



Five Easy Ways to be a Green Commuter

Use the following information and resources to bus, carpool, bike, or walk to campus.
Or, mix and match for a customized commute.

Bus

La Crosse MTU provides safe and convenient public transportation for the La Crosse area.

- Western Technical College is on a bus route
- Western staff ride for free with a current staff ID
- Buses run every half hour through La Crosse, French Island, and a portion of Onalaska
- Buses run every hour through La Crescent
- MTU buses are handicap accessible
- You can put your bike on the bus

For a route map, timetables, and to find out how to put your bike on the bus, see:

www.cityoflacrosse.org/index.aspx?nid=19

Or, click on the “it’s Easy Being Green” icon on the Western home page. Click on: Livewell. Click on: Transportation. There, find the links to MTU.

Public transportation in Onalaska and Holmen is provided by Onalaska/Holmen Public Transit (OHPT). The shared ride taxi service hours are 6:30AM-7:00PM, seven days a week. Service can be obtained by calling OHPT at (608) 784-0000. Adult fare is \$3.00. For complete details, see: www.cityoflacrosse.org/index.aspx?NID=151

Carpool

Find other commuters you can car pool with at these two Web sites:

- www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/commuter/rs-index.htm
- www.erideshare.com
- www.rideshareetc.org

A common meeting place for area carpoolers is the West Salem park and ride lot. For a map, see: www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/parkride/lacrosse.htm

Bike

To find a safe and convenient bike route to campus, see the La Crosse Area Bike Map:

www.lapc.org/Content/Plans/Bicycle%20Plan/Route%20Maps.htm

This map is also on display in the lobby of the La Crosse Transit Center, between Third and Fourth and Jay and King Streets.

For county bike maps, see:

www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/bike-foot/countymaps.htm

You can shower at the Wellness Center after your ride. A shower pass is a dollar, or ten dollars for a punch card. This gives you access to the locker room and a towel rental. No membership needed!

For tips on making your commute safe, see:

www.dot.wisconsin.gov/safety/vehicle/bicycle/index.htm

Walk

Walking is simple. If you are thinking about walking to work, consider these tips on pedestrian safety:

www.dot.wisconsin.gov/safety/motorist/pedestrians/rules.htm

You can shower at the Wellness Center after your walk. A shower pass is a dollar, or ten dollars for a punch card. This gives you access to the locker room and a towel rental. No membership needed!

Mix 'n Match

- Ride your bike part way to work and finish your trip aboard a bus, or take the bus one way and ride your bike home.
- Drive your car to the Valley View Mall Park 'n ride, and take the bus to campus. Traditionally, parking for commuters is the lot by the stop sign at Sears. The bus stop is at door 4, between JC Penney and Herbergers on the east side of the mall.
- Take the bus route nearest you as close to campus as possible, and, instead of transferring buses, finish your route on foot.