

GOODBYE TO FACULTY & STAFF PARKING LOT H HELLO TO ACADEMIC VII BUILDING

What are my Parking & Transportation options now?

With the University's announcement regarding the new home for the College of Health & Human Services (Academic VII), Parking Lot H will be soon be closed. Design and construction details are being finalized so Parking Services has not been provided with exact dates but we have developed some contingencies in conjunction with your Parking Advisory Committee. Here are some parking options available to you starting with those options closest to Lot H:

Parking Options

General Lot Parking Permit: If you already have a General Lot permit and wish to keep it there is no need to change your permit. With a General Lot permit you are able to park in any of the non-restricted Faculty/Staff and Student parking areas on the Fairfax or SciTech campuses. This includes Lots A, C, K, L, M, O, P, the general areas of the Rappahannock River Deck (1/2 of 1st level, all of 2nd level, and the ramp leading up to the 3rd level), the outer edges of Lots I and J, and Lot D (Krasnow). If you are eligible and have not already done so please consider signing up for our Payroll Deduction program. A General Faculty/Staff parking permit will cost \$16.25/pay check paid bi-monthly and \$390.00 per year if paid in a lump sum.

Rappahannock River Faculty/Staff Reserved Area: You are always guaranteed a parking space within the gated area of Level 3 of the Rappahannock River Parking Deck when you own a Rappahannock River Faculty/Staff reserved parking permit. You will not have to search for a parking space when you come back to campus during your business day or come to campus late from an off-campus meeting. Level 3 is a covered parking area and is a short walk to many locations including Alan & Sally Merten Hall. This parking permit is also valid in any of the General area parking lots on the Fairfax campus as well as the Science & Technology campus (formerly Prince William). This parking permit is not valid in the General parking area of the Rappahannock River Parking Deck. A Rappahannock River Faculty/Staff reserved parking permit will cost \$22.92/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$550.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

Rappahannock River Faculty/Staff Roof Only Reserved: A new parking permit option developed in conjunction with the Parking Advisory Committee guarantees Faculty & Staff members a parking space on the uncovered roof (Level 5) of the Rappahannock River Deck. A short walk to many locations including Alan & Sally Merten Hall, this parking permit is also valid in any of the General area parking lots on the Fairfax campus as well as the Science & Technology campus (formerly Prince William). This parking permit is not valid elsewhere in the Rappahannock River Parking Deck. A Rappahannock River Faculty/Staff Roof Only reserved parking permit will cost \$19.79/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$475.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

Lot I Reserved: The Lot I reserved parking permit offers great access to Thompson Hall, Aquia Building, Krug Hall, East Building, and the West Building. It is convenient to Alan & Sally Merten Hall. You will be

guaranteed a parking space in the non-restricted parking spaces of Lot I. This parking permit is not valid in the designated Faculty/Staff parking spaces along the outer rim of Lot I which are first come, first served for General area parking permit owners with Faculty or Staff status. It is only valid in General areas outside of Lot I from 5-11pm Monday – Friday and all day on weekends. A Lot I reserved parking permit will cost \$22.92/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$550.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

Lot J Reserved: Lot J is conveniently located next to the RAC (Recreation and Athletic Complex) and across the pond from Center for the Arts/Concert Hall, de Laski Performing Arts Building, Mason Hall, College Hall, the Music/Theater building, Innovation Hall and the Johnson Center. You will be guaranteed a parking space in the non-restricted parking spaces of Lot J. This parking permit is not valid in the designated Faculty/Staff parking spaces along the outer rim of Lot J which are first come, first served for General area parking permit owners with Faculty or Staff status. It is only valid in General areas outside of Lot I from 5-11pm Monday – Friday and all day on weekends. A Lot J reserved parking permit will cost \$20.83/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$500.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

Lot M&P (Field House): A great low cost option and a short walk to Thompson Hall or a shuttle ride across Ox Rd/Route 123 to the East Campus. The Mason shuttles run every 15 minutes during peak times (7-10am and 3-6pm Monday through Friday and at 20 – 30 minutes at other times between 7am – 12am Monday – Friday). A Lot M&P parking permit will cost \$11.04/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$265.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

West Campus Parking: With regular shuttle service to and from the West Campus (a bus every 15 minutes during peak times) the West Campus is our lowest cost option. By utilizing the Mason Mobile application you can find out exactly where the shuttle is and the estimated time of arrival. A West Campus parking permit will cost \$6.25/pay check for those eligible and paid bi-monthly and \$150.00 per year if paid in lump sum.

Benefits of a Reserved Parking Permit

Reserved parking permits reduce the time spent looking for a parking space, reduce traffic on campus, reduce carbon emissions and offer the greatest flexibility for parking here at George Mason University. If you have a reserved parking permit you are guaranteed a parking space. While we do not anticipate it will be the same parking space every day, we will guarantee you a parking space within your reserved area. While there is enough General area permit parking to accommodate all Faculty, Staff and students convenient parking does fill up quickly. By having a reserved parking permit, you guarantee yourself easier access to many essential buildings.

ANOTHER BENEFIT FOR ELIGIBLE FACULTY & STAFF

Payroll Deduction

If you are eligible and have not yet signed up to have your fees for parking deducted directly from your paycheck prior to calculation of your payroll related taxes, we urge you to do so. Over 3,400 of our eligible Faculty & Staff members utilize this process. Payroll deduction parking permits provide the

greatest flexibility and receive the highest priority when maximum capacity is reached within a parking permit category. If you wish to take advantage of this process please email msolomo8@gmu.edu or parking@gmu.edu

Already have a Payroll Deduction permit and wish to change it?

If you already have a Payroll Deduction permit (PRFF, PRD1, PRD2, PRD3) and want to change it just follow these simple steps. Bring your Payroll Permit into Parking Services. There are five minute spaces just outside of the office or if those are taken you can park in the visitor section of the Shenandoah Parking Deck for up to 30 minutes without paying. Once you are there ask for Milliana Solomon our Payroll Coordinator, if she is unavailable any of the accounting staff can help you out. You will be issued a new permit and you are on your way. Also if you are eligible for a permit you can use payroll deduction to pay for it.

ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Carpooling Options

Carpool Zones: Two carpool zones are available, one in Lot A and another one on the first level of the Rappahannock River Deck general permit area. To park in a carpool zone, show up between 6am-11am Monday-Friday with 2 or more people in your car and a general student or faculty/staff permit and you can park in carpool spaces we are set aside each morning. No special permit as we will have a parking officer to screen vehicles. It's first come first serve. More information is available at <http://transportation.gmu.edu/lota.html>.

Premium Carpool Program: Employees can also receive a 20%-40% rebate in a reserved parking deck or Lot I or Lot J permit for carpooling, this includes the Level 3 Reserved and Roof Only Reserved options inside the Rappahannock River Deck. Visit <http://transportation.gmu.edu/employeespool.html> for more information.

Carpool Preferred Parking: This program allows employees to park in designated parking spaces that are conveniently located in lots and decks. Visit <http://transportation.gmu.edu/employeespool.html> for more information.

Zimride: To find a carpool partner you can use Zimride-a ridesharing program that helps match people with similar commutes to and from campus. Sign up with your Mason Net ID and password at <http://zimride.gmu.edu/>

Zipcar-wheels when you want them. Two cars located on Mason Pond Drive and one on the first level of the Rappahannock River Deck are available for rental by the hour. For info and to sign up for Mason discounts for Zipcar, go to <http://zipcar.com/gmu>.

Mason Shuttles and CueBus

Mason Shuttles currently has six routes and provides service to popular destinations such as Vienna Metro, SciTech Campus, Burke Centre VRE, West Campus, and regional malls. Check the Mason Shuttles website at <http://shuttle.gmu.edu> for information on shuttle schedules, routes, etc. The **Mason to Metro shuttle** is the most popular route and provides service from the Fairfax campus to the Vienna Metro station runs continuously with buses every 15 to 30 minutes. The **Metro Express shuttle** provides direct service between the Rappahannock River Lane stop and Vienna Metro Monday-Thursday and

limited hours on Friday. The **CUE Bus** is free with Mason ID and provides service from and to the Rappahannock River Lane stop throughout the City and to Vienna Metro. Check www.cuebus.org for schedules.