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.

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Bike Resources

**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 sharing systems.**

**BLUEbikes.**

Blue Bikes 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. Single trip, 24-hour, monthly, and annual passes are available. For more information on usage, safety, pricing, and to download the app, go to bluebikes.com.

**Join the Boston Cyclists Union.**

**Boston Cyclists Union** BCU aims to create more equitable, people-centered public spaces. They also advocate for a greater, improved network of safe, protected infrastructure. Sign-up to join the Boston Cyclists Union and receive discounts at local businesses! For more information visit bostoncyclistsunion.org.

**Get rewards.**

**RideAmigos** RideAmigos has partnered with ABC TMA to provide commuter benefits to those who switch to sustainable commuting options. Use the RideAmigos app to log the miles you bike as part of your sustainable commute! Biking more miles can win you monthly raffles for gift cards, gear, and more. These benefits are only available to Tufts employees. For more information visit abctma.com.

**Bicycle Benefits** Get discounts at local retailers such as Union Square Donuts at Boston Public Market, Community Bicycle Supply Inc, Rock Spot Climbing, and Trident Booksellers and Cafe just for riding your bike. For more information visit bicyclebenefits.org.

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**Did you know?** Many T-stops like the Boylston Green Line and Park Street Red/Green Line are just a short bike ride away!
Tufts Bike Map
Boston Health Sciences Campus

Legend
- Showers & changing rooms
- Bike racks
- Covered bike racks
- Bike lanes or sharrows
- Tufts Police
- Blue Bikes
- TUPD

Have your own bike? For a refundable $3 cash deposit, purchase a key to the secure bike parking cage under the 274 Tremont St. garage. For more information visit go.tufts.edu/bikes.

All Bikes Must Be Registered online with TUPD
Register your bike with the Boston Campus Police Office by visiting go.tufts.edu/bikeregistration and completing the Bicycle Registration Form.

The Tauber Fitness Center is free for all registered Boston Campus students. Staff and Faculty must pay a $25/month fee for use of these facilities. *The Fitness Center is currently closed due to COVID-19

The Posner Hall shower is located on the lower level across from the weight room. *Posner Hall is only accessible with TUPD ID access approval. When using the bathroom, lock the door.

Shower Alternatives
- Bring a change of clothes
- Bring a hand towel to wipe off after your ride
- Use saddlebags or bike panniers to carry your items instead of a backpack.

Bike Shops Near Campus
- Community Bike Supply (Tremont St.)
- Urban Cycles (Atlantic Ave.)
- Loud Bicycle (Milk St.)
- Papa Wheelies Back Bay (Commonwealth Ave.)

Bike Info Online, Anytime
To see the most up-to-date information on biking at Tufts, visit go.tufts.edu/bikes.

*Please note that the information provided is subject to change and it is always best to check the latest updates from Tufts University.