Wintery Greetings!

With the change in weather and light, we have heard about several transportation related issues. We have been engaged in discussions with our UVM Transportation and Parking Services & UVMMC Parking staff to advocate on your behalf regarding your recent parking concerns.

Here is what we have learned for VT based students:

- **All Preclinical Students** – UVM Transportation and Parking Services (802-658-8686; Marsh Hall, 31 Spear St, Suite 6):
  - For those of you living inside Commuter Proximate Zone and are not eligible for commuter parking passes—here are some options:
    - **Alternative transportation options**: public transportation, biking, walking, carshare, and carpooling (make a friend who lives outside the zone and pitch in for their permit?)
    - **Evening Commuter Parking Permit**: Good for parking outside of peak hours – limited evening hours (prior to 9am, and after 1pm)
    - **Graduate Student Single-Use Permits** ($12/permit, 6 uses/days per permit, 2 permits/student/semester granted): All graduate students, regardless of their address and proximity to campus, are eligible to purchase up to 12 single-use parking permits per semester. The single-use permits allow parking in the Brown Zone (Gutterson/Catamount West). All graduate students within close proximity can also purchase single-use permits during the summer session.
      - Eligible graduate students may obtain their single use permits by coming to the parking office at Marsh Hall, 31 Spear St, Suite 6 or by purchasing them on our online portal. Payments for permits can be made by cash, check, credit, or debit card.
      - **NOTE**: If you haven’t purchased these yet this semester, it’s not too late – this combined with carpooling might be a good option if are trying to avoid walking in the cold/ dark.
  - For those of you living outside Commuter Proximate Zone, here are your options:
    - **Alternative transportation options**: public transportation, biking, walking, carshare, and carpooling
    - **Commuter Brown Parking Permit** (requires proof of residency), which allows for all day parking in Catamount West (near police services) & Gutterson Lots

- **All students**:
  - **After hours emergency service – “UVM Safety Escort Service” (via UVM Police Services)**: If you are feeling unsafe and unable to secure a safe option home, please do not hesitate to call the UVM Safety Escort Service at 802-656-3473 – depending on other emergencies, UVM Police Services may be in a position to provide you with private escort
Clinical Level VT-Campus Students:
- UVMMC Security, Parking & Transportation (802-847-2812; 111 Colchester Avenue, Engineering 401):
  - All clinical students are issued a Lakeside or Lakeside “rotator” parking assignment, and this is explained once they register with UVMMC.
  - To register, visit UVMMC Security, Parking and Transportation
  - For regular scheduled shifts, M-F 4:15am – 9:20pm you are required to shuttle in from Lakeside, if you are kept past shuttling hours for some reason, you can call security, and they will provide you with a ride to Lakeside (802-847-2812)
  - For scheduled evening or night shifts students can park in the ACC parking garage.
  - IMPORTANT – Do Not Park in ED Lot or Parking Garage: Students are never allowed to park in the ED lot.
    Only students who have evening or night shifts are allowed to park in the ACC parking garage. You will be ticketed and/or towed.
  - All Larner M3 & M4 students can secure a Commuter Yellow Permit (includes Beaumont Lot)
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This is a complex issue and there are no easy fixes. We understand the challenges faced by the UVM TPS Team who navigate an impossible task daily: to support as many parking needs as possible for all students (undergraduate, athletes, graduate, and med), faculty and staff, with limited parking space available. Moreover, they collaborate with the University and City of Burlington to support sustainable business and city practices “Joint institution management parking plan” with the city works to limit emissions and city space delegated to parking.

For more information: UVM Transportation and Parking Services (802-658-8686; Marsh Hall, 31 Spear St, Suite 6):

We will continue to engage in collaborative conversations with our UVM partners, while continuing to advocate for your needs.

With appreciation,

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