

# **UAB STUDENT RIDESHARE FAQS**

What is the UAB Student Rideshare Program? The UAB Student Rideshare Program is a service provided by UAB Parking and Transportation Services. Students register with the rideshare program, and agree to participate and promote carpooling and other alternative modes of travel. Students who participate in the rideshare program will receive an incentive to encourage carpooling as an alternative to driving alone.

Who can participate? Both full-time and part-time UAB Students who are currently enrolled in classes on campus may sign up to participate in the Student Rideshare program. Students must register with UAB Parking and Transportation Services, identify their carpool partner(s), and record and report the number of days they carpool on a monthly basis during the academic term of participation. Participants must carpool at least eight or more times during the month (two times a week) to be eligible to receive incentives. Students register with the program one-time, and must inform UAB's Parking and Transportation Services at the end of each academic term if they plan to continue participating in the program for the next academic term.

Why participate in the Student Rideshare Program? Because parking on UAB's campus is limited. UAB is a hub of activity for not only students, but for the entire Birmingham region. Located just south of the region's center of finance and government, UAB is at the heart of a concentration of world renowned hospitals and medical research facilities. The university itself is one of the fastest growing in the nation. While your classes may stress you out, getting to class on time can be a breeze.

What are the incentives? Students who register with the UAB Student Rideshare Program are eligible to purchase reserved parking spaces. These spaces, located near or next to academic buildings, are being provided exclusively for carpools. CommuteSmart Birmingham will offer quarterly incentives to commuters that carpool, walk bicycle, or take transit to UAB. They will also be launching an exciting new program that will get commuters to stop driving alone and start sharing the ride! Please go to CommuteSmart's website, www.commutesmart.org, to learn about their current commuter incentive programs. To speak to an outreach coordinator call 1-87-RIDEMATCH and learn how you can save money on your daily commute.

How do I register for the program?

- 1.) Read the Carpool Program Guidelines
- 2.) Read and sign the attached waiver
- 3.) Complete a rideshare application

Complete the entire application form and indicate the individual(s) who will join your carpool or request a rideshare match. One member of the carpool group will be registered as the primary member and will receive the financial benefit. Other members of the carpool will be registered as secondary members. You can also visit the UAB Parking and Transportation Services web page at www.parking.uab.edu to link with online ridematching services provided by CommuteSmart, the Birmingham region's rideshare program.

How do I receive the incentive? Once you have registered you will receive a tracking form to record your carpool activity. If a form is needed, please visit the UAB Parking and Transportation web page or call the UAB Parking and Transportation Services office to obtain a copy. Submit the completed tracking form to the Parking and Transportation Services office by the last day of each month.

# STUDENT RIDESHARE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Parking and Transportation Services ~ 608 8TH Street South, Birmingham, AL 35294-4550 ~ 205-934-3513

### **Guidelines for UAB Students**

University support of transportation alternatives can have a big impact on a student's travel mode to and from school. CommuteSmart Rideshare provides an incentive to students who commute to school in a carpool arrangement rather than driving alone.

### University/School Responsibilities

- UAB will provide "Reserved Parking" for students who carpool to and from the UAB campus on a semester basis.
- Each carpool secondary member will receive four (4) emergency passes to use each semester.
- The cost of the parking permit will be divided among the carpool participants and billed to their respective students accounts.
- UAB will appoint a contact person who will maintain program paperwork and inform students of the program on an ongoing basis.
- UAB agrees to conduct a survey of participants at the end of the ozone season with a guarantee of at least 60 percent return rate of those students who participated in the Carpool program.

### Student Responsibilities

- Be a full-time, part-time, commuting student at UAB.
- Carpool at least two times per week to receive the Rideshare incentives (eight working days per month for a four-month period).
- Sign and return the Acknowledgement Form and rideshare application promptly.
- Complete and submit the program Participation Tracking Form each month to the CommuteSmart Rideshare
  office. If a form is needed, participant should call the Rideshare office to obtain/request a copy at 205-2648449 or 1-87-RIDEMATCH.
- May not be a participant in the CommuteSmart Vanpool Program.
- Must complete the program survey at the conclusion of the program.

### CommuteSmart Rideshare Responsibilities

- Provide an emergency ride home for those who sign up for the service.
- Provide program forms and promotional materials.
- Conduct a student survey of students who participate in the Commute Smart Carpool program.

### STUDENT RIDESHARE APPLICATION FORM

Name	
Male Female	
Application for Semester:	
Summer 20 Fall/Winter 20 Spring 20	
Where I Live – Street Address (No P.O. boxes or route numbers, please)	
City	
State Zip	
Home County	
Home Telephone	
Cell: Fax:	
Email:	
Do you have a carpool partner? YES/NO	
If so, what is their name?	
Who is the Primary Driver in your carpool?	
Would you like to be contacted at home, by cell phone, or wor others interested in rideshare?	k by
Home Work Neither	
Nearest major intersections to your home?	
Nearest major intersections to your school/primary class buildi	ng?
Class Schedule: Start Time am	/ pm
Stop Time am	
How flexible is your schedule? Not at all 15	
30 Min 60	) Min.
How did you hear about UAB's Student Carpool Program?	
I am most interested in: Carpool Vanpool	
Transit Biking Walking	
I am interested in vanpooling and volunteer to be a:	
DriverBackup DriverPassenger	Only
Registered UAB Rideshare Program participants are eligible an emergency ride home in the event of an emergency.	
Register me for the Emergency Ride Home	

(emergency transportation): ☐ YES

## **Student Agreement and Participation Form**

- I, the undersigned, acknowledge that I have read, understand, and will abide by the rules of the CommuteSmart Carpool Challenge as specified in the Program Guidelines. Further, I acknowledge and understand that inappropriate use of this service or failure to abide by the Program Guidelines will result in forfeiture of any claim for financial incentive for participating students of University of Alabama at Birmingham.
- I, the undersigned, acknowledge and understand that participation in the University of Alabama at Birmingham Student Carpool Program, the CommuteSmart Rideshare Carpool Challenge, and other Rideshare Programs is solely voluntary and that my participation does not in any manner imply that I am acting in the course and scope of official UAB business, nor does it in any manner establish a university-student, employer-employee, or agency-student relationship with the University of Alabama at Birmingham, CommuteSmart Rideshare, VPSI Inc., or the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham. I acknowledge that it is the responsibility of myself and/or the owner of the vehicle to provide adequate liability insurance in accordance with the State of Alabama Mandatory Automobile Insurance Law.
- I, the undersigned, fully understand and upon affixing my signature request permission to participate in the UAB Student Rideshare Program whose administrative and programmatic services are supported by the CommuteSmart Rideshare Program, and do hereby assume full responsibility for liability and all risk of injury or loss including death, which may result from my participation in this program and hereby agree to hold harmless, release, waive and forever discharge and covenants not to sue or bring claims against the my Employer, CommuteSmart Rideshare Program, VPSI Inc., or the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham, their officers, agents and/or employees from any and all claims and demands whatsoever which I, the undersigned, or any third party and representative thereof may have against the University of Alabama at Birmingham, CommuteSmart Rideshare Program, VPSI Inc., my Employer, or the Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham, its officers, agents and/or employees by reason of accident, illness, injury or death, or damage to or loss of property arising or resulting directly or indirectly from my participation in the UAB Student Carpool Program.

Please mail or fax your Rideshare Application to: UAB Parking and Transportation Services 608 8th Street South, Birmingham, AL 35294-4550 or fax to: (205) 975-9529

DATE

**SIGNATURE** 

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