

## Parking

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labeled at the front entrance to the lot," Stamm said.

And, if you happen to be a student who parks in a faculty/staff lot, you may find a \$20 ticket on your windshield.

Parking tickets are quite common on the University campus. According to Stamm, The Office of Public Safety gives out anywhere from 25,000- 40,000 parking tickets a year.

Citations run from \$10 all the way up to \$300 for parking in a disabled spot.

"All of the money goes back into public safety and enforcement," Stamm said. "So if you don't buy a permit and you get a ticket you are basically paying for the enforcement giving you the ticket."

Commuters who choose not to pay the high prices for permits are encouraged to find alternative ways to get to campus.

"There are always alternatives to parking on campus," Stamm said.

### Parking fines

**\$10** Overtime parking at a street meter or in a limited-time zone

**\$10** Overtime parking at a lot meter or in a twenty-four minute zone

**\$15** Failure to obtain or display permit

**\$15- \$20** Parking in No Parking zone, yellow zone, driveway or restricted area; improper parking

**\$20** Parking on landscape or sidewalk area

**\$20** Improper parking in a posted or reserved space

**\$20** Operating a motor vehicle in a restricted area.

**\$25** Failure to attach permit to vehicle for which it was purchased.

**\$30** Parking by a fire hydrant or in a posted fire lane

SOURCE: Office of Public Safety

"We encourage people to carpool, bike or walk ... we live in a tremendously alternative transportation-friendly city."

One option students can take advantage of is the Lane Transit District bus system.

"Students pay \$7 in their incidental fees which allows them to ride the bus free on days, nights and weekends when they show their student body card," Stamm said.

Another possibility that will hopefully help students get to campus faster will be the new Bus Rapid transit System from LTD.

"It is like light rail without the rail," Bus Rapid Transit Project Engineer Graham Carey said. And at a fraction of the cost.

The project has been under research for five and a half years and if all goes well, will be up and running in 2002.

The more advanced bus system would employ a number of new features like signal light priority, and would also alleviate many traffic and parking dilemmas on campus.

"It will have exclusive lanes which will make it quicker and more convenient to get downtown and to the University area," Carey said. "The pilot model will run from downtown Springfield to downtown Eugene past Franklin and 11th street."

Fares for the new more direct system are predicted to remain the same as the current LTD prices.

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