Alternative Transportation

Definition and Purpose
Alternative Transportation programs increase walking, biking, transit, carpooling, and other forms of personal transportation that will reduce the number of single-occupant vehicles trips to campus on a daily basis. Alternative commutes reduce environmental pollutants, traffic congestion, fuel costs, and the building of new parking decks on campus, and generally support a more pedestrian friendly campus and healthier lifestyle. Alternative transportation is defined as transportation options for faculty, staff, students and visitors which provide access to and around campus without the need to use a single-occupant vehicle.

Rules and Regulations
It is the goal of GT Parking and Transportation Services to provide a range of transportation options to students, staff, and visitors that reduce the need for the use of the single-occupant vehicle and support a more pedestrian friendly campus.

Getting to Campus:
- Visit the transportation options featured on the PTS website:

Getting around Campus:
- Georgia Tech has a fare-free transit system called the Stinger; any student, staff, faculty, guest or visitor may ride the campus transit buses free of charge.
- The Red and Blue routes service the core of the Georgia Tech campus, while the Green route extends north and south of campus.
- The Gold route provides service between the Campus Transit Hub and the Midtown MARTA Station, stopping at many locations throughout campus and Midtown along the way.
- The Midnight Rambler provides nighttime transit service, connecting west and east campuses. The route includes convenient stops at the Clough Undergraduate Learning Center, the Student Center and the North Avenue Dining Hall.
- The Tech Square route connects Clough Commons with Technology Square and close proximity to the North Avenue MARTA Station.
- The NARA / TEP route provides service between the Campus Transit Hub and the NARA and TEP complexes located along North Avenue.
- The Emory route provides convenient transportation from Georgia Tech to Emory University, operating Monday through Friday during fall and spring and summer semesters.
- Stingerette is a demand-response, shared-ride transportation service for Georgia Tech students aimed to provide safe and efficient evening transportation on Georgia Tech's campus and the neighborhoods in-between. The Stingerette is available seven days a week from 8:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. (excluding Institute holidays and during home football games).
- Georgia Tech provides paratransit service to students with a qualifying disability (permanent or temporary) which requires transportation as a reasonable accommodation. Paratransit service is prescheduled on a weekly basis, and available Monday-Friday, 7:30 AM to 8:00 PM. Authorization to use this service must be obtained from the Office of Disability Services located in the Student Services Building (404-894-2563).
Support Programs:

- **Weekend Grocery Shuttle**
  Stinger bus service is provided to Atlantic Station’s Publix grocery store on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with the exception of Institute holidays and home football game days.

- **Passio Go! Bus Tracking**
  Passio GO! Is the official bus tracking app for the Georgia Tech Stinger buses. Riders can access real-time arrival information on the web at bus.gatech.edu.

- **Zipcar**
  Zipcar is the world's largest, membership-based, car-sharing company. Zipcar provides members access to a variety of new, fuel-efficient vehicles conveniently located throughout the Georgia Tech campus and Atlanta. Georgia Tech’s partnership with Zipcar provides exceptional discounts for students, faculty and staff. For more information go to http://www.zipcar.com/gt/

- **Bike GT**
  Cyclists are encouraged to wear helmets and use U-locks to secure their bikes only to bike racks, which can be located at most campus buildings. For more information about bike registration and the Institute’s bike infrastructure, visit www.bike.gatech.edu.

- **SmartPark**
  SmartPark offers flexibility for students and employees who occasionally drive to campus. It is a pay as you go parking permit program, allowing customers to purchase a SmartPark card for $25 and pay only $6 to park in designated lots. For more details please visit https://pts.gatech.edu/permits-payment

- **Commuter Rewards**
  Register on-line for Georgia Commute Options, a joint program with Midtown Alliance, The Clean Air Campaign and Georgia Tech that rewards members for carpooling and commuting to work daily. Log your commute to earn rewards at www.gacommuteoptions.com.

- **Regional Transit Pass Sales**
  Parking and Transportation offers regional transit passes for MARTA and commuter bus services. MARTA passes are available through payroll deduction for full-time employees. Additionally MARTA passes can be purchased each month by students and employees at the PTS Office. Commuter bus passes are available through payroll deduction only for full-time employees.

**Related References**

GT Disability Accommodation http://www.ohr.gatech.edu/ers/disability
ADA Information for Employees http://www.ohr.gatech.edu/ers/disability
Environmental Health and Safety http://www.ehs.gatech.edu/organization
Office of Disability Services https://disabilityservices.gatech.edu/

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