

Cycling At UF

A Gold Level Bicycle Friendly University

Goals

Make cycling safer

Make cycling more accessible

Make cycling more appealing

Become a Platinum Bicycle Friendly University

Support the 5 E's of Cycling Programming

Education

Encouragement

Equity

Evaluation & Planning

Engineering



Infrastructure Overview

- ► 13+ Miles of Bike Lanes
 - > ~90% of all roads on campus
- 31 Self-Service Stations
 - Maintained by Housing & Student Affairs
- Secure Bicycle Parking Facility
 - Located at Garage 14
 - Card swipe access with UF ID
 - ► E-Bike Charging 12 spots
 - 42 total parking spots
 - Gear lockers

- ▶ 13,000+ Bike Parking Spots
 - Nearly all buildings feature bike racks near entrances
 - ▶ 10% Covered bicycle parking
- New Infrastructure
 - Gateways per TPSP
 - Sharrows
 - Re-striping
 - Ped/Bike Campus Core Project
- Campus Map Layers
 - ► Fix-It Stations
 - Bicycle Parking

Programming Overview

- Gator Gears Student Bike Rental
 - 250 bike fleet
 - > \$55/semester (\$90/\$120)
 - Repairs/helmet/lock included
- Department Bike Share
 - ▶ 90 Participating Departments
 - 25 Departments on Waitlist
 - Repairs/helmet/lock included
- Classes & Workshops
 - Tube & Tire Repair
 - Intro To Commuter Bicycle Maintenance
 - Smart Cycling

- Classes & Workshops Cont'd
 - Bike Security Demo
 - Fix-It Station Session
- Events
 - Campus Bike Month
 - ► Light & Helmet Giveaway
 - Bicycle Safety Check
 - Love To Ride FL Challenge
- Services
 - Abandoned Bicycle Removal
 - Free Bicycle Registration
 - Commuter Support Service

Abandoned Bicycles

- Goals
 - Ensure parking availability
 - Reduce theft targets
 - Improve campus appearance
- 2019 Program Revisions
 - Monthly pick-ups covering all of campus each year
 - Close coordination with UF Housing
 - Defined criteria for identifying abandoned bicycles
 - Added forms to bikes.ufl.edu
- Outcomes
 - Significant reduction in number of bicycles collected
 - Reduced staff time in oversight and execution

Process

- Tag bikes in designated areas based on established criteria
- ► Tags left in place at least 5 days, often over a week
- Owners may remove tags to signify bicycle is not abandoned
- Bicycles with tags in place are cut and stored at UF Surplus
- All owners of registered bicycles are contacted and given at least thirty days to claim their bicycle
 - Non-registered bicycles may be claimed using online form
- Unclaimed bicycles become property of UF and are diverted to DBS or sold at public auction

Micromobility & Personal E-Scooters

- Micromobility
 - Operates under MOU with city
 - Three vendors
 - Spin
 - Bird
 - Veo
 - Devices are rented and charged an unlock fee + time length of ride
 - GPS Restricted parking on campus
 - Physical infrastructure reinforces boundaries
 - ► GPS Speed Restriction & No-Ride Zones
 - Overall positive experience working with vendors

- Personal E-Scooters
 - Policy is under review for adoption
 - Enforced as bicycles
 - Expected to observe low-speed and noride zones
 - Parking at bicycle racks
 - Charging and indoor storage policy to be determined by EHS
 - ► TAPS to enforce parking violations
 - UFPD to enforce moving violations



Commuter Support Program

- One-on-one counseling for bicycle commuters
 - Route-finding
 - Bicycle friendly routes
 - Guided rides
 - Choosing a bicycle and accessories
 - ► Consultation & shopping guidance
 - Connecting with campus resources
 - Safe cycling classes
 - ► Bicycle maintenance classes
 - ► Free lights & Helmets
 - ► Free bicycle registration
 - Average 1-2 inquiries each month

Department Bicycle Share Program

- Bicycle provided to departments for on/near-campus use
 - Not intended for day-to-day personal commuting
- Bicycles are diverted from abandoned stock and refurbished
- Includes a lock and helmet(s)
- Includes customization to meet needs (racks/baskets/etc)
- Includes free repair and maintenance
- 90 bikes currently issued
- 25 in waitlist queue
- Approximately 1-year wait at this time

E-Bikes

- Departments across campus are beginning to fund their own e-bike purchases
 - Facilities Services 5
 - Sustainability 3
 - **CWC 2**
- Consistent e-bike availability has been a barrier to establishing a supplier relationship
 - REI has provided most recent purchases
 - ▶ 10% corporate buy discount
 - Certified e-bike service available at store

- Future Programming Ideas
 - E-Bike Department Pilot
 - Purchase small fleet to lend to departments to provide e-bike experience
 - Encourage department purchase of ebikes
 - E-Bike Micromobility
 - Model similar to current e-scooter fleet available on campus with outside vendor
 - ► E-Bike IC Replacement Pilot
 - Purchase lot of e-bikes and offer in exchange for removal of fleet IC motor vehicles by departments

Future Programming Goals

- Digital Bicycle Registration
 - Easier information access
 - Bike photo included
 - National stolen bicycle alert
 - Abandoned bicycle program improvement
- Improved Commuter Support
 - Parking space buy-out
 - Free daily parking passes
 - ► Free emergency rides
 - Bike purchase support
- Campus Bicycle Master Plan
 - Create roadmap for advancing cycling on campus
 - Build administrative buy-in

- Expand Education Opportunities
 - ► More frequent & varied classes
 - Motorist education programming
 - Rec Sports classes
 - Phys Ed classes for credit
- Expand Engagement Opportunities
 - Host group rides
 - More frequent encouragement events
 - Volunteer opportunities
- Infrastructure Improvements
 - ▶ 15 MPH campus-wide speed limit
 - Cyclist sensing traffic lights
 - Protected bike lanes & paths
 - Wayfinding

Upcoming Events

- ► Love To Ride Florida Challenge October 21- November 30
 - Compete with other universities and organizations across Florida
 - ▶ All rides count; casual, commute, exercise, stationary
 - Starts tomorrow!
- Smart Cycling Course Saturday, November 5
 - "Classroom" portion completed online at League of American Bicyclists web site
 - In-person on-bike class
 - ▶ Handling skills, emergency maneuvers, real world scenario navigation
- Light & Helmet Giveaway Thursday, November 10
 - Turlington Plaza
 - Free lights, helmets and bike registration
 - Partnership with UFPD

Thank you!

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