Fall Traffic Update

As the new academic year begins and traffic congestion increases, please anticipate delays when driving and parking on campus. To travel with minimal impact, here are some helpful suggestions:

- Adjust your commute times to avoid turning left from Campus Drive onto East or West Peltason Drives, as those turn lanes are often congested.
- Use alternate lanes and entrances to parking structures to avoid congestion at kiosks.
- Lots CT and 36 have space available throughout the day with Anteater Express shuttle service from these areas to the campus core. For information on stops and schedules, visit http://www.shuttle.uci.edu/.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation in helping maintain a safe transition into the new school year.

New Bike Paths Open

Two recently-constructed bike paths will help provide safe and convenient access to the UC Irvine campus for bicyclists and pedestrians. UC Irvine, using a CalTrans Bicycle Transportation grant, has recently opened these new pathways, including a 11-foot-wide lighted off-street bicycle pathway along Campus Drive, which connects with two pre-existing ones to provide a continuous route to UCI from the surrounding residential communities.

Take Metrolink For Your Next Destination

Metrolink representatives and T&DS staff created the following how-to video on getting to UCI by train. See how you can take the Metrolink Orange Line anywhere from Los Angeles to Oceanside.

Summer Maintenance Program

Transportation & Distribution Services’ maintenance crew worked throughout the summer on campus parking lot and bikeway improvements in preparation for the upcoming school year. The improvements included asphalt sealing, paving, and repainting. The following images depict the various procedures in asphalt maintenance:

Ride OCTA during Rideshare Week

Rideshare Week, the Orange County Transportation Authority’s (OCTA) annual campaign to promote the benefits of using alternate transportation modes, will be held October 7 through October 11, 2013. For daily bus commuters, this is a great opportunity to renew your University Pass membership, available for purchase at the T&DS office at a discounted price of $169. Or you can purchase a 30-Day pass for $69. And for first-time bus riders who are looking for a way to support Rideshare Week, T&DS offers the 1-Day Pass ($5), which allows for unlimited rides on normal OCTA routes for a one-day period, and the new 5-Rides pass ($9), which has no expiration date.

Be sure to stop by T&DS - located on the second floor of the Public Services Building - to purchase the bus pass that best suits your Rideshare Week transit needs.

Coming Soon: A New Public Safety Volunteer Program

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