6th COIL Conference Event Directions March 20-21, 2014
Reimagining Education: Can Collaborative Online International Learning Be Normalized?

The map below shows the location of the SUNY Global Center, Conference Hotels, and useful subway stations. You can access an interactive version at http://tinyurl.com/coilmap. Directions between are outlined on the following pages.

Conference Venue and Hotels

A - SUNY Global Center
116 E. 55th St.
New York, NY 10022
Phone Number: 212-317-3501

B - Central Synagogue Pavilion
Venue for Thursday Reception and Friday Luncheon
Entrance 100 yards/meters to East of the Global Center

G - Courtyard by Marriott - Midtown East
866 3rd Ave. - New York, NY 10022
Phone Number: 212-371-4000

H - Verve Hotel
40-03 29th Street - Long Island City, NY 11101
Phone Number: 718-786-4545

I - Holiday Inn - Manhattan View
39-05 29th St - Long Island City, NY 11101
Phone Number: 718-707-3700

Useful Subway Stations

C - Queens Plaza Station Entrance (E/M Trains) 41st Ave and Northern Blvd

D - 39th Av. Station Entrance (N/Q Trains) 39th Ave and 31st St.

E - Lexington Ave - 53rd St. Station Entrance (E/M Trains) Lexington Ave and 53rd St.

F - Lexington Ave - 59th St. Station Entrance (N/Q Trains) Lexington Ave and 60th St.

G - 5th Avenue/53rd Street Subway Station (E/M Trains) 5th Ave. and 53rd St.

H - 5th Avenue/59th Street Subway Station (N/Q Trains) 5th Ave. and 59th St.

More information about NYC’s public transit can be found at http://mta.info/nyct. You can find further info about each primary arrival point to NYC at these links: LaGuardia, JFK, Newark, Grand Central, Port Authority, Penn Station.

Note: There are also shared van shuttles from LaGuardia, JFK, or Newark to/from Manhattan including Super Shuttle and Prime Time Shuttle. However, these services usually take longer than taking the subway or taxi, and most do not have service to locations in Queens. We also strongly caution you to avoid using any driver approaching you at the airport to offer a ride.
The Global Center is located at 116 East 55th St. between Lexington and Park Avenues.

Directions from Verve Hotel and Holiday Inn – Manhattan View to SUNY Global Center:
The SUNY Global Center (marked A below) can be easily reached by subway in about 15-20 minutes from the Verve Hotel (marked H) or Holiday Inn – Manhattan View (marked I). The quickest route is to take a Manhattan-bound E or M subway line from the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C) 2 stops to the “Lexington Avenue–53rd Street” station (marked E). If you ride in the front of the train, when you exit the train you will be near a set of escalators which will take you to the exit at the corner of Lexington Avenue and 53rd Street. The Global Center is a short 2-block walk north.

Alternatively you can take a Manhattan-bound N or Q-train from the “39th Avenue” station (marked D on map) to the “Lexington Avenue-59th Street” station (marked F on map). If you ride towards the front of the train, you will be closer and better able to follow the exits to Lexington Avenue. The Global Center is a short 4-block walk south.

You can find more detailed directions through Google Maps. A taxi or car service between the two locations should take 10-20 minutes and cost about $12-15 plus tip and can be arranged by the staff at the hotel.

Note: The SUNY Global Center is a short walk from the Courtyard - Midtown East.

Directions to the SUNY Global Center from primary arrival points in NYC:
LaGuardia Airport: The Global Center can be reached by a combination of a local bus and subway. From the front of each terminal catch an M60 bus to the “Astoria Blvd.” subway station. From there transfer to a Manhattan-bound Q or N subway train. Get off at the “Lexington Avenue-59th Street” station (marked E on map). If you ride towards the front of the train, you will be closer and better able to follow the exits to Lexington Avenue. The Global Center is a short 4-block walk south. The total trip should take about 45 minutes and costs $2.50 total. Exact change is needed and no bills are accepted. There are also Metrocard machines inside the terminals near baggage claim. Ask the bus driver for a transfer for the subway. Alternatively a taxi would take about 20-30 minutes and cost $30-35 plus tip and tolls.

JFK Airport: You can easily reach the Global Center directly from JFK by subway. The ride takes about 45-60 minutes and is not much slower than a taxi at many times. Take the JFK Airtrain from any terminal to “Jamaica Station.” Once there follow the signs to transfer to a Manhattan-bound E subway train and take it to the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map). If you ride in the front of the train, when you exit the train you will be near a set of escalators which will take you to the exit at the corner of Lexington Avenue and 53rd Street. The Global Center is a short 2-block walk north. The cost would be $7.50 for the combined trip on the Airtrain and subway. A taxi alternatively takes 30-60 minutes and is a flat rate of $52 plus tip and tolls.

Pennsylvania Station (Amtrak, New Jersey Transit, Long Island RR): From the subway station attached to Penn Station, take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map). If you ride in the rear of the train, when you exit the train you will be near a set of escalators which will take you to the exit at the corner of Lexington Avenue and 53rd Street. The Global Center is a short 2-block walk north. The trip should take about 15 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively it is a short taxi ride ($10-12) or a 2.0 mile walk.

Port Authority Bus Station: From the subway station attached to the bus station, take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map). If you ride in the rear of the train, when you exit the train you will be near a set of escalators which will take you to the exit at the corner of Lexington Avenue and 53rd Street. The Global Center is a short 2-block walk north. The trip should take about 15 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively it is a short taxi ride ($10-12) or a 1.5 mile walk.

Directions to the Courtyard - Midtown East from primary NYC arrival points:
You can reach the Courtyard by following the same subway and taxi instructions above. However, follow the exits inside the stations to the 3rd Avenue exit. The hotel is a short walk south from both the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map) and the “Lexington Avenue-59th Street” station (marked F on map).
Directions to Verve Hotel and Holiday Inn from NYC primary arrival points

LaGuardia Airport: The Verve and Holiday Inn can be reached by a combination of local bus and subway. From the front of each terminal catch an M60 bus to the "Astoria Blvd." subway station. Then transfer to a Manhattan-bound Q or N subway train. Get off at the “39th Avenue” station (marked D). The total trip takes about 35-40 minutes and costs $2.50. Exact change is needed and no bills are accepted. There are also Metrocard machines inside the terminals near baggage claim. Ask bus driver for subway transfer. Alternatively a taxi takes about 15 minutes and cost $18-22 plus tip.

JFK Airport: You can easily reach the Verve Hotel and Holiday Inn from JFK by subway. Take the JFK Airtrain from any terminal to “Jamaica Station.” Once there follow the signs to transfer to a Manhattan-bound E subway train and take it to the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on the map). The trip should take 35-40 minutes and the cost would be $7.50 for the combined trip on the Airtrain and subway. Coming from JFK if you ride at the rear of the subway train, you will exit the train near the staircase that will take you directly to the entrance marked C on the map. The Verve is a short 5-minute walk from the Queens Plaza station. A taxi alternatively should take 25-35 minutes cost $40-45 plus tip.

Grand Central Terminal (MTA Metro-North Railroad): From the subway station attached to Grand Central, take a Queens-bound 7 subway train to the “Queensboro Plaza” station (just to the west of point C on map). The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively a taxi should take 15-25 minutes and cost $15-18 plus tip.

Pennsylvania Station (Amtrak, New Jersey Transit, Long Island RR): From the subway station attached to Penn Station, take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on map). If you ride at the front of the subway train, you will exit the train near a staircase that takes you directly to the entrance marked C on the map. The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively a taxi should take 20-30 minutes and cost $20-25 plus tip.

Port Authority Bus Station: From the subway station attached to the bus station, take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on map). If you ride at the front of the subway train, you will exit the train near the staircase that takes you directly to the entrance marked C on the map. The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively a taxi should take 20-30 minutes and cost $18-22 plus tip.

The fare for a subway or local bus ride is $2.50*. A new MetroCard costs $1. You can buy credit on MetroCards as:

- Pay-Per-Ride (Regular) MetroCard
- Unlimited Ride MetroCard

Pay-Per-Ride MetroCard

Buy at a station booth or at a MetroCard Vending Machine with a minimal value of $5. You can refill your card as often as you like and you get an automatic free transfer between subway and bus, or between buses within 2 hours.

Unlimited Ride MetroCard

7-Day Unlimited Pass Cost: $30

Good for unlimited subway and local bus rides until midnight, 7 days from day of first use.

More information on MetroCards can be found at [http://web.mta.info/metrocard/](http://web.mta.info/metrocard/)

* The cost of a SingleRide ticket is $2.75. Sold at vending machines only.
Departure Directions

Directions to the primary departure points in NYC from the Verve Hotel and Holiday Inn:

LaGuardia Airport: LaGuardia can be reached by a combination of subway and a local bus. From the “39th Avenue” station (marked D on map) take an Astoria-Ditmars bound Q or N subway train to the “Astoria Blvd.” subway station. From the Southeast corner of Hoyt Avenue and 31st Street directly below the subway station catch an M60 bus to LaGuardia Airport. The bus stops at each terminal. The total trip takes about 35-40 minutes and costs $2.50 total. You can use your same Metrocard for a free transfer to the bus. Alternatively, the hotel can arrange a car service which would take about 15-20 minutes and cost $18-22 plus tip.

JFK Airport: You can easily reach JFK from the hotels by subway. From the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on the map) take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Sutphin Blvd. – JFK” station. Once there, follow the signs to transfer to the JFK Airtrain and take it to your airline’s terminal. The trip should take 35-40 minutes and the cost would be $7.50 for the combined trip on the Airtrain and subway. The Airtrain uses the same Metrocard system as the subway. Alternatively, the hotel can arrange a car service which should take 20-40 minutes cost $40-45 plus tip.

Grand Central Terminal (MTA Metro-North Railroad): Take a Manhattan-bound 7 subway train from the “Queensboro Plaza” station (just to the west of point C on map) to the “Grand Central/42nd St” stop. The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively, a taxi should take 15-25 minutes and cost $15-18 plus tip.

Pennsylvania Station (Amtrak): From the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on the map) take a Manhattan-bound E subway train to the “34th Street – Penn Station” stop. The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively, the hotel can arrange a car service which would take about 15-20 minutes and cost $20-25 plus tip.

Port Authority Bus Station: From the “Queens Plaza” station (marked C on the map) take a Manhattan-bound E subway train to the “42nd Street – Port Authority Bus Terminal” stop. The trip should take about 20 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively, the hotel can arrange a car service which would take about 15-20 minutes and cost $18-22 plus tip.

Directions to primary departure points in NYC from the SUNY Global Center:

LaGuardia Airport: LaGuardia can be reached by a combination of a local bus and subway. From the “Lexington Avenue-59th Street” station (marked F on map) take a Queens-bound Q or N subway train to the “Astoria Blvd.” subway station. From the Southeast corner of Hoyt Avenue and 31st Street directly below the subway station catch an M60 bus. The total trip takes about 45 minutes and costs $2.50 total. You can use your same Metrocard for a free transfer to the bus. Alternatively, a taxi would take about 20-30 minutes and cost $30-35 plus tip.

JFK Airport: You can easily reach JFK from the Global Center by subway. From the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on the map) take a Queens-bound E subway train to the “Sutphin Blvd. – JFK” station. If you ride towards the front of the train you will be closer to the exit for the airport. Once there, follow the signs to transfer to the JFK Airtrain and take it to your airline’s terminal. The trip should take 45-60 minutes and the cost would be $7.50 for the combined trip on the Airtrain and subway. The Airtrain uses the same Metrocard system as the subway. A taxi alternatively takes 30-60 minutes and is a flat rate of $52 plus tip and tolls.

Pennsylvania Station (Amtrak): From the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map) take a Manhattan-bound E subway train to the “34th Street – Penn Station” stop. The trip should take about 10 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively, it is a short taxi ride or a 2.0 mile walk.

Grand Central Terminal (Metro-North Railroad): Is a short taxi ride or .75-mile walk south on Park Avenue.

Port Authority Bus Station: From the “Lexington Avenue-53rd Street” station (marked E on map) take a Manhattan-bound E subway train to the “42nd Street – Port Authority Bus Terminal” stop. The trip should take about 10 minutes and costs $2.50. Alternatively, it is a short taxi ride ($10-12) or a 1.5 mile walk.

Directions to primary departure points in NYC from the Courtyard - Midtown East

You can follow the same subway and taxi instructions listed above for departures from the SUNY Global Center.