1. About a third of WCU carbon emissions are related to employee and student commuting and business travel (these were significantly eliminated during the COVID-19 pandemic, but are expected to rebound when students and employees return to campus). WCU’s carbon neutrality target commits us to reducing these as best we can.

2. Emissions from commuting and business travel are very difficult to reduce. There are not many carbon neutral forms of long-distance transportation.

3. As of Spring 2021, there are six EV charging stations on campus: two in the Sharpless Garage and four reserved for the university’s motor pool.

4. There are plans to install additional EV charging stations in the coming semesters and to make them more accessible to students and employees.

5. Bicycle racks are located everywhere on campus and some are protected from the elements to keep bikes dry in rainy weather.

6. The university has over 5,000 parking spaces on North and South campuses and different rates for surface and garage parking access.

7. Access to campus is possible by walking, bicycle, public transit buses, carpooling, driving alone, WCU shuttles (including the Uptown Loop), SEPTA and Amtrak rail w/transfer to WCU’s Exton shuttle, taxi, Lyft or Uber, and skateboarding, scooters, and other micro-mobility.

WCU TRANSPORTATION FACTS

OFFICE CHECKLIST OF TO-DOs

- We provide sign up information to our employees for Share-A-Ride, a web app that matches commuters for carpooling, transit, and bicycling
- Guests and campus visitors are informed of all transportation options to get to and from campus
- We support the use of Zoom or other web-conferencing software to allow off-campus staff/faculty to participate in meetings
- We have information posted in our office on commuting options, including WCU shuttle buses, Share-a-Ride, safe cycling routes, and public transit schedules
- At least 25% of our office or department staff commute in ways other than single occupancy vehicles
- Our office purchases carbon offsets for all business travel
- We support faculty/staff working remotely when possible
- All new hires and students are informed of their commuting options and encouraged to explore these
- We encourage walking, bicycling, and shuttle buses to our employees to get to on-campus meetings

FOR MORE INFO AND HELP

WCU Transportation and Parking Services website: wcupa.edu/transportation
WCU Shuttle Buses website: wcupa.edu/shuttle
WCU Parking Information: wcupa.edu/dps/parkingServices/
WCU Climate Action Plan: wcupa.edu/sustainability/carbonneutralityplan.aspx
Share-A-Ride (carpool, transit, and bicycling info): wcupa.edu/transportation/commuterChoices.aspx

More Green Office Program information: wcupa.edu/sustainability/greenofficeprogram