On and Around Campus: Neighbors To Explore

Case Western Reserve University stands as a centerpiece among some of the most exciting and stimulating communities in Cleveland, from University Circle and Uptown—which intertwine with the campus and boast some of the city’s most energetic and culturally robust areas—to bustling neighborhoods like Little Italy, Coventry Village and the Cedar–Fairmount district. Whether you are staying at Case Western Reserve or just visiting, the campus and surrounding neighborhoods offer several cultural, social, retail and dining options. Find out more at case.edu/visit.

UNIVERSITY CIRCLE: THE CULTURAL HUB OF CLEVELAND

Case Western Reserve’s campus is in the heart of University Circle, home to more than 50 of the world’s finest cultural, medical, educational and social-service institutions—all within 1 square mile. The Cleveland Museum of Art, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, the Western Reserve Historical Society and the Cleveland Botanical Garden provide not only entertainment, but also academic collaborations that give Case Western Reserve students ample opportunities for hands-on training. Cleveland’s health corridor is also a mainstay of the area, with Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals Case Medical Center and the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center as important partners with the university’s health sciences departments.

But University Circle’s offerings don’t end with museums and hospitals. You’ll find dining options from falafel and hummus at Falafel Cafe to the chic French bistro L’Albatros. We also have hangouts like the Barking Spider Tavern and The Coffee House at University Circle. The circle’s park-like setting also gives visitors a chance to enjoy green spaces at Wade Oval or the art museum’s lagoon. universitycircle.org

Transportation

Around Campus

The Circle Link, the campus circulator and other shuttle routes make all of campus, University Circle and Little Italy accessible to students and visitors. Signs are posted at each stop, or check out case.edu/visit for route maps and travel information.

Area Neighborhoods

The Greater Cleveland RTA offers more than 10 bus routes and the red line rapid to service University Circle. Use Google Transit to plan your trip on public transportation at maps.google.com or on your mobile device at google.com/mobile/maps.

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CWRU and University Circle

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DOWNTOWN

The Case Western Reserve campus is just 5 miles east of downtown Cleveland, where more entertainment awaits. Home to professional sports teams the Browns, Cavaliers, Indians and Monsters, downtown also maintains the legacy of Cleveland’s musical roots with The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum and popular concert venues that host international and local acts. The Theater District brings more performances to life, while favorites East Fourth Street and the Warehouse District offer trendy dining options, bars and a thriving nightlife. downtownclevelandalliance.com

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<td>Home to the university’s Barnes &amp; Noble campus bookstore, the vibrant outdoor gathering space at Toby’s Plaza, the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA) and a variety of retail shops and restaurants, Uptown is poised to become the city’s most vibrant urban residential and commercial district.</td>
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<td><strong>2. LITTLE ITALY</strong></td>
<td>You don’t have to have Italian heritage to enjoy the treasures of Little Italy. Pick your pizza or pasta pleasure at local favorite Frattoni. Indulge in some retail therapy in Little Italy’s art galleries and boutiques. Back in the neighborhood’s unique heritage, which thrives with family-owned businesses and retains the flavor of its original residents—skilled stone cutters and craftsmen from Italy. Just don’t forget to top off your visit with a decadent dessert from Carbo’s Bakeery or Presti’s.</td>
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<td><strong>3. COVENTRY VILLAGE</strong></td>
<td>Just up the hill from campus, Coventry Village is an eclectic block that offers visitors everything from Thai food and milkshakes to vinyl records and book readings. Coventry has a unique 1960s vibe that makes visitors fall in love with its quirkiness—and keeps them coming back for more. Hunt for nostalgic toys at Big Fun. Browse CDs and classic vinyl at Record Revolution. Enjoy book clubs and author readings at Mac’s Backs. Dine on vegetarian delights at Tommy’s. Or catch a rock show almost any night of the week at the Gray Shop.</td>
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