

# University of Illinois Transportation

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The University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana campus covers 9.9 miles of land to cover the entire campus. To go along with that it holds over 44,000 students that attend and live on campus every semester.

With the large population and enormous campus the bus systems plays be a vital part of a students success. Wither it's getting to class on time or simply walking to your dorm, transportation is one of the most crucial and vital pieces of a college campus.

The only problem is, how are students supposed to be aware of the bus system if the University never communicates information about how the bus work, witch bus goes where, and many other question new students may have.

Barrett Innes, a freshman engineering student spoke on this issue, “ When I got to campus, I has no idea what buses to hop on.” Said Innes, “It took me about a month to figure it out and by that time I wasted so much money and time on different forms of transportation.”

Illinois has made no effort whatsoever to help students with learning the bus systems, and that “let them figure it out” mantallity has been a real struggle for students across campus. Many students have walked over 30 minutes to get to a certain destination and have even missed class because, they got on the wrong bus.

Freshman Keagan Bachara, lives in the FAR/PAR residence halls on campus. Witch are located on Florida ave, which is the farest street on campus. Many students who live in these halls depend on the bus every single day.

“I quickly learned when I arrived on campus that the buses were going to be a big part of how I get places.” Said Bachara, “But it took a while to get into the flow of the system and had no idea who to ask for help.”

The University of Illinois needs to put more of an emphasis on letting students aware of the system and how it can help them get across campus. Especially because, most freshman on campus do not have a car or bike with them on campus, walking and busing are there only options.