

HOW TO'S

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

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FIRST DAY
For Fall 2019 Freshmen:
Cajun Connection &
New Student Convocation

August 22, 2019

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Residential Student Parking

All residential students with a vehicle on campus **must** have an active permit with Transportation Services each semester.

Students living on campus may begin purchasing fall semester parking permits, tentatively, on **Thursday, August 1, 2019**. Log into [ULink](#), select "Campus Services," select "Access my Parking Account," and then select "Get Permit". There is a two-step process for obtaining a permit: 1) registering the vehicle to the parking account; and 2) purchasing the permit. Permits must be renewed each semester. The residential parking zones include:

- **Baker, Bonin, Coronna, Harris, & Huger Halls:** Olivier Tower on McKinley St. (3rd level and above) and Taft Street Parking Tower (all levels).
- **Agnes Edwards Hall:** Zone 29R on Smith Street and Zone 27 along Rex Street.

Overflow flow parking for all of the residence halls above is located in Zone 15 (EK Long on Girard Park Circle). Permit prices for each zone will be available on August 1.

Commuter Student Parking

All commuter students with a vehicle on campus (even those parking for free at Cajun Field) **must** have an active permit with Transportation Services each semester.

Students commuting to campus may obtain fall semester parking permits starting, tentatively, on **Thursday, August 1, 2019**. Log into [ULink](#), select "Campus Services," select "Access my Parking Account," and then select "Get Permit". There is a two-step process for obtaining a permit: 1) registering the vehicle to the parking account; and 2) obtaining or purchasing the permit.

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Commuter students have the following parking options:

- **Free Parking at Cajun Field:** Commuters have the option to select the free commuter parking permit and ride the UL Lafayette transit buses to campus. Students should arrive at Cajun Field at least 45 minutes before class. Buses start running at 7:00 AM Monday-Friday. [Click here](#) to see the transit schedule. This permit does not allow for night parking on campus. See Night Permit information below for parking on campus after 3:00 PM.
- **Girard Park Circle Parking Tower Permit:** This on-campus parking permit may be purchased through ULink for \$325 per semester (permits must be renewed each semester). This location offers 900 guaranteed permit parking spaces on floors three through six. These do sell out quickly due to the fixed number of parking spaces for this area.
- **Hourly Parking in the Girard Park Circle Parking Tower:** Hourly parking is available on floors one and two. Payment (debit/credit only) must be made at the kiosks located near the elevators and stairs. The price is \$5 for 1 minute to 120 minutes and \$1 per 60 minutes thereafter.
- **Night Permits:** Commuters have the option to purchase these permits for \$25 per semester (permits must be renewed each semester). Parking access for these permits will begin at 3:00 PM in non-gated lots and 4:30 PM for many gated lots Monday-Friday.

Handicap Parking

Any individual who requires special accommodations for handicap parking on campus should contact the Office of Transportation Services and provide appropriate state issued credentials in order to obtain a handicap parking permit.

Vehicles in handicap spots without displaying the proper state issued credentials will face a \$300 citation from the University and may be immobilized or towed at the owner's expense. If immobilized, a \$100 fine is added to the balance due and all fines must be paid prior to removal.

Visitor Parking

Guests may park on levels one and two of the Girard Park Circle Parking Tower. Accepted methods of payment include debit and credit cards. Cash, checks, and Cajun Card are not accepted. The price is \$5 for 1 minute to 120 minutes and \$1 per 60 minutes thereafter.

The Girard Park Circle Parking Tower is the only hourly parking on campus available to visitors.

Free 30 minute parking is available in the side lot of the Student Union.

[View a map of the parking areas on campus.](#)

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What You Need To Register For Parking

Transportation Services utilizes virtual parking permits and LPR (license plate recognition) for enforcement. Decals and hangtags are not issued. License plate recognition software is used to identify parking privileges in all locations. When registering for parking on campus, it is imperative that the plate number is entered correctly. When registering, you will need:

- Student ULID
- Phone number
- Home address
- Assigned housing community (if an on-campus resident)
- License plate number and state of issue
- Vehicle year, color, make, and model

Important Parking Reminders:

- Parking regulations remain in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Any parked vehicle must be registered with the University or parked in the Girard Park Circle Parking Tower's first or second floor with time paid.
- A vehicle may be immobilized or towed after it has accumulated three unpaid citations.

Campus Shuttle

The University provides transportation from the main campus to the satellite facilities of Bourgeois Hall and Cajun Field. During the school year, these shuttles run continuously from 7 AM to 8 PM Monday - Thursday and 7 AM to 3 PM on Friday. Night shuttles are available from 8 PM to 10 PM Monday - Thursday and 3 PM to 8:15 PM on Friday by calling 337-482-5305.

Live Bus Tracking

All buses are equipped with tracking devices that allow students to see live information on bus locations. Download the official UL Lafayette app and select "Track Buses". Select the type of route you would like and you will see all buses on that particular route along with all stops associated with it. You can get estimated times of arrival for any of the stops.

Bicycle Information

UL Lafayette is a bike friendly campus offering special bike lanes on St. Mary Blvd. and multiple bike racks across campus. All bikes on campus must comply with state requirements and regulations. Students must have lights and reflective materials on their bikes, and should only ride on streets and not sidewalks. Read more about the [Rules of the Road](#) for bicycles, and be sure to have your student [register](#) their bike.

Other rules include:

- Bicycles must be secured to a bike rack. Individuals are encouraged to use a U-bolt lock as they are the most secure.
- Bicycles cannot be secured to handrails, fences, trash receptacles, trees, trip rails, sign posts or anything other than a bike rack.
- Bicycles not properly secured to a bike rack will be impounded by Transportation Services.
- Bicycles that remain in bicycle racks or other places 7 days after the end of the semester will be impounded by Transportation Services. Bicycles that remain unclaimed for 6 months will be disposed of according to State of Louisiana rules and regulations.

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It's not too late to register for SOUL Camp!

SOUL Camp 337 (July 19-21) is a brand new, Lafayette-based camp program where students will learn about the history and culture of Lafayette and the Acadiana area while also preparing for university life. This program will be a smaller group (maximum of 60 campers) and will be led by our Lead Staff and Komeback Krewe mentors.

SOUL Camps A (August 10-13)

and B (August 15-18) are traditions-based camp

programs that will be facilitated partially on campus and partially at a retreat center called Tall Timbers.

Students will learn about the history & traditions of

UL Lafayette while making friends, connecting with mentors, and also preparing for university life.

Those attending SOUL Camp A and B will have the opportunity to move into their residence hall on the first day of their assigned camp.

You can find more information for both camp programs on the [SOUL Camp website](#).

If you'd like for your student to attend, please email soulcamp@louisiana.edu with your student's name, ULID, and which camp sessions they'd like to attend!



"Your Freshman is Off to College" offers a handy month-by-month guide for parents as the first year of college unfolds. While dealing with serious topics, the book reflects a fun, informative look at the first year for parents of new college students, making "tongue-in-cheek" connections between a child's first months of life to this newest important stage of development - the freshman year.

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