Where Do My Parking & Transportation Dollars Go?

Revenue generated by Parking & Transportation Services is solely devoted to providing services that directly benefit our customers. As an auxilliary unit within Georgia Tech Services, the department is financially self-sustaining, with Parking generating its own revenue. In addition to mandatory student fees and an Institute allocation, Transportation earns revenue from charter rentals, special transit services, and transit advertising. The graphs below show how your parking dollars were invested in 2013-2014 in order to provide the best products and services to you and to all of our patrons.

PARKING

The flexibility of our parking program means that whether you visit campus often or rarely, at night or on weekends, via bike, car, or carpool, we have a solution for you.

Annual Individual Permits

With the purchase of an Annual Individual Permit, students, faculty, and staff are assigned a zone, which they may park in at any time (with exceptions during special events and construction). Permits are valid from the time of purchase through August 14 each year. All permit purchases are subject to space availability. Customers may join wait lists for unavailable parking locations at www.driverseat.gatech.edu. See the “Make the Most of Your Parking Permit” section for how to maximize your parking experience.

Carpool Permits

Students, faculty, and staff who live off campus and carpool are eligible for discounted permits. Carpools can be assigned to the permit holder’s account; members are welcome to split the cost.

After-Hours Access

All Annual Individual and Carpool permit holders may park in nonresident (or V or W zones) parking areas from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m., Monday through Thursday (BuzzCards can be used to access gated areas after hours). Permits may also be used on weekends from 5 p.m. Friday to 8 a.m. Monday. After-hours access for the E41 and E61 parking zones is granted from 5 p.m. to 6 a.m. on weekdays. After-hours access is not granted in residential (IR or WR) parking zones. Customers must own an E41 or E61 permit to park in E41 (Turner Plaza) or E61 after hours.

Special Event Parking and Transit

Bus, tram, train, and air travel services are available to and from campus during special events. Information and schedules are available at www.pts.gatech.edu/events.

Motorcycles

Several parking areas have motorcycle spaces. Customers with motorcycles, motorized scooters, trikes, or any type of engine size are required to purchase permits and park in designated spaces. Motorcycles can be added as a secondary vehicle on an Annual Individual Permit for a fee.

SmartPark

For students and employees who occasionally drive to campus, SmartPark is a pay-as-you-go permit that costs $20 annually, plus $5 per use (automatically debited from a permit holder’s BuzzCard account). It allows parking in one of three zones: Tech Square Parking Deck (E81), Visitor Parking Area 3, and North Campus Deck (W92), from 8:00 a.m. to midnight. Overnight parking is not permitted. SmartPark permits are nontransferable.

Transportation

• Flashing hazard lights or dashboard notes are not substitutes for a permit or paid parking at meters or in visitor spaces.
• Parking permits are nontransferable and should not be given or sold to others. Doing so may result in towing or a citation — as will adding another person’s vehicle information to your account.
• Please ensure guests are aware of visitor parking options before they come to campus.
• Fine fines, fees, the hydrants, building doormats, entranceways, bus stops, bike lanes, leaves, landscapes, sidewalks, crosswalks, and no parking zones should always remain clear of vehicles.
• Motorcycles must refrain from parking at bike racks as well as at the aforementioned locations.
• Areas not designated specifically as parking spaces are considered no parking zones.
• Parking in reserved spaces is allowed only with the owner’s authorization.
• Parking in handicapped spaces is allowed only with a state-issued handicapped hang tag or license plate.
• Parking rules and regulations are strictly enforced through the Institute’s Motorist Assistance Program Service (MAPS).

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

• Parking permits are not transferable and should not be given or sold to others. Doing so may result in towing or a citation — as will adding another person’s vehicle information to your account.
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Parking Permit Patrons

• Visitors can purchase temporary parking permits from Parking & Transportation Services; otherwise, they should park in designated visitor parking areas and pay the posted rate. All other campus parking is by permit only.
• When parked on campus, make sure your permit hangs from your rearview mirror to ensure that the permit is visible to law enforcement and that your vehicle is not subject to a citation.
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Transportation

• Transit vehicles load and unload at assigned stops only. Drivers are not permitted to stop at unmarked locations.
• Trolley and Stingerette drivers are not trained — nor are their vehicles — to operate in poor weather conditions. For everyone’s safety, please stand behind the yellow line on Stingerettes and trolleys and stay back from the door areas.
• Refrain from distracting transit drivers while vehicles are in motion.
• After-hours, please walk behind the vehicle; otherwise, wait until it leaves the transit stop before crossing the street.
• Take all your belongings when exiting vehicles, including any food or trash.
• Lost items will be taken to the Parking & Transportation Services office. Email info.parking@gatech.edu with inquiries.
• Smoking is not permitted at transit stops or inside the vehicles.

ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

Electric Vehicle Charging

Level 1 electric vehicle charging is available in the Tech Square parking deck (E111) for faculty, staff, students, and visitors who pay an hourly rate to charge their electric vehicles.

Bike Share

BuzzBike is a semester-long bike rental program that allows students to rent bikes for an hourly, day-long, or monthly fee. Bikes are equipped with an inexpensive, safe, and eco-friendly transportation option while reducing our impact on area streets. Students can apply at www.buzzbike.gatech.edu for more information.

MARTA

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) is a combined bus, rail, and paratransit system serving Atlanta, as well as Fulton and DeKalb counties. The Institute is near the Midtown and North Avenue rail stations on the Blue and Green lines, which are accessible from the Midtown station’s Peachtree Street entrance. Students, faculty, and staff may purchase multi-day MARTA passes from the BuzzCard Center on the second floor of Barnes & Noble at Georgia Tech. Faculty and staff permits are available for discounted passes via MARTA Brava Cards via prepayed permit option and pick them up at Parking & Transportation Services.

Metro Transit Systems

MARTA Transit Services is supplemented by various other transit agencies in the Atlanta region. Most transit services are provided by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) via the Georgia Metropolitan Transportation Authority. For more information, visit www.dot.gata.org or call 404-659-4900.

Zipcar

Zipcar is a membership-based car-sharing program that provides vehicles for individuals and families for discounted rates as well as car maintenance and basic repairs. Visit www.zipcar.com for more information.

Zimride

Zimride is a social networking site that helps create rideshares. It connects passengers to drivers or groups of friends who share the same or nearby destinations. Visit www.zimride.com to find a match.

Cyclists

Cyclists are encouraged to wear helmets and use only U-locks to secure their bikes to bike racks, which are located at most campus buildings.

GOTCHA Ride

GOTCHA Ride provides FREE rides to students, faculty, and staff around Georgia Tech. Rides can be reserved by calling 855-GOTCHA (468-7433), via the www.Facebook.com/TheGOTCHARide OR by flagging a driver in person. Service is based on availability and subject to change. Service is in effect every Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. ©2014 Georgia Tech Parking & Transportation Services.
**Stinger Routes**
Stinger buses operate on three routes, each serving a different area of campus. The Red and Blue Routes loop around the campus core and through the east and west residential areas. The Green Route serves the 14th Street corridor, the Graduate Living Center, the campus core, the North Avenue Research Area, and TEP. Stinger services are provided year-round on weekdays except on Institute holidays.

**RED ROUTE**
Monday – Friday
7 a.m. – 9:45 p.m.

**BLUE ROUTE**
Monday – Friday
7 a.m. – 10 p.m.

**GREEN ROUTE**
Monday – Friday
6:45 a.m. – 9 p.m. (NARA/TEP until 6 p.m.)

**Tech Trolley & Midnight Rambler**

**Tech Trolley**
Tech Trolleys operate on an east-west route, providing service between the Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons and Tech Square. This route also includes service to the Midtown MARTA Station and the Publix grocery store at Spring Street and Peachtree Place.

**Tech TROLLEY**
Monday – Friday
5:45 a.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Saturday
10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sunday
3 p.m. – 9:45 p.m.

**Midnight Rambler**
The Midnight Rambler connects the West Campus residential area to East Campus during fall and spring semesters only. It serves the Student Center, Campus Recreation Center, North Avenue Dining Hall, and Clough Undergraduate Learning Commons, which offer late-night hours.

**WEEKEND GROCERY SHUTTLE**
Saturday – Sunday
10:10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.