You can begin your tour at the Students’ Union

1. From the Students’ Union, follow the concourse around the Hicks Building down to Hounsfield Road. Walk past the Information Commons on your left towards the University tram stop.

2. The University tram stop connects the University to the city centre, train station, local park and ride facilities, and Meadowhall Shopping Centre. Discounted tickets for students are available. Cross Upper Hanover Street, turn right and continue left onto Glossop Road.

3. Walk down Glossop Road past the University Health Centre on your left, and then turn right onto Fitzwilliam Street. On your right is West One Plaza – a development of bars, restaurants and accommodation, and a great place for a night out.

4. Turn left onto Devonshire Street and walk past a host of independent stores on your left and Devonshire Green on your right. This outdoor space is used all year round and every summer hosts a stage at Tramlines, a citywide music festival.

5. Continuing onto Division Street, you’ll pass more independent bars, restaurants and shops. This characterful area was recently named a finalist in the great neighbourhood category of the National Urbanism Awards. A short way along the road on your left you’ll find the old fire station, a beautiful building which is now home to one of Sheffield’s most popular late bars – Bungalows and Bears.

6. Pass Carver Street on the left – a popular destination for student nights out – and go straight ahead onto Barker’s Pool, with its fountains, war memorial and the magnificent City Hall. As well as being an iconic building, the City Hall is also a great place to go for music and comedy gigs. On your way you’ll pass a golden post box, painted in honour of Olympic gold medal winner and University of Sheffield alumna, Jessica Ennis-Hill.

7. Carry on through Barker’s Pool and bear right at the end of the road towards the Town Hall. Cross the road towards the Town Hall and enter the Peace Gardens to the right of the building. Surrounded by bars and restaurants, this is a great place to relax.

Tour continues overleaf
Welcome to the City of Sheffield

1. Sheffield is impossible to beat. There is nowhere like Sheffield is impossible to beat. There is nowhere like Sheffield.

2. The central campus is a place to live and study. This walking tour will take you through the heart of the city centre and home to 2,500 plants.

3. The Student's Union where you began and continue up Hounsfield Road to the University. At night, West Street becomes one of the busiest streets in the city, with thousands of people enjoying the atmosphere in the many bars and clubs which can be found along the way. There is also a range of cafes that do great lunchtime deals.

4. The Moor is home to Sheffield's new, multi-million pound market development and a new cinema and range of shops will be completed in late 2016. Alternatively you can continue on the tour turning right towards Leopold Square and the Cathedral.

5. This secluded retreat contains a collection of top quality bars and restaurants offering food and drinks from around the world together with the beautiful Leopold Hotel. Walk through the square and take the steps up into Hallam Gardens. The terraced amphitheatre you will enter off Howard Street is now a focal point of Sheffield Hallam University's City Campus. Follow the gardens down Howard Street and onto Sheaf Street where you will see the train station ahead.

6. If you would like to get to the train station ahead, follow Norfolk Street to the right, past the library entrance, towards Arundel Gate. At the end of the road, cross Arundel Gate. Continuing and take the first left onto Norfolk Row – a quaint side street with a row of cafes and the best local restaurants. If you have time, have a look at the exhibitions on display there.

7. To explore more of Sheffield's shopping options, you can turn right towards Leopold Square. This is the Winter Gardens – the largest glasshouse in any European city centre and home to 2,500 plants. Walk through the gardens and you'll see the entrance to the Millenium Gallery. If you have time, have a look at the exhibitions on display there.

8. From the Peace Gardens, follow the gardens and you'll see the entrance to the Millenium Gallery. If you have time, have a look at the exhibitions on display there.

9. From Tudor Square keep left on Fargate passing the Winter Gardens on your left taking the first right onto Norfolk Street. On the right you'll pass Wicker Herbal Stores and the Brown Bear pub, supposedly two of the most haunted locations in Sheffield. On the left is the Upper Chapel built in the 1700s.

10. Turn left (as you face the cathedral) along Church Street, then turn left onto Leopold Street and enter Leopold Square on your right. This secluded retreat contains a collection of top quality bars and restaurants offering food and drinks from around the world together with the beautiful Leopold Hotel. Walk through the square and take the steps onto West Street.

11. From Tudor Square follow Surrey Street to the right, past the library entrance, towards Arundel Gate. At the end of the road, cross Arundel Gate. Continuing and take the first left onto Norfolk Row – a quaint side street with a row of cafes and the best local restaurants. If you have time, have a look at the exhibitions on display there.

12. Continue and take the first left onto Norfolk Row – a quaint side street with a row of cafes and the Cathedral Church of St Marie. At the end of Norfolk Row you'll emerge onto Fargate, one of the city centre's main shopping streets, with many high street stores, banks and cafes.

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14. Sheffield Cathedral is at the end of Fargate. It is the city's oldest building and there has been a church on this site for over 1,000 years. Guided tours of the cathedral are often available, these last approximately 45 minutes.

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Thank you. We hope you've enjoyed your self-guided tour of Sheffield city centre. Don't forget you can also do our self-guided tour of the University campus.