

BIKE SHARING



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WHAT IS DOCKLESS BIKE SHARING?

- A system where bicycles are available to the public in Champaign-Urbana to use for short time periods.
- Bicycles are self-locking, accessed via smartphones, and GPS-tracked.
- There are no docking stations, like with Chicago's Divvy system. Instead, dockless bicycles can be found and parked at any designated bike parking area.

WHAT ARE THE USER BENEFITS?

- Bike Share companies provide the bicycles and handle all the maintenance, so there are no worries or hassles.
- Champaign, Urbana, and the University are *Bicycle Friendly* as recognized by the League of American Bicyclists, so users can travel quickly and safely all year.



- Bike Share prices range anywhere from \$0.50 to \$2.00 per hour depending on the company.
- Students, staff, and faculty have been requesting a Bike Sharing system since 2007.

HOW DO YOU USE THE SERVICE?

1. **Download the App:** Each bike share company offers a smartphone app. Once downloaded, you will provide contact and payment information.
2. **Select a Bicycle:** Use the app or look around to locate a bicycle from that company. Enter the bicycle's unique ID into the app to unlock the bike.
3. **Enjoy your Ride:** Travel to your destination, following all the rules of the road.
4. **Park the Bicycle:** Place the bicycle in a designated bike parking area, on or off campus. Be sure to go back into the app to end your ride to stop paying the associated usage fee.



WHAT ARE THE CAMPUS BENEFITS?

- There is no direct cost to the cities or university.
- Encouraging active transportation (bicycling, walking, taking the bus) reduces vehicle traffic, which increases safety, health, and sustainability for students, employees, and visitors.
- Achieves a Campus Bicycle Plan objective and supports 2015 Illinois Climate Action Plan goals.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR DOCKLESS BICYCLE COMPANIES?

- Required to get a city permit and a campus concession agreement.
- Allowed to manage no more than 500 bicycles.
- Will provide a 24/7 customer service hotline for reporting issues, such as bicycle damage or improper parking.
- Must address issues within three hours during peak times, and within 12 hours all other times.

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SAFETY TIPS



- Wear a helmet
- Yield to pedestrians
- Stop at all red lights and stop signs
- Ride in the direction of traffic on roads and pathways
- Conduct a pre-ride check by assessing tire pressure, and at night checking the head and tail lights
- Indicate turns by using designated hand signals
- Anticipate sudden pedestrian and vehicular traffic movements

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