TRANSIT ALERT



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With the return to in-person learning and increase in commuter and pedestrian traffic to campus, we wanted to provide some reminders to ensure the safety of our community members and courtesy to our campus neighbors.

Rideshare Pick-Up/Drop-off

Out of concern for AU community members' safety and traffic congestion on major roads near campus, AU asks that students, faculty, and staff requesting pick-up and drop-offs from rideshare companies (such as Uber and Lyft) to do so within the confines of campus. Please use the following designated and light-blue curbed and signed locations:

- East Campus Surface Lot
- LL Letts Roadway
- Hughes Hall Shuttle Cutout
- Nebraska Hall

Calling rideshares to Nebraska, New Mexico, or Massachusetts Avenues creates congestions and drastically affects traffic flows around the university and presents a safety hazard to both drivers and pedestrians alike. Please be considerate of other commuters and AU's neighbors and call rideshares within campus.

Shared Scooter & Bike Parking

As the university explores the possibility of a partnership to bring shared personal scooter to campus, please ensure that you are parking shared scooters and bikes (such as those offered from Bird, Helbiz, Lime, Lyft & Spin) at the designated geo-fenced bike racks on campus and locking them to the racks in order to be in accordance with DC's new scooter-locking law, which went into effect October 1st, 2021. Whether you are parking them on or off campus, ensure they are out-of-the-way and not blocking pedestrian pathways on sidewalks in addition to being tethered to a bike rack or other permanent post.

Pedestrian Safety Reminder

Pedestrians must wait for the "walk" signals to cross to or from campus in locations such as Massachusetts Ave. at Ward Circle or on Nebraska Ave. HAWK (High-Intensity Activated crossWalK) signals, such as the one midblock on Nebraska Ave. were installed to improve pedestrian safety. Vehicular traffic on Nebraska Ave. stops for pedestrians only when the "walk" button is pressed. Drivers and pedestrians, please be courteous and continue to pay attention to signals and exhibit caution.

Good Neighbor Parking Policy

In accordance with Washington, DC regulations and the University's "Good Neighbor Policy," all guests, students, faculty, and staff driving to campus are required to park on campus with the appropriate parking pass or pay-as-you-go payment. Parking is prohibited on all neighborhood streets while visiting any university property. Abiding by this policy is a condition of enrollment and employment with American University.