

TCA Southwest STUDENT DEALS 2025-26

Become part of something bigger – our student climbing community spans three centres and hundreds of friendships. Fitness and stress relief included!

Cheaper Passes

Students and under 25s

Students and under-25s now get unlimited climbing across all TCA centres for just £39 a month! In the Southwest that includes <u>The Mothership</u> and <u>The Church</u> in Bristol, plus <u>The Arc</u> in Chippenham.

A TCA pass gets you access to extensive bouldering, roped climbing, auto belays and gyms – all for one simple pass price.

TCA pass-holders also get 10% off climbing shoes in the TCA shop, where you can get a free shoe fitting from our knowledgeable staff.

Friday night is student night

Discounted climbing for students every Friday with our new student night. Save on entry, meet other students and decompress post-lecture. £10* entry, 3-10pm every Friday, for students.**

^{*}Excl. rental equipment and shoes.

^{**}Students must hold a valid UNiDAYS or Student Beans.



Your University

Club climbing @ TCA

We want to give your group the best climbing experience. Weeknight evenings can be very busy and student clubs can be quite sizable, so TCA works with each university to agree a suitable time for your club or society meet-ups. This will maximise space for your group and create more fun sessions for everyone.

Find your people

For more info, email cdbristol@theclimbingacademy.com (Bristol) paul.a@theclimbingacademy.com (Chippenham)

UWE Students

Friday afternoons at Mothership (bouldering) Wednesday afternoons at The Church (roped climbing)

Bath, UoB and other student groups

Contact us to discuss your specific needs and schedule.





One great pass

3 TCA Southwest Centres

Here's a quick rundown of what your TCA pass will give you access to in the Southwest. Your pass is also valid at our 2 centres in Glasgow.



2 floors of excellent bouldering from beginners problems to elite, inc. a MoonBoard, Tension Board (opening soon), Digital Training Board, fingerboards and circuits, plus a gym, stretching area, cafe, showers and a shop with a large range of shoes.



Roped climbing and auto belays plus a great local training room with a 2024 MoonBoard, Digital Training Board, fingerboards, a small circuits room, a stretching area, plus a cafe and a small shop.



Loads of roped climbing (indoor and out) including auto belays, 2 compact bouldering rooms, a stretching area, plus a cafe, showers, a free skatepark, a kids play park and outside decking.





Meet other students

Freshers' Week Tasters

At the start of term, to kickstart your year, we offer Freshers' Week Tasters – designed to welcome new student climbers. These sessions are a great way to let students from your university or college try TCA at a super discounted rate whilst forming bonds with others who may also be new. These tasters are great fun for experienced climbers or total newbies who just want to give climbing a go! Please note, prices below are for 2025/26 and may change for incoming students in 2026/27.

Without Instructor (Arc/Mothership)

Bouldering

Only £7pp

inc. shoe hire - limited availability of shoes.

Climb for as long as you want.

Sessions are available in 15 min slots for up to 10 people to enable faster registration.

With Instructor (Arc/Church)

Roped climbing

Only £9 pp

inc. shoe hire and equipment

1 hour sessions (If booking more than one session, please note that we require 15 min break between sessions for the instructor)

Maximum 9 people per instructor.

Your 2nd visit is free

Your free return session is waiting! New customers at TCA get their 2nd visit free – perfect to have another go at that climb you didn't get on your first visit. Grab a friend, don't let it go to waste.

Book a Freshers' Week Taster

To arrange a Freshers' Week Taster session or sessions for your group, email christoph@theclimbingacademy.com with your preferred centre, type of climbing (roped or bouldering) and your preferred dates/times. Christoph will send you the booking link and forms in advance. Attenders will be asked to show a student ID at the course.

Availability is higher during off-peak hours (e.g. weekday morning and afternoons)



Learn new skills

30% off Climbing Courses

Book your place now. Attend and unlock even more discounts.

Course, centre, booking link	Price	Length	Number required
Roped Beginners Course The Church (Bristol) The Arc (Chippenham)	30% off full price	4 hours of tuition split across 2 x 2 hour sessions	4-6 from the same university or college
Learn to Lead Climbing Course* The Church (Bristol) The Arc (Chippenham)	30% off full price	4 hours of tuition split across 2 x 2 hour sessions	4-6 from the same university or college
Movement and Technique** The Mothership, Bristol	30% off full price	3 hours of tuition split across 2 x 1.5 hour sessions	4-6 from the same university or college

Join a student association in your TCA account – online or at the front desk – and student discounts will be applied automatically to all your bookings.

Book scheduled courses

Use links for each centre (above) to book. Attenders will be asked to show student ID at the course.

UNLOCK A SPECIAL PASS OFFER

After completing a scheduled TCA course you'll have one month to claim a special climbing offer: get a month of climbing for just £30 with a prepaid pass, or £25 with monthly billing. To unlock this deal, simply buy a pass or set up monthly billing within one month of finishing your course and the deal will be applied at checkout.

^{*} Participants must be competent top-rope climbers to book this course.

^{**} It is perfect for those that have been climbing a handful of times or beginners.



Exclusive for you

Bespoke student courses

Book a super discounted course at a time that suits your group. Just gather a group from your university or college and get even cheaper rates on exclusive sessions:

Course, centre	Price	Length	Number required
Roped Beginners Course The Church (Bristol) The Arc (Chippenham)	£20pp instead of £75	4 hours of tuition split across 2 x 2 hour sessions	4-6 from the same university or college
Learn to Lead Climbing Course* The Church (Bristol) The Arc (Chippenham)	£30pp instead of £75	4 hours of tuition split across 2 x 2 hour sessions	4 from the same university or college
Movement and Technique** The Mothership, Bristol	£25pp instead of £66	3 hours of tuition split across 2 x 1.5 hour sessions	4-6 from the same university or college

^{*} Participants must be competent top-rope climbers to book this course.

Book bespoke courses

To arrange a bespoke course for your group, email **christoph@theclimbingacademy.com** with your preferred dates/times. Attenders will be asked to show student ID at the course.

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Focussed sessions

Bespoke personal coaching

You can also customise your climbing experience with personal coaching sessions. We can work around your schedule and offer a discounted student price of just £45 per hour for groups of up to 8 students – a bargain.

Please flag that you are a student when emailing.

ENQUIRE NOW

TCA Bristol

Student Comp Series 2025-26

Think your uni has the strongest climbers in the southwest? Time to prove it – our new 4-round winter bouldering comp – for students – is here:

Round 1: Thu 16 – Sun 19 October Round 2: Thu 25 – Sun 28 November Round 3: Thu 12 – Sun 15 February Round 4: Thu 26 – Sun 29 March

Format: 2 hours to climb as many as you can (Redpoint)

Cost = your usual wall entry (or pass) + £5 comp fee

Book online to guarantee your spot (but drop-ins welcome)

Categories: Open/Women/University Team (top 3 climbers from any gender)

Prizes for each round

1st place (Open & Women): 3-month passOther podium prizes to be announced

Grab your chalk bag. Rally your squad. Win for your uni.

Don't miss out

Follow us on social

Follow us on social and make sure you tick yes to getting TCA e-newsletters (when you register) for all the latest on our bouldering comps, shoe demos and other events. Find us on Instagram (The Mothership, The Church, The Arc) and Facebook (TCA Bristol, The Arc). Join our update channels on Insta for the latest alerts.

Visit My TCA to change your contact details.