Cycling Basics

Bike safe, bike smart.

Gear up

Always wear a helmet. Make sure your bike has both a front and back light so you stay visible in traffic.

Ride safely and follow the law

Cyclists must follow the same road rules as vehicles. Learn The League of American Bicyclists' rules of the road at **bikeleague.org/ridesmart**.

Register with TUPD

Registering your bike can deter theft and help the Tufts Police identify it if it is stolen. To learn more about theft prevention and how to register visit **go.tufts.edu/bikeregistration**.

Secure your bike

U-locks are the most effective way to protect your bike from theft. Always pass the lock through your bike's frame, and also try to secure the wheels when possible. U-locks can be purchased from the Tufts Bookstore.



Get rewards.

Bav State Commute

Get rewarded for taking greener trips with Bay State Commute whenever you avoid using a car



(walk, bike, telecommute, carpool, vanpool, take a subway, train, bus, ferry, or even work a condensed work week). Redeem the points for discounts at local and online establishments at *baystatecommute.com/tufts*.

Bicycle Benefits

Get discounts at local retailers such as Union Square Donuts, Taza Chocolate, and Dave's Fresh Pasta just for riding your bike. Visit **bicyclebenefits.org**.

Explore the area.

Head down to Davis Square to hop on the 10 mile Minuteman Bikeway, which also passes through Arlington, Lexington, and Bedford. Learn more at *minutemanbikeway*.org. Other nearby destinations include the Mystic Lakes, the Middlesex Fells Reservation, and Assembly Row.

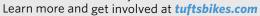
Did you know? Many Red Line T-stops like Alewife, Porter, and Harvard, are just a short bike ride away!



Bike Resources

Get to know Tufts Bikes.

Tufts Bikes is a student-run organization aimed at promoting bike culture at the university.



Free Bikeshare

The student-run bikeshare consists of 24 bicycles available for rental at the Tisch Library circulation desk. Bikes and helmets are checked out just like library books, and can be kept for up to 8 hours. Visit *tuftsbikes.com/how-it-works* for details.

Repair Shop

Tufts Bikes has a fully equipped bike repair shop located in the garage of **28 Sawyer Ave.** Bring in your bike during mechanic hours, and a Tufts Bikes mechanic will help you fix it for free. Visit *tuftsbikes.com/bike-shop* for hours, workshops, and more.

Mayer Campus Center FixIt Station

Tufts' outdoor FixIt Station has all of the bike tools needed to perform routine maintenance and basic repairs. Stop by to inflate your tires, adjust your brakes, or tune your derailleur. Don't know how to fix your own bike? Stop by the repair shop to learn from student mechanics, or check out the Office of Sustainability's video tutorials: bit.ly/tuftsbikestutorials

Map your route.

Trailmap allows you to view all of the different types of bike and pedestrian paths in the Greater Boston Metro Area. These trails include paved paths, unimproved paths, bike lanes, protected bike lanes, and more. To start mapping out your bike commute, visit **trailmap.mapc.org**.

Bike share.

BLUEbikes.

Bluebikes is a bike share program available in Somerville, Cambridge, Boston, Brookline, and Everett. There are more than 3,000 bicycles at over 300 stations throughout the Boston area. Any employee or student at Tufts University is eligible for a nearly 50% discount on an annual Bluebikes membership. For more information visit *qo.tufts.edu/bluebikes*.

Bike Guide

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