getting around

HOW TO GET TO CAMPUS

ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSIT
AC Transit is the local bus service in and around Berkeley. Among common bus lines that go to campus are the #51B, down College and University avenues, the #40, which goes Bancroft, and the #67, which goes into the Berkeley Hills and out toward Albany and El Cerrito. The “Trip Planner” is especially useful. Registered UC Berkeley students can get a “class pass” sticker which allows them to ride AC Transit for free (see pt.berkeley.edu). UC Berkeley employees can obtain a “Bear Pass” for unlimited AC Transit rides for a cost of $34/month (see pt.berkeley.edu).

BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT (BART)
BART is the local subway system that links the west bay area (San Francisco/Colma) with the east bay area (Oakland, Berkeley and points south, north and east). There is a BART link to San Francisco International Airport. The Oakland Airport is linked to BART by a shuttle bus that takes passengers to the Oakland Coliseum BART station, which goes to downtown Berkeley and the UC Berkeley campus via the Richmond line.

BICYCLE
Bicycle riding is an easy and inexpensive way to get around town, although the Berkeley Hills can prove daunting to all but the most athletic! Several streets have designated bike lanes, and the City has mapped popular routes with purple and white signage.

BEAR TRANSIT
Getting around campus is easy with a variety of Campus Shuttles that go around the campus perimeter. There is also a H-line that takes passengers to the Space Sciences Laboratory and the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute. (Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory has its own shuttle service from downtown Berkeley.) Night shuttles are also available. The campus night escort “walk” service (dial (510) 642-9255) is available for anyone requesting a walking escort to a nearby residence, public transportation or parking facility. There are also shuttles to the Richmond Field Station. Most services are either free or available for a nominal fee. Information can be found at pt.berkeley.edu/around/transit/routes.

INTER-CAMPUS BUS SERVICE
Bus services are available between UC Berkeley and UC Davis and UC Berkeley and Mills College. See information here: pt.berkeley.edu.

RIDESHARE SERVICES
There are also private, on-demand services for getting around, such as Lyft (lyft.com) and Uber (uber.com).

AMTRAK
The “Capitol Corridor” train runs between Sacramento and San Jose several times a day, with stops in Davis and Berkeley. For information, call 1-800-USA-RAIL or go to the web site at amtrak.com.

AUTOMOBILE
Commuting by car can be difficult because parking near campus is scarce. A University parking permit is not a guarantee of parking, particularly if you come to work after 8:45 a.m. For parking information, contact the University’s Parking & Transportation department at 510-642-4283 or visit the website at pt.berkeley.edu. The City CarShare program offers an opportunity for participants to obtain vehicles for use from a variety of parking lots in the Bay Area, including one of the UC Berkeley parking lots. For more information, go online to citycarshare.org.

Check out the following links for your entire trip-planning needs:

- 511.org
- nextbus.com

There are also a number of apps available for your smartphone.