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Getting to and around the Bay Area

Getting to JST

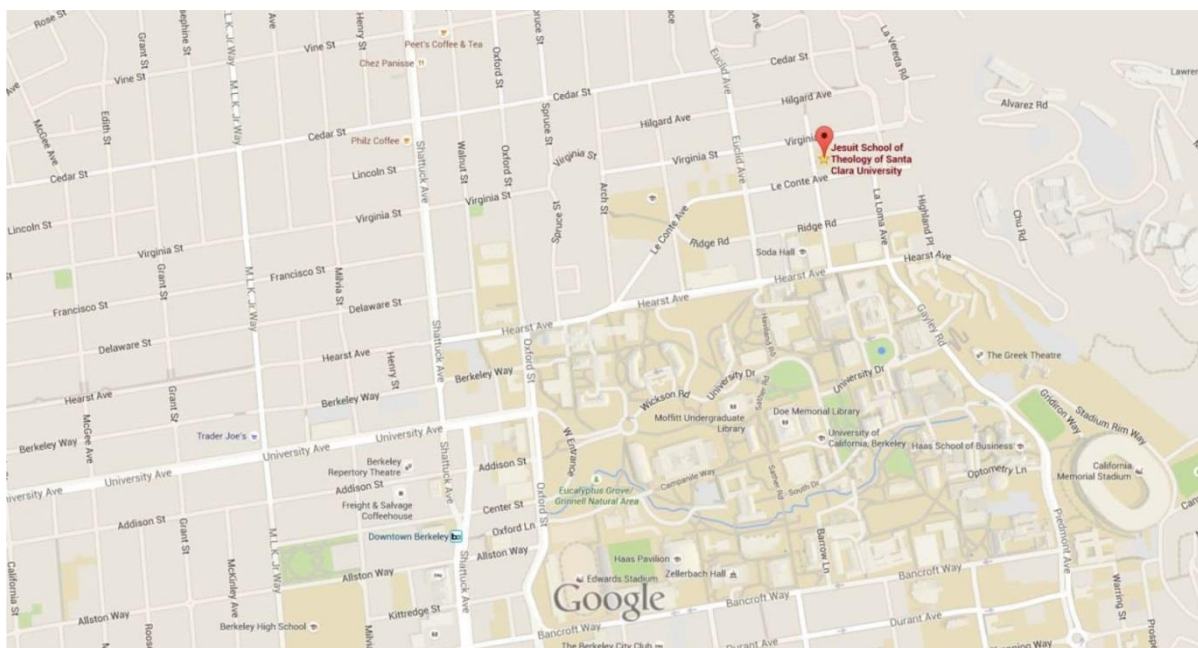
JST is located in Berkeley, California and is accessible by car, the [Bay Area Rapid Transit \(BART\)](#) subway system, and several [AC Transit bus lines](#). Visitors arriving at San Francisco International Airport (SFO) or Oakland International Airport (OAK) may find Lyft or Uber their most convenient option (see page 4 for more details). BART is another good option that is also economical. From SFO, take BART directly from the airport's SFO station. From the Oakland Airport, take the automated people-mover across from the arrivals gate to the BART Coliseum station. To reach your final destination, you may need to take an AC Transit bus from a BART stop. See page 3 for more details on BART and AC Transit.

[Directions to the Jesuit School of Theology](#)

1735 Le Roy Avenue | Berkeley, CA 94709

Building Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm

If you need assistance with directions, please call the receptionist at the Jesuit School of Theology at (510) 549-5000.



Parking near JST & in Berkeley

Parking is at a premium in Berkeley. All parking near JST is either metered (you must pay to park at metered parking) or requires a residential preferential parking (RPP) permit in order to park for more than two hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00am-7:00pm. If you register your car to your Berkeley address, you can purchase an RPP permit from the city. Check out the [RPP website](#) for more information. For more information about registering your car, see [p. 5](#).

It is also possible to park at a UC-Berkeley Garage. The closest one is the Lower Hearst Garage, Level 2, in the Gold Zone. For more information, check out [Visitor Parking at UCB](#).

For parking info, see the [Berkeley parking guide](#), the [Oakland parking guide](#) and the [San Francisco parking guide](#). Remember to curb your wheels and not to leave valuables in your car.

Local Transportation

Planning your route:

[511.org](#) offers tools for planning your trip on public transit, bike, or vehicle and indicates the road conditions. If you call 511 and ask for Freeway Assist, you can give the name of the freeway you are on and the direction you are headed, and you will learn about any accidents or road conditions.

[Google Maps](#) is a great resource to help plan a public transit trip.

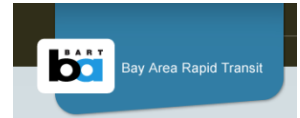


[Routesy](#) is another useful app to plan your commute on public transportation. Here you can get accurate arrival and departure times for buses and trains in the Bay Area, including Muni, BART, AC Transit, and CalTrain.

Public Transportation:

[Bay Area Rapid Transit \(BART\)](#) provides maps, schedules and information about communities serviced by BART. BART is a large subway/train serving much of the Bay Area. JST is about one mile from the Downtown Berkeley BART Station.

Operating hours are 5:00am-midnight on weekdays, 6:00am-midnight on Saturdays, and 8:00am-midnight on Sundays. Find webpages for [cost](#), [line information](#), and [train schedules](#) at the [BART website](#). Starting in September, 2019, the Downtown Berkeley Station will only issue and accept Clipper Cards for tickets (no paper tickets).



[AC Transit](#) provides maps, schedules, and other route information for the local bus service in the East Bay. Bus line information as well as cost information and [schedules](#) are available on the [AC Transit website](#).

[Amtrak](#) is a train that services the Bay Area, California, and the USA. The closest Amtrak stations are in Berkeley, San Francisco, and Oakland.

[Muni](#) provides maps, schedules, and other route information for public transit in San Francisco.



[Clipper Card](#) is an all-in-one transit card that can be used for payment on Muni, BART, AC Transit, VTA, SamTrans, Caltrain, and the Golden Gate Transit and Ferry. It keeps track of any passes, discount tickets, ride books, and cash value that are loaded onto it. Just tap it on the Clipper logo as you enter the public transit vehicle or station, and it applies all applicable fares, discounts, and transfer rules. It is the easiest and cheapest way to pay public transit fares. You can buy Clipper Cards and refill them with fare at any transit agency ticket office or participating Walgreens, Whole Foods, and other retailers. See a full list of [retail locations and ticket machines](#) that offer Clipper Card purchases. You can also buy and refill your card at the [Clipper Card website](#).

Bicycling:

Berkeley has a network of bicycle boulevards, which are streets specially designated for bikers to share the road. Check out their [transportation website](#) for a map of the routes and destinations that are located on the route. You can park your bike in several places at JST: in the Garage

beneath the academic building at JST, accessible via the ramp between the academic building and 2600 Virginia, or in the rear of the building near the parking area behind 2600 Virginia, accessible off Virginia Street. Be sure to use a Kryptonite Lock!

On the UCB campus, between Etcheverry Hall and Jacobs Hall, located just off of Ridge Road, a block up from Euclid, you can find a public air pump and wrenches available for bike adjustment or repair.

Bay Wheels is a bike rental service operated by Lyft. You can pick up a bike or e-bike at one of several stations located in Berkeley, Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose, or Emeryville and return it at any other station for \$2.00 a ride (under 30 minutes + \$3 for every 15 minutes over), \$15 a month, or \$149 for an annual membership. Don't forget to wear a helmet!

Car Services:

ZipCar is a convenient car rental service. Click [here](#) to learn about how, as an SCU student, you can register for ZipCar for a reduced rate.

Lyft and **Uber** are handy apps to request rides from your smartphone. This can be especially useful for late-night commutes and travel to/from the airport. If you select the rideshare options, you will receive a cheaper rate, and the driver will pick up and drop off others along your route.

GIG Car Share: Gig is a one-way car-sharing business that functions out of the East Bay. Once you download the app, you can find cars located on a street near you (where past drivers' final destinations were), go to the vehicle, and unlock it with your smartphone. You can drive the car anywhere in the US but must park it within the boundaries of the "Homezone." You will be charged automatically through your phone, by mile, hour, or day, depending on which rate is cheapest. Gas, insurance, and parking in the Homezone are all included. Rates are \$2.50/mile, \$15/hour, or \$69 Monday - Friday/day, \$85 Saturday - Sunday/day.



Bay Area & Berkeley Overview

The San Francisco/ Bay Area is an incredibly vibrant, culturally diverse, and exciting place to live. From the arts to the outdoors, museums to all types of dining experiences, there are events and activities appeal across a broad spectrum of interests in the arts, outdoor recreation, fine cuisine, and social justice activism. Though impossible to offer a comprehensive list of things to do, explore the links below for a window into Bay Area arts and entertainment.

Bay Area

<http://www.sfgate.com/neighborhoods/eb/>

<http://www.visitsfbayarea.com>

<http://sf.funchearp.com/>

Berkeley

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

<http://www.visitberkeley.com>

Oakland

<http://visitoakland.org/>

San Francisco

<http://www.sanfrancisco.travel/explore>

California Resident Information

Register your Vehicle

A vehicle must be registered in California if it is based in California or is primarily used on California highways (located or operated in this state for a greater amount of time than any other individual state during the registration period), even if registered to a nonresident owner. For information on how to register your car, go to the State of California Department of Motor Vehicles [website](#). The closest DMV offices are in Oakland, 5300 Claremont Avenue (about 3 miles south), (510) 450-3670 and El Cerrito, 6400 Manila Avenue (about 5.5 miles north), (510) 235-9171. Please note that the El Cerrito location is best suited to meet the needs of international students.

Get a California Driver's License or Identification Card

If you are a visitor in California over the age of 18 and have a valid driver's license from your home state in the U.S., you may drive in this state without getting a California driver's license—as long as your home state license remains valid.

If you become a California resident, you must get a California driver's license within 10 days. Residency is established by voting in a California election, paying resident tuition, filing for a homeowner's property tax exemption, receiving MediCal benefits or any other privilege or benefit not ordinarily extended to nonresidents. To learn how to apply for a license, check out the State of California Department of Motor Vehicles [webpage](#) for information on the Driver's License and Identification Card.

Special information for international students about driving in California can be found on the [UC Berkeley International Office](#) webpage.

Register to Vote

If you are a resident of California, you must register to vote at least 15 days before an election. You will need a CA driver's license and an Identification Card or a social security number for identification purposes. You can [register online](#) or pick up a paper form at a Department of Motor Vehicles office, a post office, or public library.

Exploring Berkeley

WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE GTU

Berkeley Rose Garden

1200 Euclid Avenue, Berkeley

The rose garden is a beautiful place to picnic, study, or enjoy a relaxing sunset. From JST, walk up the hill towards Virginia. Turn left on Virginia. Turn right on Euclid. Walk up Euclid for about 10-15 minutes. A large sign points to the rose garden on your left. A playground for children is across the street.

University of California, Berkeley

The University of California, Berkeley is one of the world's leading intellectual centers. It is renowned for the quality of its academic programs and libraries, the scope of its research, and the distinction of its faculty and students. Walk over and explore the campus. The libraries are a great place to study. As a GTU student, you can get a Cal library card. From JST, walk down the hill and turn right on Le Conte, turn left on Euclid. Cal is at the bottom of Euclid.

Telegraph Avenue

There are many places to explore on Telegraph. From JST, walk across the UCB campus. At Bancroft, head west towards the Bay, then left at Telegraph.

- **Buy a tie-dye T-shirt!** Street vendors offer hand-crafted tie-dye clothing, jewelry, and hats.
- **Browse for books at Moe's.** Offering both new and used books, Moe's has been a world famous destination for book lovers since 1959, managing to mirror just what makes Berkeley exciting and unique.
- **Check out the murals.** At the corner of Haste and Telegraph, view the history of 1960s Berkeley and People's Park.
- **Shop for music at Rasputin or Amoeba.** Find new, used, and rare collectible records and CDs.

Berkeley Art Museum & Pacific Film Archive

*2155 Center Street, Berkeley
(510) 642-0808*

With more than fifteen exhibitions and 400 film screenings each year, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive is one of the Bay Area's most dynamic centers for the visual arts. Gallery & Museum Store Hours: Wed-Thurs- Sun 11am-7pm; Fri-Sat 11am-9pm; closed Mon. & Tues. General admission is \$11 for non-UCB students. *Admission is free the first Thursday of each month.*

CLOSE DRIVING DISTANCE OR BIKE RIDE FROM THE GTU

Berkeley Bowl

Berkeley's favorite grocery store, with a huge array of diverse produce, local foods, and products that meet various dietary needs. Enjoy their bulk foods, dollar bags of "imperfect" produce, or a prepared meal in the café/cafeteria.

Location and Hours

2020 Oregon Street, Berkeley
Mon. - Sat. - 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
Sunday - 10:00 am to 7:00 pm

UC Botanical Garden

With over 10,000 types of plants, including many rare and endangered, this garden is one of the most diverse landscapes in the world. It features 9 regions of naturalistic plantings from Italy to South Africa along with a major collection of California native plants. It features periodic [events](#) such as twilight hours, bird & butterfly walks.

Location, Hours, Admission

200 Centennial Drive, Berkeley
Daily 9am-5pm (no entry after 4:30pm)
Student Rate: \$10
First Wednesday of Each Month is Free

Berkeley Marina

A great place to walk or run, watch or participate in watersports, or eat at Skates on the Bay!

Location

201 University Avenue, Berkeley

Bay Area Opportunities for Recreation



TILDEN REGIONAL PARK AND NATURE AREA

This wonderful park is located just a hop, skip and a jump away from the Graduate Theological Union. There are plenty of quiet places in Tilden's 2,077 acres that shelter the wildlife and preserve natural beauty. You can also spend time swimming or relaxing at Lake Anza. Tilden was named for Charles Lee Tilden, the first president of the Park District Board of Directors. The park is reached via Canon Drive, Shasta Road, or South Park Drive. All entrances are off Grizzly Peak Boulevard in Berkeley, under 2 miles from JST.

ROBERT W. CROWN MEMORIAL STATE BEACH

This park in Alameda features 2.5 miles of beach, bordered by lawns and picnic grounds. Located just over 9 miles from the JST, this is a favorite local bay area beach get-away where you can find families and friends enjoying barbecues baseball games, windsurfing, or building sand castles! It is an excellent spot to watch the sun set and the lights of the city start to sparkle across the bay.



MUIR WOODS

The Muir Woods National Monument preserves the last old growth coastal redwood forest in the San Francisco Bay Area. The cool moist forest supports a surprising abundance of plant and animal life, from the coast redwood (the tallest type of tree on Earth), to the slimy banana slug, from the amazing Coho salmon to delicate trilliums. There are 1.5 miles of flat paved trails in the park, appropriate for those in wheelchairs, with strollers, or with other mobility limitations. There are also dozens of miles of nearby trails and fire roads, through forests and meadows, along creeks and ridge lines. It is located 10 miles north of the Golden Gate Bridge.

POINT REYES NATIONAL SEASHORE

Located just an hour's drive from the San Francisco Bay Area, the Seashore is a great escape from a busy city life. Point Reyes National Seashore comprises over 100 square miles, including 32,000 acres of coastal wilderness area. Estuaries, windswept beaches, coastal scrub grasslands, salt and freshwater marshes, as well as coniferous forests, create a haven of 80 miles of unspoiled and undeveloped coastline. Abundant recreational opportunities include 147 miles of hiking trails, backcountry campgrounds, and numerous beaches. Kayaking, biking, hiking, beachcombing, and wildlife viewing are just a few of the self-guided activities awaiting your visit.





REDWOOD REGIONAL PARK

On Redwood Road, just a few miles over the ridge from downtown Oakland, is a hidden redwood forest whose peaceful groves give little evidence of its bustling past. In the mid-1800s, what is now Redwood Regional Park was the scene of extensive logging to supply building materials for San Francisco. The logging era has long since passed, and a stately forest of 150-foot coast redwoods (*Sequoia sempervirens*) has replaced those cut down. Hiking, jogging, and horseback riding are popular on the park's many trails. The East Bay Skyline National Trail traverses Redwood for part of its 31-mile course.

SIBLEY VOLCANIC REGIONAL PRESERVE

East Bay residents have several volcanoes in their backyard at Sibley Volcanic Regional Preserve. Volcanic dikes, mudflows, lava flows, and other evidence of the extinct volcanoes are visible throughout the park's 660 acres. View Mt. Diablo and the hills of Las Trampas, and beautiful displays of wildflowers in season. An unstaffed visitor center next to the staging area at the park entrance displays illustrations of the park's geology and carries a supply of park brochures with a self-guided volcanic tour map. Sibley Volcanic Preserve's main entrance is on Skyline Boulevard just east of the intersection with Grizzly Peak Boulevard in the Oakland hills.



POINT PINOLE REGIONAL SHORELINE

The journey is as scenic as the destination at Point Pinole Regional Shoreline, a 2,315-acre parkland right next to densely populated Pinole, Richmond, and San Pablo. Trails lead through breezy meadows with wildflowers in season, through aromatic eucalyptus woods, or along bluffs and beaches on San Pablo Bay. Visitors can hike, ride their bicycles or horses, or take the park's shuttle bus (fee) for a mile and a half to reach Point Pinole's 1,250-foot fishing pier. There are beautiful views of Mt. Tamalpais, the Marin shoreline, and San Pablo Bay with its sailboat and shipping traffic.



STINSON BEACH

Stinson Beach is a treasure tucked between the coastal bluffs north of San Francisco. Close to the city, it seems like hundreds of miles away. The town itself stretches along a sandy spit and up into the hills to the south of Bolinas Lagoon. The beach, administered by the National Park Service, is on the south end of town, providing white sandy beaches, crashing waves, and picnicking sites for visitors year-round. Lifeguards are on duty May through October. Three and a half miles of sand give plenty of access to swimmers, surfers, and sunbathers. The 51-acre park adjacent to the beach offers more than 100 picnic tables (some with grills—all available on a first-come basis). A snack bar is open April through September. The park is open until sunset.



FOR MORE GENERAL INFORMATION

[Bay Area Hiker](#)

[East Bay Regional Park District](#)

Local Entertainment

Cal Performances

- See music, dance, and theater performances at UC Berkeley's Cal Performances, Northern California's largest presenter of performing arts (<http://calperformances.org/>).

The Flight Deck in Oakland (theatrical performances, gallery showings, events)

- The Flight Deck is a collaborative arts space and performance venue that opened on June 6, 2014 in Downtown Oakland, where artists of all kinds and ages can work, play, collaborate, learn and thrive. A project of Ragged Wing Ensemble, it is home to multiple artists and organizations and contributes to making Oakland a cultural destination (<http://www.theflightdeck.org/>).

Freight & Salvage Coffeehouse

- The Freight & Salvage Coffeehouse is a nonprofit community arts organization dedicated to promoting public awareness and understanding of traditional music – music that is rooted in and expressive of the great variety of regional, ethnic, and social cultures of peoples throughout the world (<http://www.thefreight.org/>).

Oakland First Fridays Festival

- Oakland First Fridays is an immersive art and community experience on the first Friday of each month on Telegraph Avenue from West Grand to 27th Street. Every First Friday from 5–9:30 pm, Oakland's KONO district springs to life, with galleries, artist collectives, street artists, local culinary artisans, performers, musicians, dancers, DJs, and poets gathering for Oakland First Friday events (<http://www.oaklandfirstfridays.org/>).

Shattuck Cinemas

- Shattuck Cinemas is a movie theater in downtown Berkeley located at 2330 Shattuck Avenue (<http://www.landmarktheatres.com/san-francisco-east-bay/shattuck-cinemas>).

UC Berkeley Department of Music Noon Concert Series

- Free 12:15pm-1:00pm afternoon concerts, typically on Wednesdays in Hertz Concert Hall – check full calendar schedule below to find noon concert showings. Calendar for all music performances: <http://events.berkeley.edu/index.php/calendar/sn/music.html>.

The Cheeseboard Collective

- The Cheeseboard Collective is a 100% worker-owned cheese shop that serves a fresh “pizza of the day” M-F and offers live music during the lunch and dinner hours (11:45am-2:45pm, 4:45pm-7:45pm).
- Calendar for music performances: <http://cheeseboardcollective.coop/calendar/>

Local Farmers' Markets

Bay Area Farmers' Markets are festive, family-friendly, open-air marketplaces where California farmers bring fresh, locally-grown produce and hand-crafted foods to sell directly to consumers. The markets feature fruits, vegetables, nuts, baked goods, jams and preserves, juices, olive oils, tofu, meat, cheese, prepared foods, nursery plants, and flowers. Often, musicians entertain the shoppers, and special events are scheduled throughout the year. They are committed to supporting small-scale farmers who practice sustainable agriculture.

Berkeley Farmers' Market - THURSDAYS

NEIGHBORHOOD North Berkeley

Shattuck Avenue at Rose Street

Berkeley, CA 94707

(510) 548-3333

Thursday Market Hours: 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Berkeley Farmers' Market - SATURDAYS

NEIGHBORHOOD Downtown Berkeley

Center Street at MLK Jr. Way

Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 548-3333

Saturday Market Hours: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Berkeley Farmers' Market - TUESDAYS

NEIGHBORHOOD South Berkeley

63rd and Adeline Streets

Berkeley, CA 94704

(510) 548-3333

Tuesday Market hours: 2:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Grand Lake Farmers Market - SATURDAYS

NEIGHBORHOOD Oakland, off of Lake Merritt, in the Grand Avenue District.

Grand Avenue and Lake Park Avenue

Oakland, CA 94610

(415) 472-6100

Saturday market hours: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm