGI is only a one-to-two hour drive from beaches, mountains, and deserts for a quick getaway. While Los Angeles is often considered an automobile dense city, there are cheaper and more environmentally friendly ways to travel. Use this guide to learn about how to get around the greater LA 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 yours.

## Rail

### **Metrolink** [metrolinktrains.com](http://metrolinktrains.com)

#### **Nearest Station:**

200 W. 1st St., Claremont, CA, 91711

Exit KGI to Indian Hill Blvd. Make a right on 1st St.

#### **Fare:**

Round-trip from Claremont to LA Union Station:  
\$10.50 Round Trip Weekday and \$10.00  
Weekend Day Pass with student ID.

Monthly pass: \$147.00

#### **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 LA.

#### **General Hours of Operation:**

Check [schedule](#) for more information.



### **Amtrak** [amtrak.com](http://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 (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 70 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.

**LA County Metro Rail Lines** [metro.net](http://metro.net)

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

- **Red Line:** Travels from LA Union Station west through N. Hollywood.
- **Gold Line:** Travels from LA Union Station east, through Pasadena, and into Azusa.
- **Purple Line:** Travels from LA Union Station through downtown LA to the Wilshire/Western intersection.
- **Blue Line:** Travels from the 7th St./Metro Center of the Red or Purple Lines in Downtown LA to Long Beach.
- **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.
- **Expo Line:** Travels from LA Union Station through Culver City to Santa Monica.

**Fare:**

Tickets are \$1.75 one-way or \$7.00 for a Metro Day Pass (the pass covers LA Metro bus and rail line costs for one day).

30-day pass: \$43 student, \$30 low-income.

**General Area and Hours of Operation:**

LA Union Station to North Hollywood, Pasadena, Long Beach, and Santa Monica. Although each train line varies in its hours and schedule, the trains typically begin running between 4:00–4:30 a.m. on weekdays and weekends, and stop running between 12:30 - 1:30 a.m.



 **Bus**

**Foothill Transit** [foothilltransit.org](http://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:**

\$1.50 per local ride with a TAP card, \$2.75 to LA using the Silver Streak line with a TAP card. Month-long passes at discounted rates are available for students; \$40 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 15–30 minutes from 4:00 a.m.–9:30 p.m. and every hour from 10 p.m.–4 a.m.

**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:**

[foothilltransit.org/Schedules\\_Routes/trip\\_planner.htm](http://foothilltransit.org/Schedules_Routes/trip_planner.htm)

### **Foothill Transit Class Pass**

The Claremont Colleges and Foothill Transit have teamed up to bring you a better way to get around town. The Foothill Transit Class Pass gives students, faculty, and staff FREE rides on Foothill Transit local and Silver Streak buses.

Students, faculty, and staff who pick up a Class Pass during the spring semester can use the Class Pass during the summer intersession. Students who pick up a Class Pass in the fall can use their Class Pass during the winter intersession.

The Class Pass also covers students, faculty, and staff at any of the other schools at The Claremont Colleges and The Claremont Colleges Services (TCCS). Get your Foothill Transit Class Pass today—just bring your current faculty, staff, or student ID to TCCS Connection (Honnold/Mudd Library).

Visit [foothilltransit.org/theclaremontcolleges](http://foothilltransit.org/theclaremontcolleges) to learn more about the Class Pass. Note: some things have changed to help keep you safe. Visit [foothilltransit.org/covid](http://foothilltransit.org/covid) for up-to-date information.

### **LA County Metro Bus** [metro.net](http://metro.net)

#### **Nearest Station(s):**

LA Union Station is the hub. No lines extend all the way to the Claremont area.

#### **Prices:**

\$1.75 base fare, but a 1-Day Pass is available for \$7.00. The passes are also good for the Metro Rail system with a TAP card.

#### **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:**

[metro.net/riding/trip-planner](http://metro.net/riding/trip-planner)

### **Greyhound Bus** [greyhound.com](http://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 from Claremont to San Francisco can be \$47.

A non-refundable ticket from Claremont to Las Vegas can be \$35.

#### **Areas of Operation and Hours:**

Greyhound has over 2,400 stations nationwide, and 102 stations in California. Station and ticketing open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.–3 p.m., 6 p.m.–8 p.m. at the Claremont station.





## Taxi

### **Dial-A-Ride** [pvtrans.org](http://pvtrans.org)

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 Place, and Montclair Trans Center.

#### **Price:**

- General Public: \$2.50, \$4.00 to Montclair Place
- Book of 10 Tickets (general public): \$25.00
- Pre-scheduled Group (6+ Service), cost per rider: \$1.00

#### **Hours:**

- Monday–Friday: 6 a.m.–7 p.m.
- Saturday: 7a.m.–6 p.m.

### **Uber** [uber.com](http://uber.com) | **Lyft** [lyft.com](http://lyft.com)

Use the Uber or Lyft mobile applications to request a ride anywhere at a reasonable price. Within minutes, you will get picked up by a local driver and taken to your destination. All ride requests and payments are made through the mobile application for ease of use.

#### **Area of Operation:**

Any drivable distance.

#### **Price:**

Prices vary with destination, size of vehicle, and time of day.

#### **Hours:**

- Monday–Friday: 6 a.m.–10 p.m.
- Saturday: 6 a.m.–6 p.m.



#### **Recommended App to navigate Los Angeles County**



[transitapp.com](http://transitapp.com)

- Find nearby real-time ETAs with all the options to get around
- Plan your trip and find the fastest way with Transit's multimodal trip planner
- Tap GO for step-by-step directions
- Subscribe to service alerts on your favorite lines to receive notifications about service disruptions.