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IJKA UK offer a warm welcome and invitation to all Karateka to join us and attend the Takato Utsumi UK Seminar 2026.

Takato Utsumi Sensei 7th Dan IJKA Chief Instructor, was personally selected by the late Sadashige Kato Shihan 10th Dan as his successor to continue the legacy and lead IJKA into the future.

We hope you will find all the seminar information you require within the following pages.

I look forward to welcoming you all to the second IJKA UK Takato Utsumi seminar.

Domo arigato.

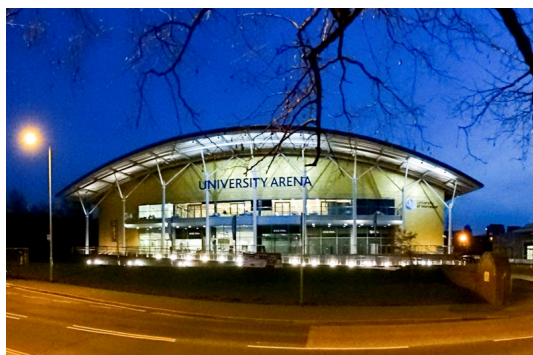
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Keith Crighton 7th Dan IJKA
Chief Instructor IJKA UK

The Seminar Venue

University of Worcester Arena,
Hylton Road,
Worcester,
Worcestershire
WR2 5JN
ENGLAND



Seminar Times and Fees

Saturday 29 August 2026: 10:30 to 16:00

Sunday 30 August 2026: 10:30 to 16:00

Days	IJKA Member	Non IJKA Member
2 Days - Adult (16+)	70	90
2 Days - Junior	50	60
Saturday or Sunday Only - Adult (16+)	45	55
Saturday or Sunday Only - Junior	30	35
----- Prices are Pound Sterling -----		

Seminar Fees

The seminar fees **include** lunch. This has been arranged for your convenience because the University **does not** allow any other food to be brought into the Arena.

There will be a break on both days for lunch, which will be delivered to the Arena.

Dan Grading

Time will be allocated for a dan grading during the weekend (only if required). This is only for eligible IJKA members. IJKA Karateka wanting to take a dan grade **must apply** to the IJKA UK Secretary at least **eight weeks** in advance of the seminar.

Parking

The Arena has dedicated pay and display car parking at the rear of the venue with over 250 parking spaces. On event days 'all day' parking is £6.00 per car (contactless payments only).

On-line Registration - Seminar

Karateka who want to attend the seminar **must** submit an on-line registration form.

On-line Registration allows attendee numbers to be known in advance, ensuring IJKA UK can book / provide catering that covers lunch for all attendees on both days.

The on-line registration form is accessed via the Events page of the IJKA UK Website.

For payment information please see page 4.

Closing date for on-line registration 1st June 2026

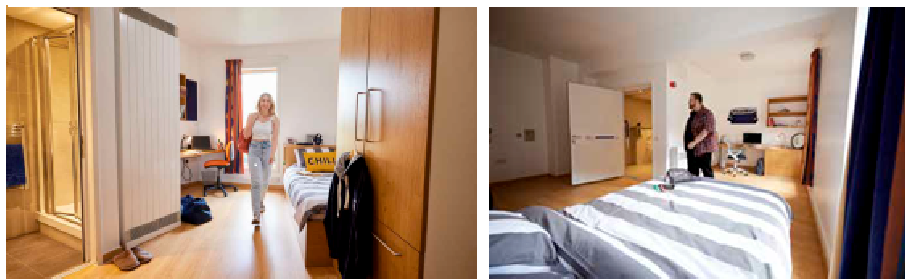
Accommodation

Seminars away from home can be expensive events to attend. As part of IJKA UK's hire of the Arena and **importantly** to help our travelling attendees minimise costs, IJKA UK have secured a **special discounted** rate for single rooms on a bed and breakfast basis at the University. The accommodation is very close to the seminar venue and most importantly is the **very best value** accommodation **anywhere** in Worcester.

Important: The University can **only** provide single occupancy rooms.

The rooms are located within AE Housman Hall, St John's Campus, University of Worcester, which is about 12 minutes walk from the Arena where the seminar is being held.

For location of the Arena / Accommodation please see Map 1 on page 5.



The En-Suite Plus rooms are located in student halls and come with a single bed, wardrobe, and desk. Each room includes a private en-suite bathroom with a sink, shower, and toilet. Shared comforts include a large communal kitchen and dining area within each flat, complete with flatscreen TV, perfect for socialising and unwinding with others.

IJKA UK have initially reserved 40 rooms with the University for Friday and Saturday night and these will be allocated to attendees on a ‘first come first served’ basis. Once these 40 rooms have been allocated for attendees, booking additional rooms *might* be possible depending on University availability at the time.

The total price of a single occupancy room for 2 nights including breakfast is £132

Should your travel plans mean you require accommodation for more than 2 nights, please let us know **ASAP** via the on-line registration form and we will investigate possibilities of adding additional nights for you to one of the 40 rooms reserved with the University.

Additional nights will depend *entirely* on University availability. Cost would be £66/night.

Important: IJKA UK therefore kindly advises that you register **ASAP** to ensure you **will** be allocated a room (if required) or in the case of requiring additional nights, IJKA UK can make early requests to check availability with the University.

On-line registration - Accommodation

As part of the on-line registration process for the seminar you will be asked if you require a single room with Bed and Breakfast for your 2 night stay in Worcester. If you require additional nights please advise IJKA UK via the registration form.

Important: Due to expected demand IJKA UK reserves the right to give your requested room to other attendees, in the event of non-payment in advance.

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IJKA UK Saturday night Social

A social evening on Saturday at a local venue is being planned. Details will be released as soon as they are available.

Airports

For our overseas friends the closest airport to Worcester is Birmingham International. This is about 30 miles from Worcester.

Visas

Should you require assistance with travel visas, for example, an official letter of invitation from IJKA UK, please ask. There is a space at the bottom of the on-line registration form for informing IJKA UK of any other requests / information.

On-line Registration Form

Access to the form is via the Events page of the IJKA UK Website. All fields are mandatory. There are comment fields on the form where you can inform IJKA UK of any special personal dietary or allergy requirements regarding the lunch and provide details of any extra nights accommodation that you require. These comment fields will only appear when 'Yes' has been selected for the particular question.

We hope you have no further requests but if you do there is a space at the bottom of the on-line registration form for informing IJKA UK of any other requests / information.

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Payment for Seminar fees and Accommodation

Once you have submitted an on-line registration form, you will be contacted via the email address given on the form and informed how to make your payment for either the Seminar or Seminar plus Accommodation.

Important: Until full payment for the seminar and accommodation (if required) is received, your booking(s), will remain *provisional*. Due to expected demand IJKA UK reserves the right to give any requested room to other attendees, in the event of non-payment in advance.

IMPORTANT - The Arena - University Rules and regulations

IJKA UK's hire of the Arena comes with signed understanding that the association and all seminar attendees and spectators must comply with rules and regulations set by the University.

IJKA UK therefore take the opportunity to kindly make you aware of all the University rules and regulations in advance, to avoid any confusion or misunderstanding on the weekend.

Bag Policy

University staff *will be* on hand and *will* conduct bag searches upon entry to the Arena. This is a strict condition of the Arena Hire that IJKA UK and all attendees must comply with. Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.

Important: Refusal of a bag check will result in refusal of entry.

Bags - Karateka that are training

You will be allowed *one* large sports bag *only*. The University does not allow any other large bags to be taken into the arena for security reasons. Travel cases are **NOT** permitted inside the arena.

Bags - Spectators

You will be permitted to take an A4 size bag or smaller into the arena. *One* bag is allowed per person. Bags that are half-full and folded over to reduce their size *will not* be accepted.

Sizes: The University class small bags as no larger than A4 size (21cm x 30cm) or standard handbags. Travel cases, laptop bags and large tote bags are **NOT** permitted inside the arena.

Please observe the bag rules to avoid any problems for you or IJKA

Food Policy

The University *does not* allow any food to be brought into the Arena by attendees or spectators. University caterers will be providing a lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

The lunch will be served in the Reception area of the Arena.

The seminar fees *include* the cost of the lunch.

Important: As part of the on-line registration process for the seminar you will be asked if there are any special dietary / allergy requirements IJKA UK and importantly the University caterers, should be made aware of.

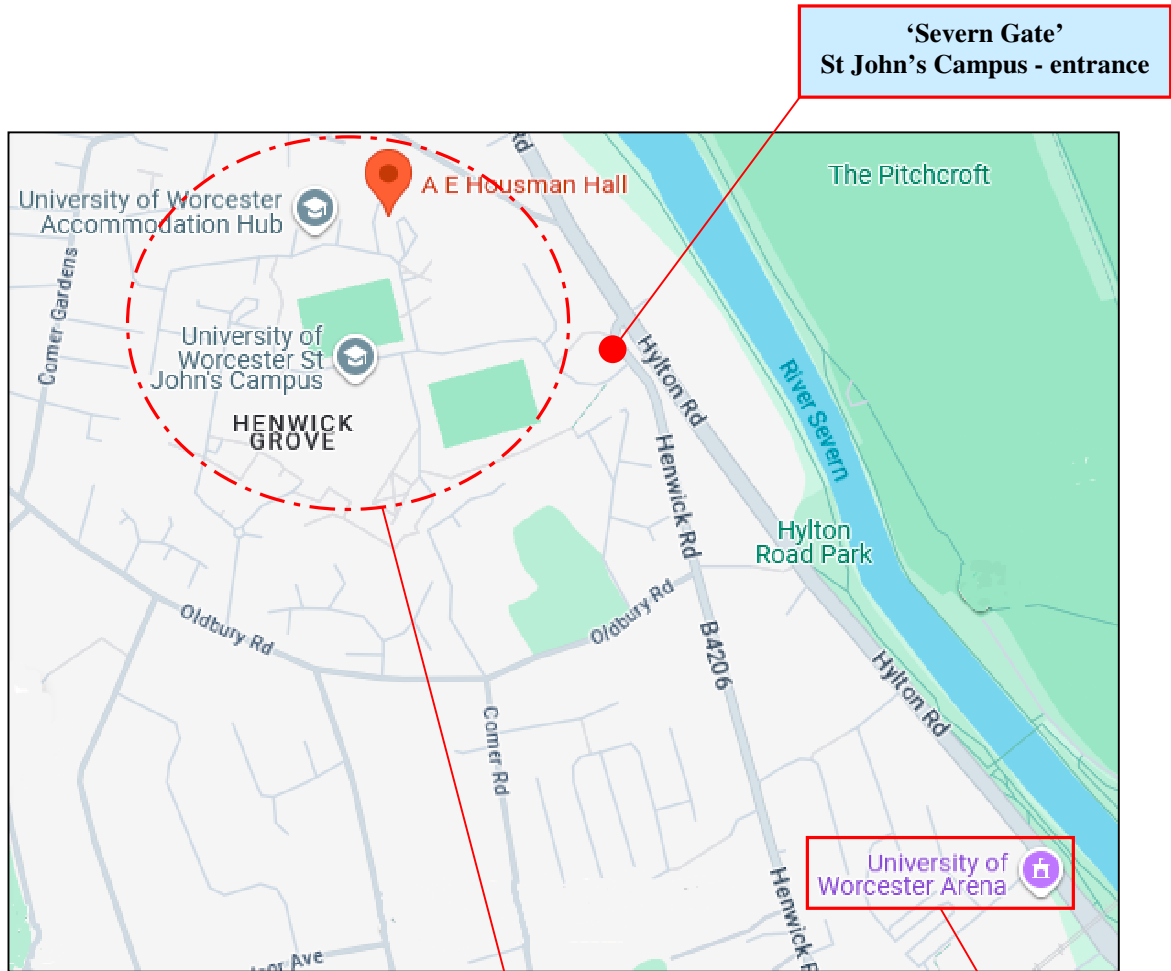
Seating

As part of IJKA UK's hire agreement, a seating area of the Arena has been allocated that can be used for lunchtime and for any spectators during the day.

We look forward to welcoming you to Worcester, England, in August 2026.

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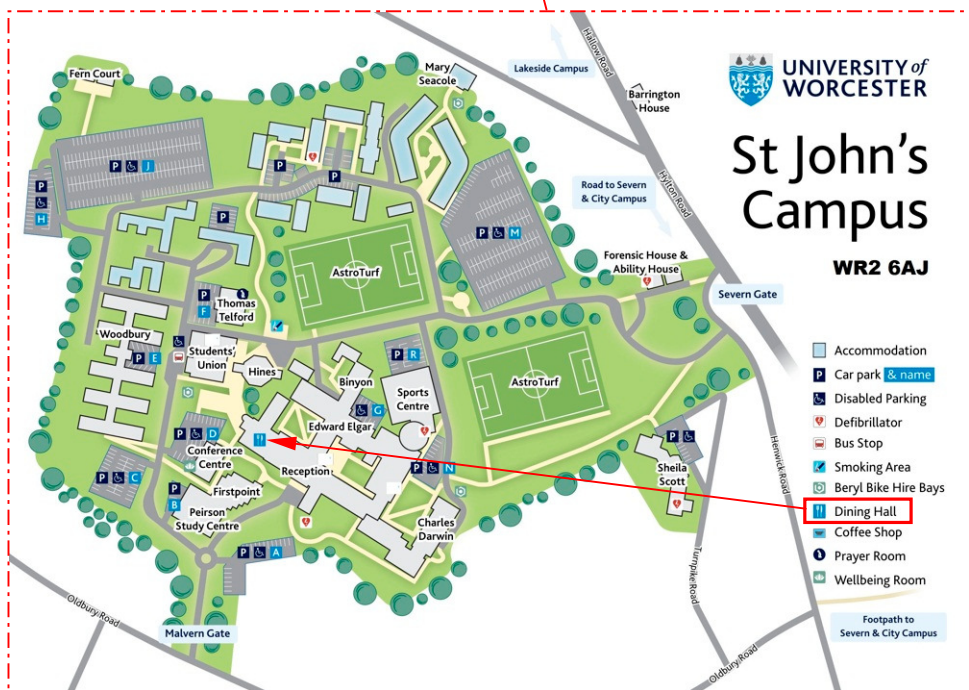
Location of Arena and St John's Campus (Map 1)



**'Severn Gate'
St John's Campus - entrance**

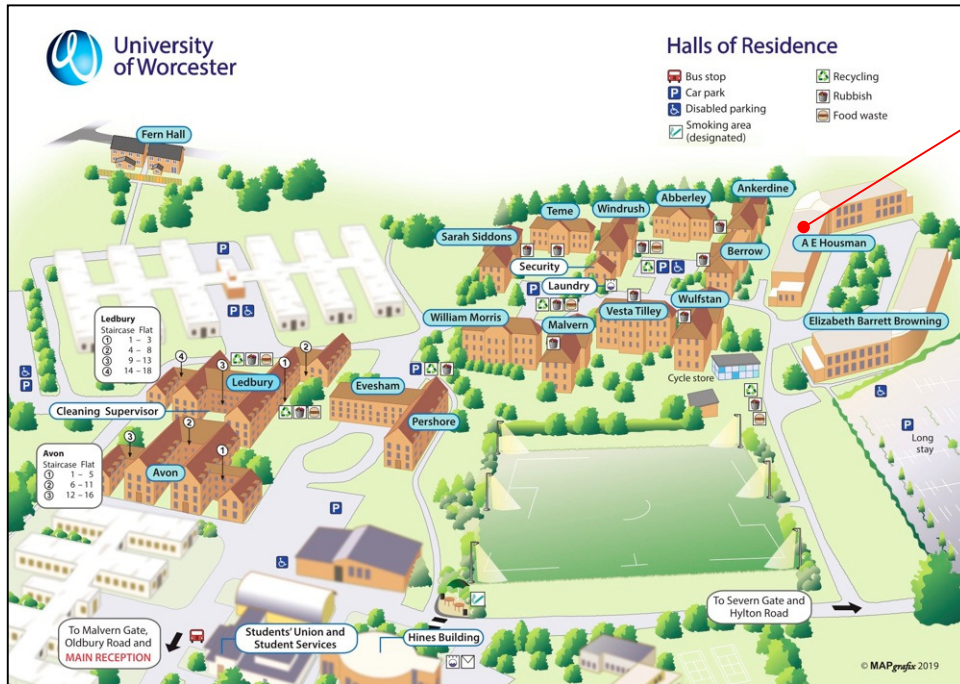
**University of
Worcester Arena**

Seminar venue



- See next page for exact location of A E Housman Halls of Residence

St John's Campus - Halls of Residence (Map 2)



Reserved Accommodation