The Universal bus service is operated by Whippet Coaches on behalf of the University of Cambridge.

The modern guideway-compatible buses have Euro VI diesel engines. Real-world testing of modern Euro VI buses shows 95% fewer emissions than the previous generation. Currently a Euro VI bus produces fewer emissions overall than a Euro 6 car despite having up to 20 times the carrying capacity. (source = Greener Journeys, February 2018)

Single (one-way) Tickets
Children aged 5-15 pay £1.30 accept before 09:00 on Mondays to Fridays when the adult fare applies. No restriction on Public Holidays.

The £1 discount is available to holders of University Cards, plus students and staff from other colleges/universities with appropriate photo ID (a NUS Card or Door Entry Pass). We do NOT accept letters or digital images as proof of ID. The driver’s discretion is final.

We expect to introduce mobile phone ticketing during 2018. Search for “Whippet Bus m-Ticket” in the App Store or Google Play.

Rover Tickets
These give unlimited travel on route U and any other Whippet bus service in the City Zone.

Rover tickets are also available for journeys starting or finishing outside of Cambridge on other Whippet services. Please visit our website for details. www.busuniversal.com

Multi-Operator Tickets
If you want the freedom to use any Busway bus at any time from either operator then the Busway Smartcard is the best ticket. To purchase your first card, please visit https://buswaytickets.cambridgeshire.gov.uk. The card is issued with 10 single trips (valid for two months). You then top-up the card on board any Busway bus using cash.

Cambridge Plusbus is valid anywhere on route U and most other buses in Cambridge. Purchase at the same time as your train ticket or from Cambridge Railway Station. See the dedicated website. www.plusbus.info.

Multibus tickets are available from the driver for a day or a week and are valid on most buses in Cambridgeshire. Details online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/buses/bus-ticket-types

Free Bus Pass
English National Concessionary Passes are accepted for free off-peak travel. See our website. www.busuniversal.com

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