PBIC Webinar

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety on University Campuses



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Oct. 16, 1 pm



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- **⇒**Introduction and housekeeping
- **⇒** Presentations
- Questions at the end

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Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center

Dear James

Thank you for registering for "A Resident's Guide for Creating Safer Communities for Walking and Biking".

The Federal Highway Administration just released "A Resident's Guide for Creating Safer Communities for Walking and Bicycling," a free guide offering step-by-step instructions for residents and community groups looking to improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety, access, and comfort. This webinar offers an overview of the guide and will review how two communities used the principles outlined within it to make their communities more walkable and bikeable.

Tamara Redmon, with FHWA's Office of Safety, will introduce the guide and discuss how it fits within the US Department of Transportation's Safer People, Safer Streets Initiative.

Laura Sandt, with the Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center, will discuss the content of the new guide and how residents can use it.



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Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety On & Around University Campuses



Robert J. Schneider, PhD, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Department of Urban Planning PBIC Webinar—October 2015

Overview

- Fundamental reasons for designing campus streets for walking and bicycling
- Campus safety challenges
- PBIC: Campus pedestrian & bicycle safety strategies
 - Engineering, Education, Enforcement, Evaluation





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Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center

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Community Support

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PLANNING & DESIGN

Planning & Data Collection Tools

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Audits

Secondary Data Sources

ActiveTrans Priority Tool

Performance & Analysis

Level & Quality of Service

Intersection Safety Indices

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Sample Policies & Plans

Sample Policies

Sample Plans

Case Studies

Resources

Funding

Government

Non-Government

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety around University Campuses

College campuses represent unique physical and social environments within a city or a region. Many campuses have dense concentrations of activity — in classrooms, offices, research labs, dormitories, performance spaces, recreational facilities, and other locations — making walking and bicycling convenient means of travel between university buildings. Limited space for automobile parking and congested streets near universities tend to make walking, bicycling, and public transit attractive for commuting to campuses. These modes are also popular in university campus areas because students often have limited incomes and low rates of automobile ownership.



Students cross a roadway on the boundary of the University of California, Berkeley. Photo by Robert J. Schneider

Despite having physical layouts and social environments conducive to walking and

Source: Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center. "Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety around University Campuses," Available online, http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/planning/facilities universities.cfm, 2015.

Quick Example: UW-Milwaukee



Social Support

Quick Example: UW-Milwaukee



Political Support

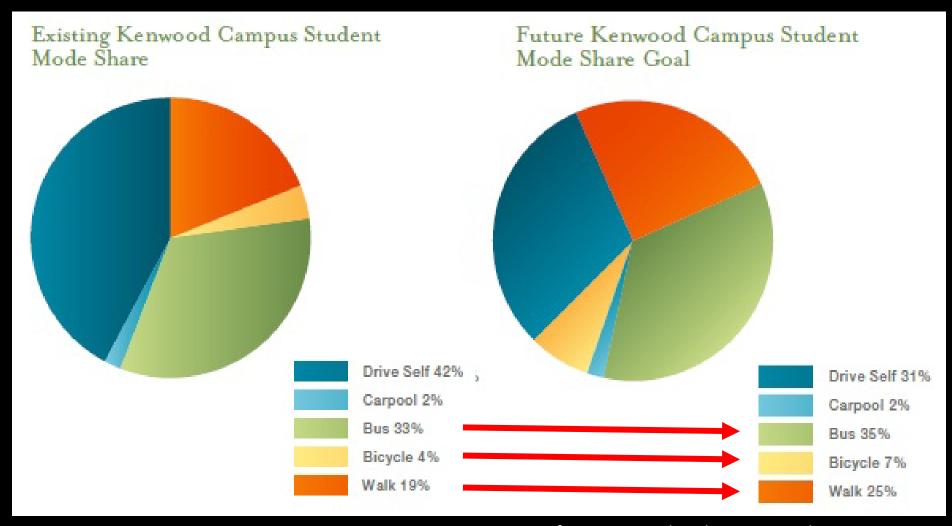
UWM Vision

"...a <u>commitment to create a pedestrian- and bicycle/transit-oriented</u> <u>campus</u>. The transportation recommendations champion a comprehensive Transportation Demand Management (TDM) approach that <u>prioritizes walking</u>, <u>cycling</u>, and transit."

UWM Campus Master Plan, 2010 (p. 129)



UWM <u>seeks to increase</u> Bicycle, Bus, and Pedestrian Commuting



Source: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Master Plan Report, 2010

What's so special about university campuses?

- Major activity hubs; compact
 - Employment
 - Population
- Low auto ownership
- Young: physical condition & attitudes

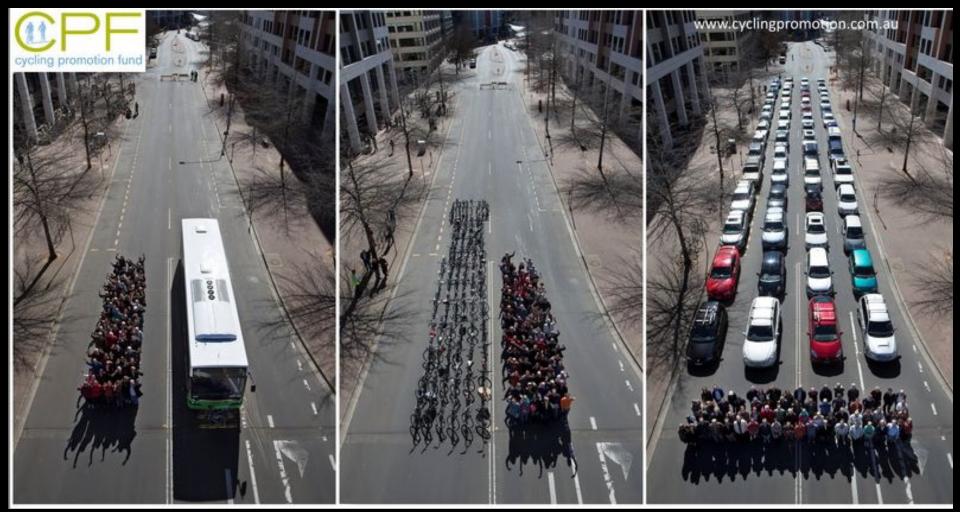




UW-Milwaukee

UC Davis

Scarce space: Pedestrians & bicyclists fit best



Roadway space taken up by 50 people using different types of transportation. Canberra, Australia.

Source: Cycling Promotion Fund, Available online, http://urbanist.typepad.com/.a/6a00d83454714d69e2017d3c37d8ac970c-popup

Parking is limited & expensive to construct



Pedestrians & bicyclists help make great places



Source: Google Street View, 2015.

Pedestrians & bicyclists help make great places







UW-Madison (football Saturday)



Source: Pedestrian and Bicycle Information Center. "Background: Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety in Campus Areas," Available online, http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/planning/facilities universities background.cfm, 2015.

Some still need to drive: Automobile access creates pedestrian & bicycle safety challenges



Campus Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Issues

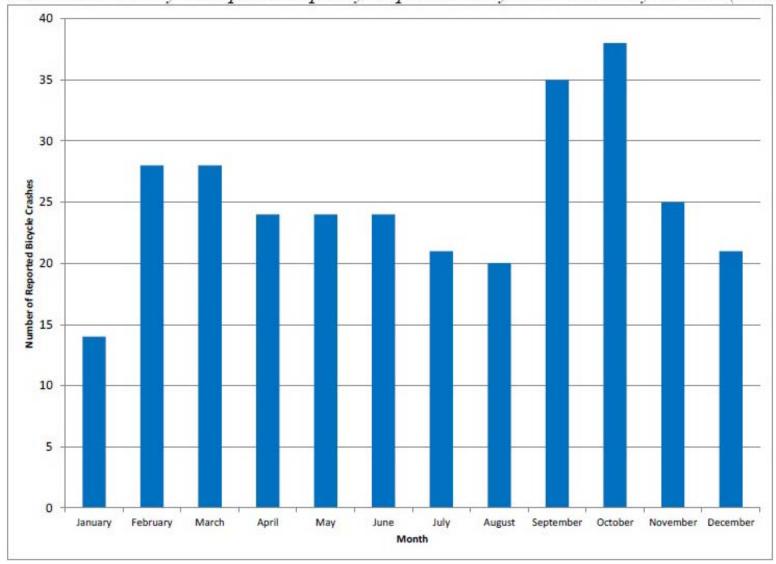
- Similarities to other areas
 - More crashes where there is more walking & bicycling, but risk is lower for each individual ("safety in numbers")
 - Higher speeds = more severe injuries
 - Multi-lane roads = more risk
 - Common factor: intoxication
- Differences from other areas
 - Pedestrian & bicyclist mixing
 - Boundary corridors
 - Early fall (students return
 & new students arrive)
 - Evening = more risk;more crashes



Safety Along Campus Boundary Corridors

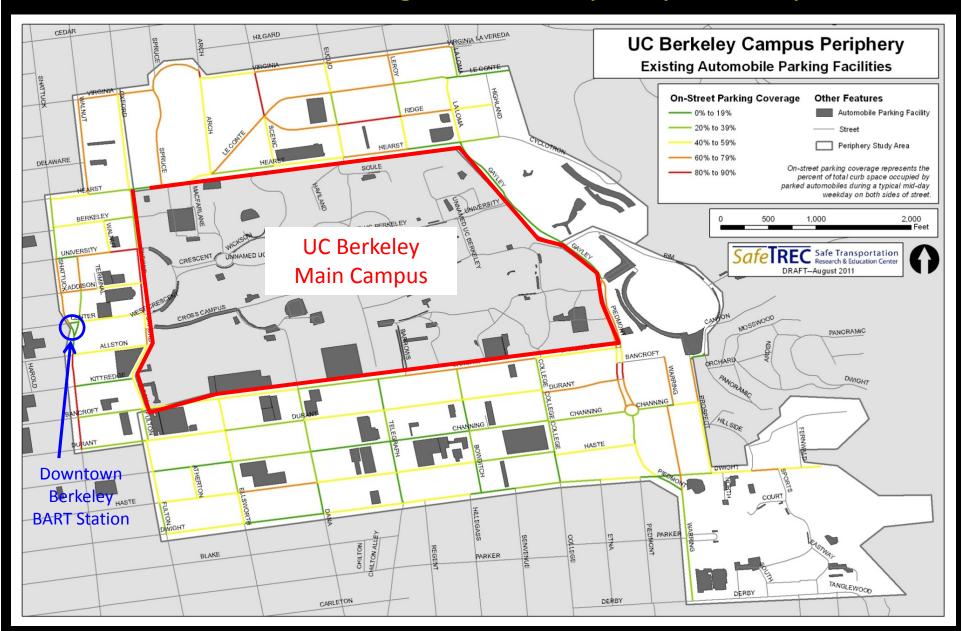
Total Number of Reported Crashes by Month over 10 Years

Figure 4.32. UC Berkeley Campus Periphery Reported Bicycle Crashes by Month (2000-2009)



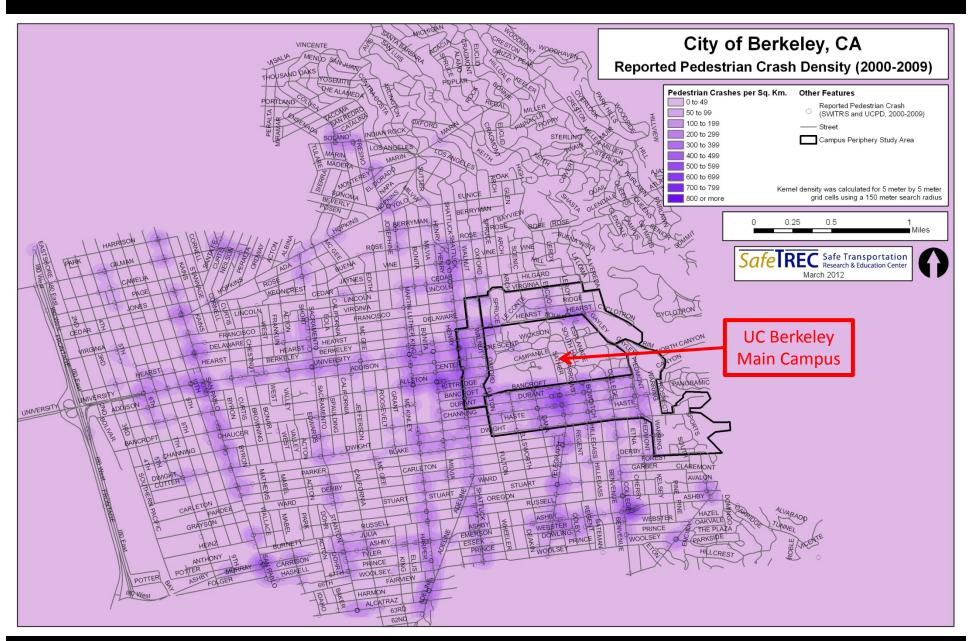
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Automobile Parking on the Periphery of Campus

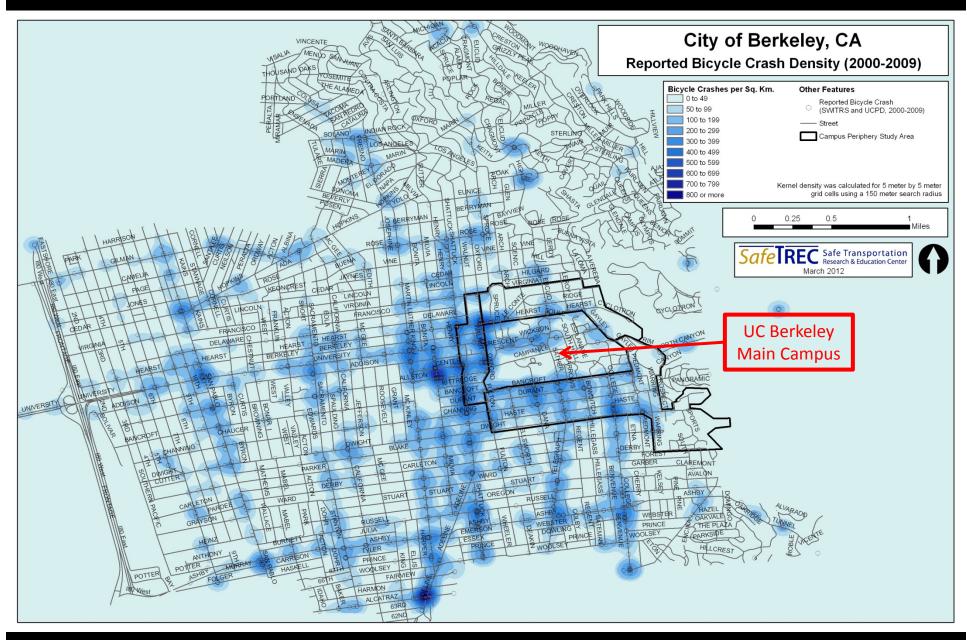


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25% of Berkeley's Pedestrian Crashes Occur Near Campus



20% of Berkeley's Bicycle Crashes Occur Near Campus



Methods to Identify Campus Safety Problems

- Standard methods
 - Safety audits
 - Hot spot crash mapping
 - Crash typing
 - Expected crash estimation

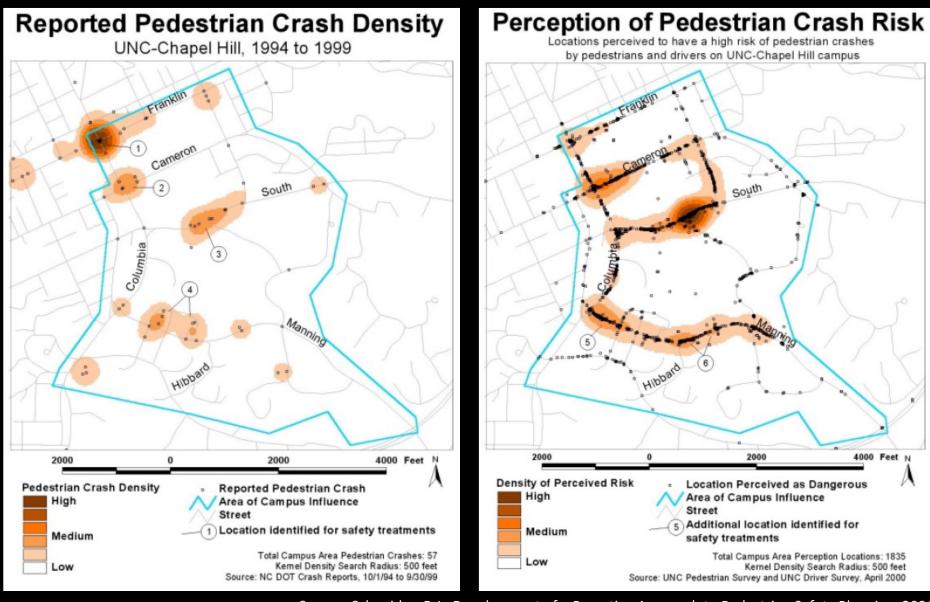


Source: Crash Modification Factors Clearinghouse

- Innovative campus methods
 - Perceived risk analysis
 - Self-reported incident analysis
 - Crash rate analysis
 - Behavior observation

Perceived Risk Analysis

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Reported and Perceived Pedestrian Crash Risk



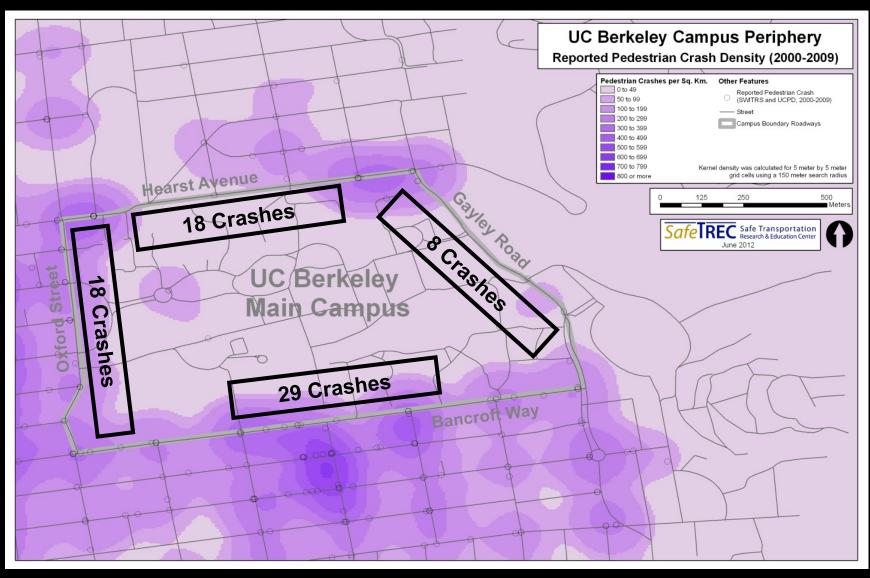
Self-Reported
Incident Analysis

University of California, Los Angeles Bicycle Hot Spots identified Using Police-Reported Crashes, Self-Reported Crashes, & Locations Perceived to be Hazardous

Sharles E Young O Westwood Top 15 UCLA Clusters (Bike) Perceived Hazardous Locations (Bike only) Perceived Hazardous Locations (Bike and Ped both selected) 6 - 10 0.15 0.3 0.6 Miles 0 11 - 15

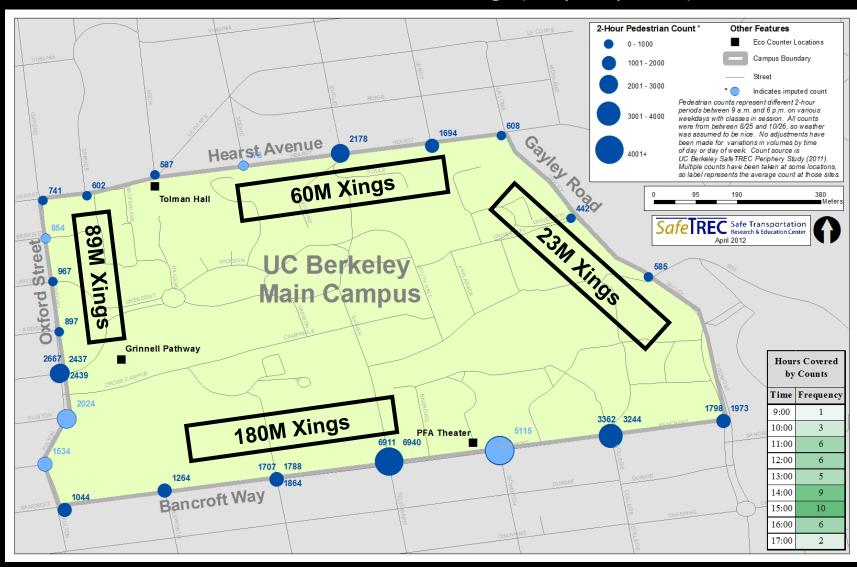
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Pedestrian Crashes along Boundary Roadways (2000-2009)



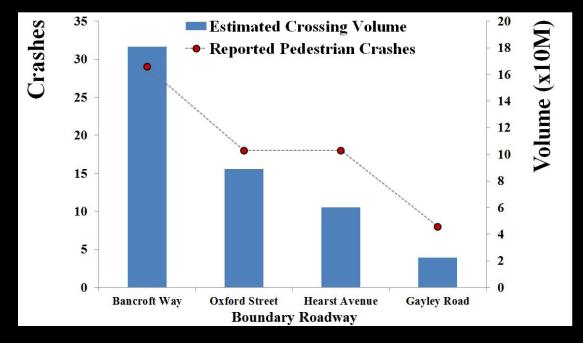
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Estimated Pedestrian Crossings (10-year period)



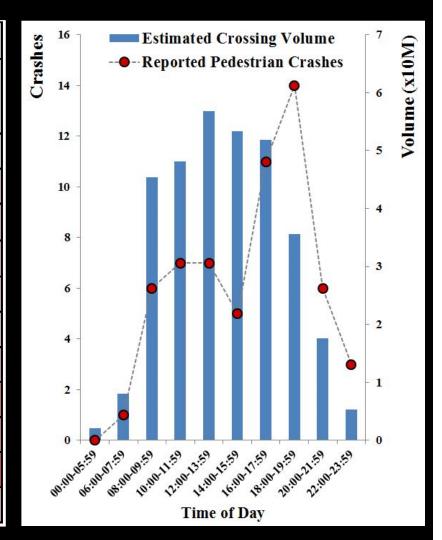
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Boundary Roadway	Reported Pedestrian Crashes	Estimated Crossing Volume	Crashes/10M crossings
Bancroft Way	29	180,654,595	1.61
Oxford Street	18	89,056,477	2.02
Hearst Avenue	18	60,215,955	2.99
Gayley Road	8	22,572,373	3.54
Total	60	324,243,069	1.85



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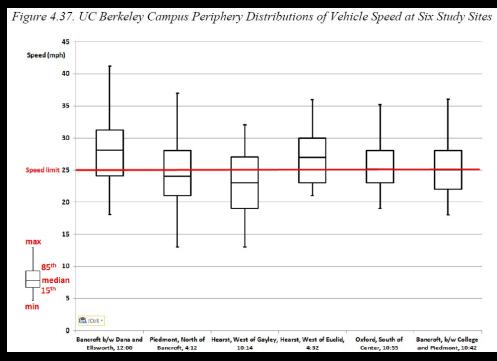
All 22 Boundary Roadway Intersections				
Time Period	Reported Pedestrian Crashes	Estimated Crossing Volume	Crashes/10M crossings	
00:00-05:59	0	2,025,899	0	
06:00-07:59	1	8,025,759	1.25	
08:00-09:59	6	45,451,089	1.32	
10:00-11:59	7	48,181,827	1.45	
12:00-13:59	7	56,791,023	1.23	
14:00-15:59	5	53,333,999	0.94	
16:00-17:59	11	51,804,940	2.12	
18:00-19:59	14	35,643,980	3.93	
20:00-21:59	6	17,638,689	3.40	
22:00-23:59	3	5,345,865	5.61	
Total	60	324,243,069	1.85	



Behavior Observation

(Overcome limitation of infrequent crashes)

- Vehicle speeds
- Driver yielding to pedestrians
- Traffic signal compliance, including RTOR
- Pedestrians looking for traffic before crossing

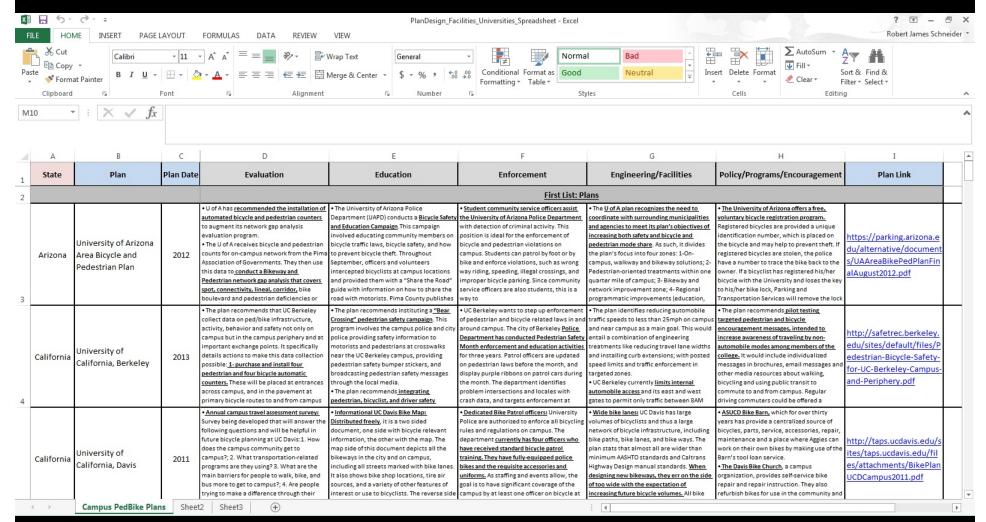




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Campus Engineering, Education, Enforcement, and Evaluation Strategies

Example Campus Plans Spreadsheet



(Details compiled by Jake Thirsk, UNC Highway Safety Research Center)

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Engineering



UC Berkeley



UW-Madison

Engineering



UC Davis



UC Berkeley

Engineering



Engineering: Understand which agency is responsible



Source: Google Street View

Education





Safety Education Posters produced by Champaign County Bikes in partnership with Facilities & Services

Education

- "Captive" audience for safety messages
- Opportunities to emphasize <u>pedestrian</u> safety
- Innovative examples
 - Incorporate pedestrian & bicycle safety into orientation (University of Arizona; UC San Diego; UC Berkeley; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; University of Maryland, College Park; Clemson University)
 - Offer a bicycle safety course for credit (Portland State University)
 - Offer bicycle maintenance and repair classes (UC Davis; University of Utah)
 - Conduct a pedestrian and bicycle safety campaign through social media (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)
 - Encourage students and other citizens to report unsafe pedestrian conditions to a website or phone hotline (Wake Forest University)

Enforcement

- Innovative examples
 - Purple ribbons on patrol cars = Pedestrian Safety Month
 & increased enforcement (UC Berkeley & City of Berkeley Police)
 - Dedicated bicycle patrol officers for pedestrian- & bicyclerelated laws (UC Davis; UC San Diego, UNC-Greensboro, Clemson University)
 - Increase penalties for pedestrian & bicycle-related infractions:
 warnings at the beginning of
 school year; tickets later
 (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)



Evaluation

- Infrastructure (e.g., Sidewalks, Bulbouts, Crossing distance)
- Activity (Annual pedestrian counts, Continuous counts, Mode share)
- Behavior (Motor vehicle speed, Yielding, Pedestrian signal compliance)
- Safety (Reported crashes & injuries, Crash & injury rates)



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Thanks!



For more information about Campus Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety, see: http://www.pedbikeinfo.org/planning/facilities_universities.cfm

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Strategies for UC Berkeley Campus and Periphery:

Recommendations for Implementation FINAL DRAFT—May 2012







"Pragmatic" Recommendations

UC Office of Risk Services

Andrew Goldbladt

UC Berkeley SafeTREC

- Robert Schneider
- Offer Grembek
- Matthew Braughton
- Phyllis Orrick
- David Ragland

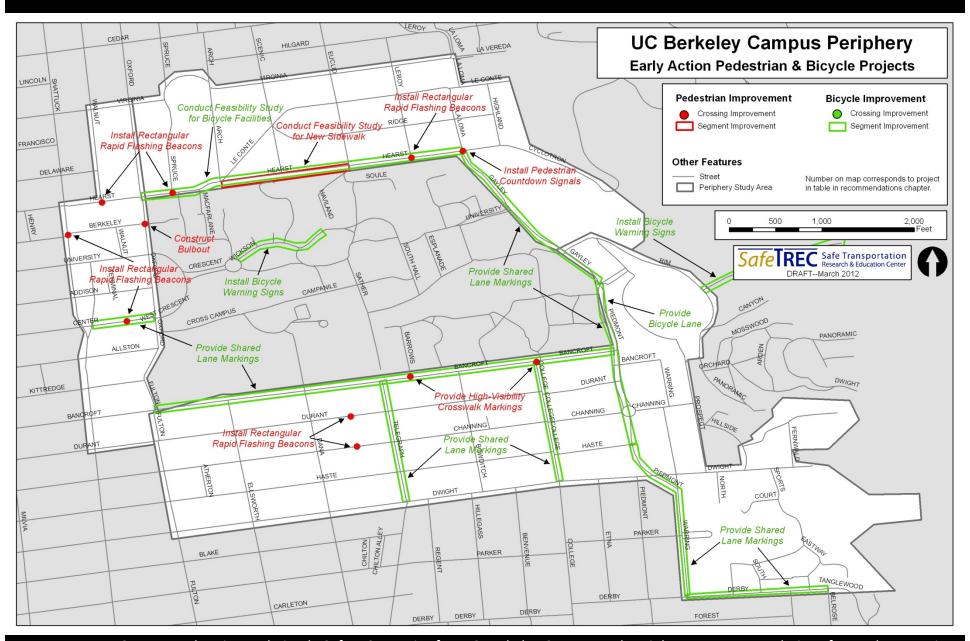
Key Consultation on Project

- Eric Anderson, City of Berkeley Transportation Division
- William Riggs, UC Berkeley Office of Physical and Environmental Planning

Report is available online:

http://safetrec.berkeley.edu/content/camp us-periphery-recommendations

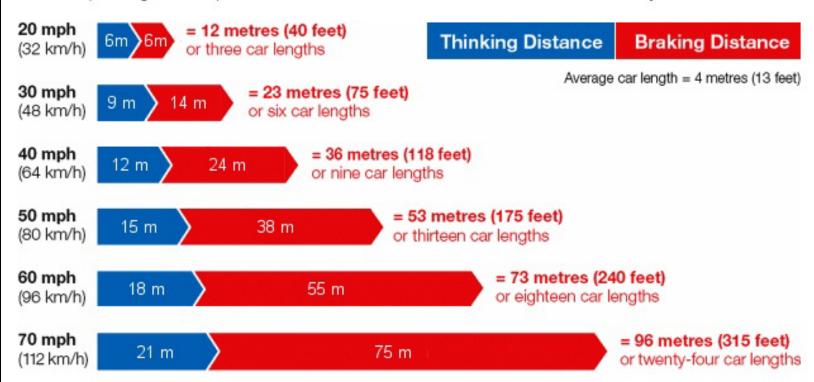
"Early Action" Projects



Slow speeds: Safer for human-powered modes

What is the braking and stopping distance at...

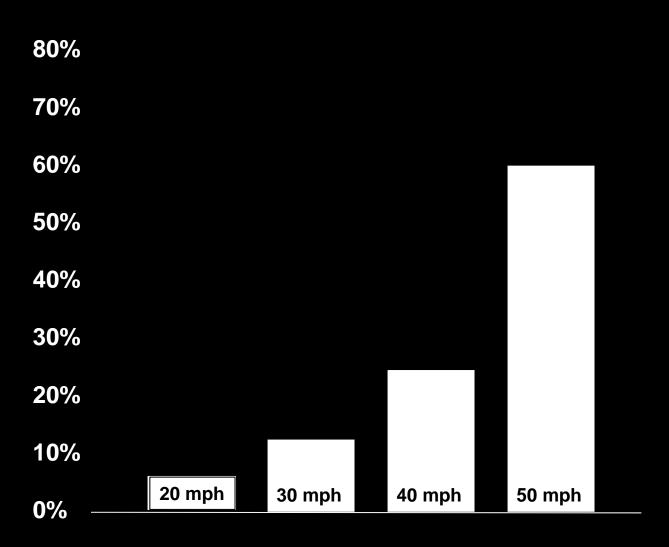
The diagram below shows the typical stopping distance. The distances shown are a general guide and will depend on your attention (thinking distance), the road surface, weather conditions and the condition of your vehicle.



Source: www.drivingtestsuccess.com, 2013 (United Kingdom)

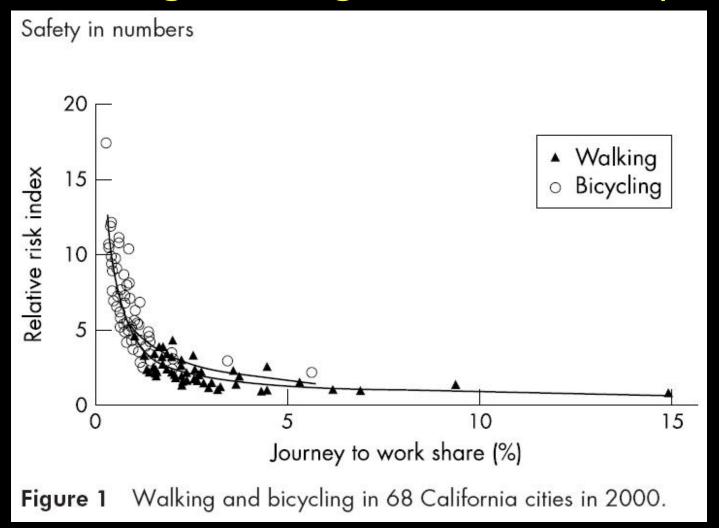
Fatalities Based on Speed of Vehicle

A pedestrian's chance of death if hit by a motor vehicle



Rosén, E, H. Stigson, and U. Sander. "Literature review of pedestrian fatality risk as a function of car impact speed," Accident Analysis and Prevention 43, pp. 25-33, 2011.

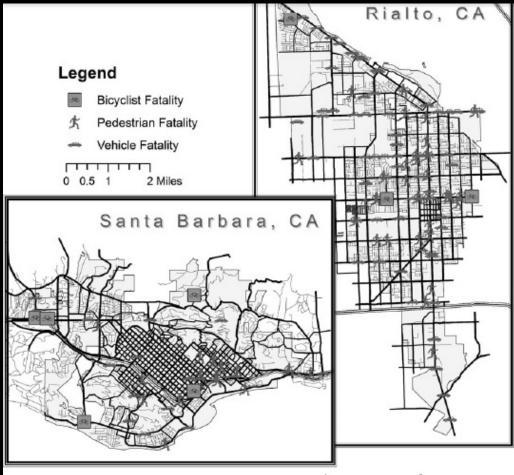
More walking & biking: Safer for each person



"A community doubling its walking (increase by 100%) can expect a 32% increase in injuries." (less than 100% increase)

Source: Jacobsen, P. "Safety in numbers: more walkers and bicyclists, safer walking and bicycling," Injury Prevention, Volume 9, Issue 3, pp. 205-209, 2003.

More walking & biking: Safer for each person (auto drivers & passengers, too)



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Source: Marshall, W.E. and N.W. Garrick. "Evidence on Why Bike-Friendly Cities are Safer for All Road Users," Environmental Practice, Volume 13, Number 1, pp. 16-27, 2011.

UC Berkeley

Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety at the Campus Edges

16 October 2015 Todd Henry, UC Berkeley Physical & Environmental Planning



Berkeley Campus | **Basics**



178 acre "Campus Park" ~10M sq feet built space 1,232 acre campus

Faculty/Staff: 15,000

Students: 35,000



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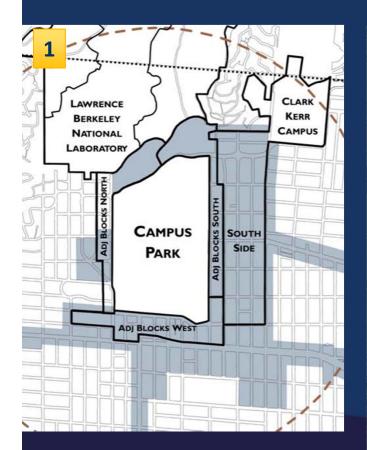
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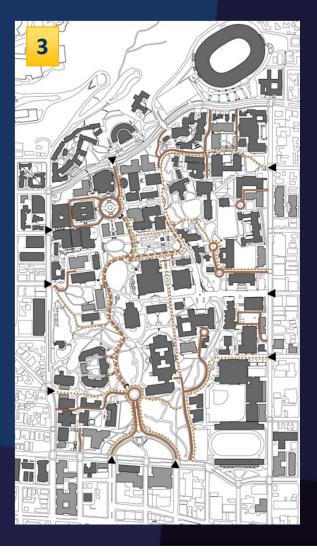
Primary Planning Frameworks

- 1. Long Range Development Plan Land Use, Population, Infrastructure, Design, Environment
- 2. Landscape Master Plan Design, Place, Circulation
- 3. Bicycle Master Plan Circulation, Infrastructure









On-Campus Challenges













Off-Campus Challenges













Transportation Project Development

- Long-Range Development Plan / TDM Funding Agreement w/ City of Berkeley
 - Projects that mitigation transportation impacts of campus growth on neighbors
 - Joint projects around the periphery of campus
 - 5-year expenditure plans approved by City and Campus
 - Used as leverage/local match for larger grants
- Project-based implementation
 - LRDP asks that all projects consider access, particularly bike and pedestrian access
 - All projects required to install bike parking, per bike plan
 - Consistency with landscape master plan (circulation elements)
 - LRDP calls for development of pedestrian plan
 - Other Sources
 - Parking & Transportation (e.g., transportation options, access improvements)
 - Real Estate (access and safety improvements, city-interface)
 - Other units



Transportation Project Priorities



Current Projects



Berkeley Way / Oxford Bulb-Out



before



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Bancroft Way Pedestrian and Transit Improvements





Dana and Bancroft Traffic Signal



before



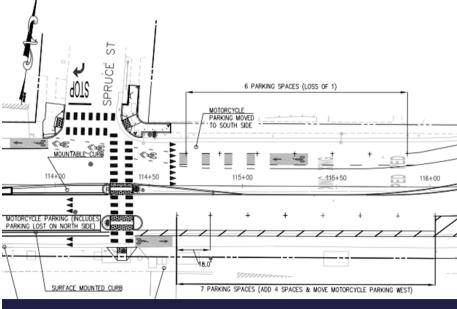
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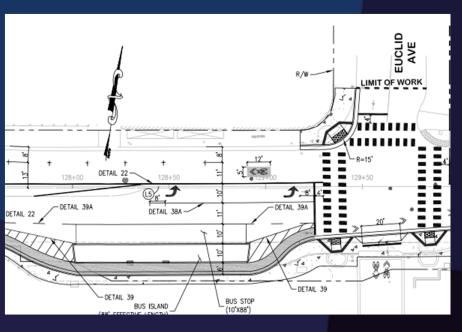


Hearst Avenue Complete Street



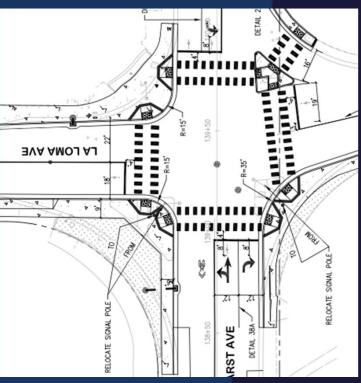






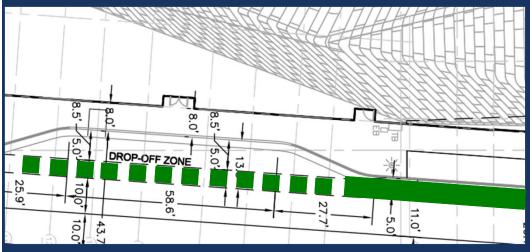
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Project Implementation – Art Museum and Science Building

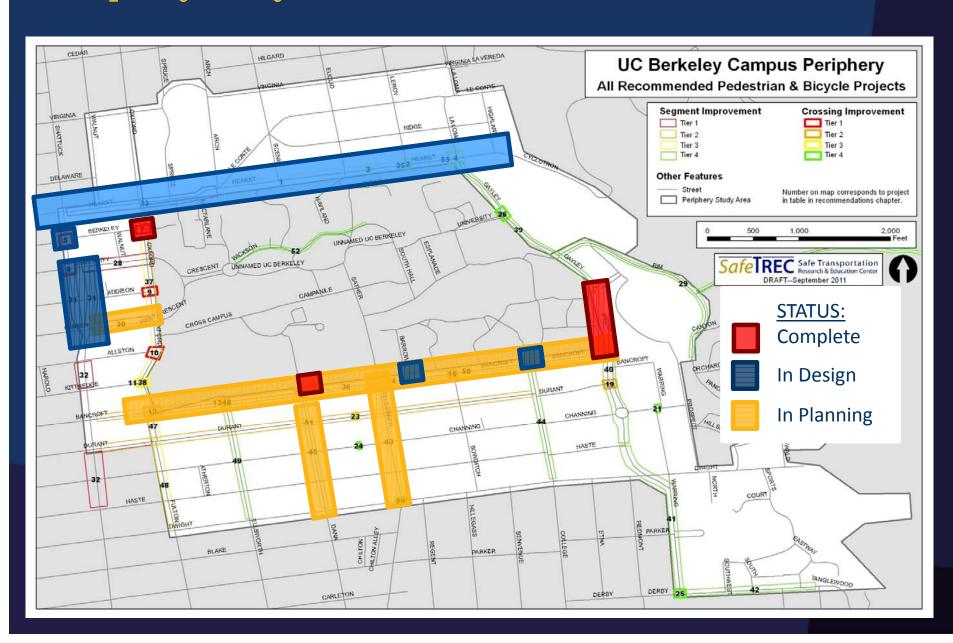




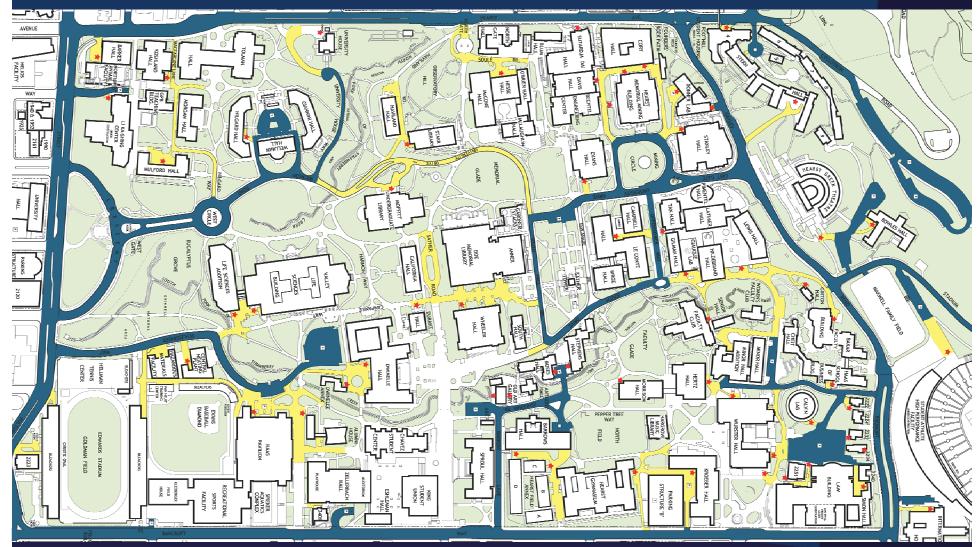




Periphery Study Outcomes / Status



Vehicle Access Policy





Bike Education and Ticket Diversion Program

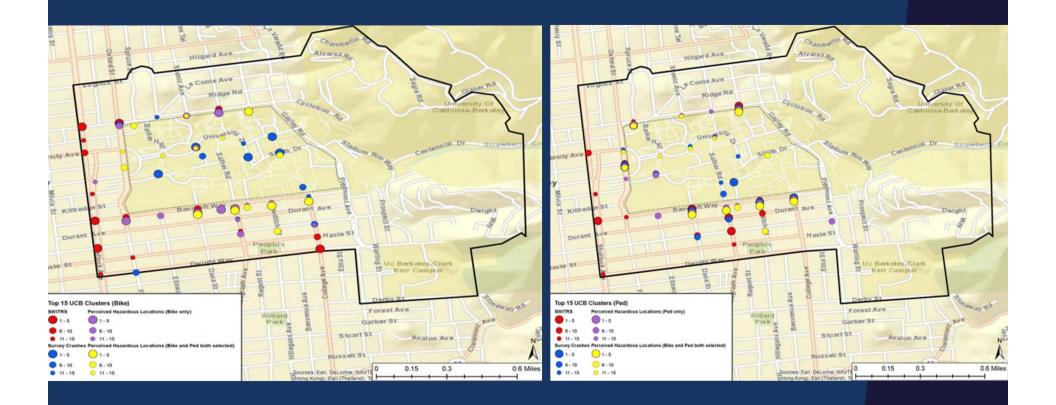




Future Projects



UCTC: Comparative Analysis of Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety Around University Campuses (Grembek, et al., 03/2014)





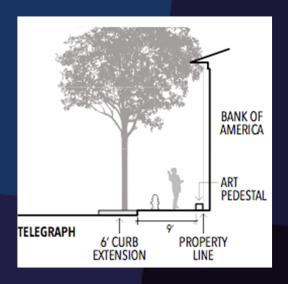
Telegraph Avenue Public Realm -- Preliminary









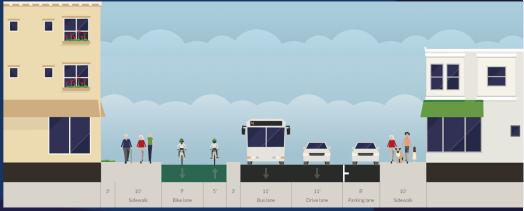


Southside Bikeways -- Preliminary











Thanks!





NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

Kathryn Zeringue TDM Program Manager

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NC STATE UNIVERSITY

A land grant institution established in 1887





Campus Enrollment:

Total undergraduates: 25,176

Graduate students: 9,591

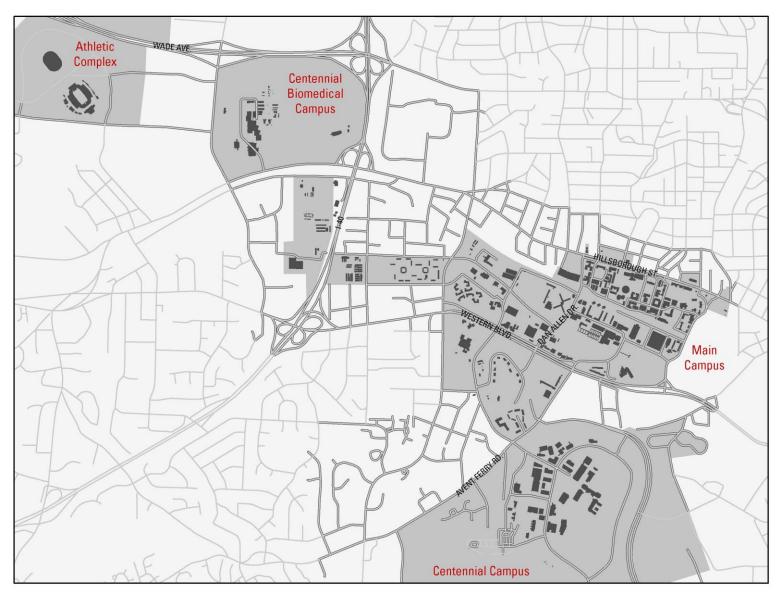
Student Population: 34,767

Faculty: 2,068

Staff: 5,554

Total Population: 42,389





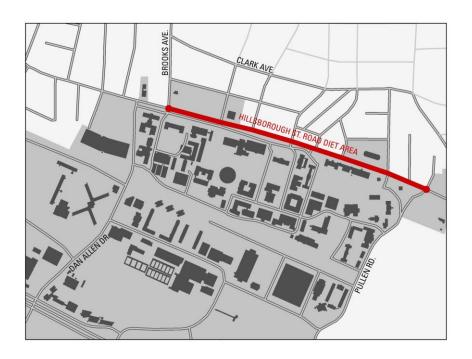
North Carolina State University



Campus Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety ENGINEERING



Hillsborough Street Road Diet



OVFRVIFW:

- Commercial corridor for NCSU students
- Neighborhood connection to Downtown
- 4-lane arterial
- Heavy foot traffic

FACTORS LEADING TO STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS:

- High pedestrian crash rates
- Traffic congestion
- Lack of bicycle infrastructure
- Pedestrian fatality caused public outcry



Hillsborough Street Road Diet



Hillsborough Street, 2009



Hillsborough Street, 2011

POSITIVE IMPACTS OF STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS:

- Vehicular speeds reduced, encouraged higher frequencies of pedestrian traffic
- Decreased traffic volumes
- 23% overall reduction in crashes post construction (2012 crash data analysis)



Dan Allen Drive Restricted Access

OVERVIEW:

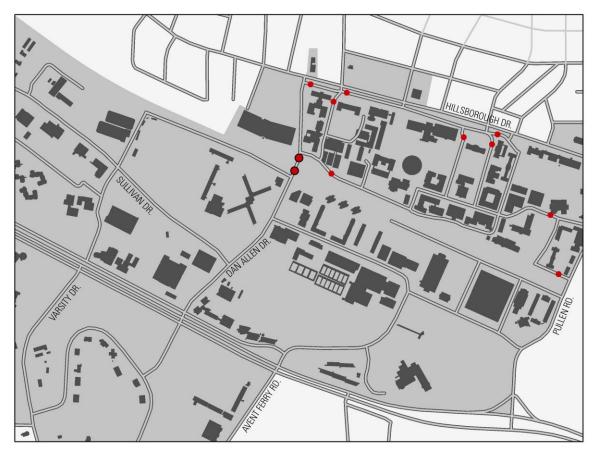
- Dan Allen Dr. is the main North-South campus corridor
- Effective January 2013; road closure, service vehicle access only, Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

FACTORS LEADING TO CLOSURE:

- Significant amount of congestion and cut-through traffic
- New student housing west of Dan Allen Dr. that would become a major pedestrian and bike trip generator
- Improve safety of bicyclists and pedestrians







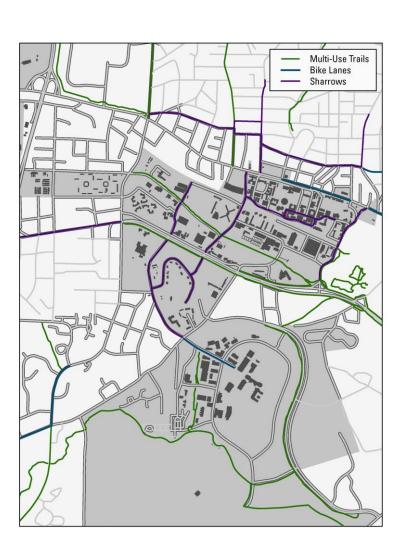
University Restricted Access Locations

POSITIVE IMPACTS OF DAN ALLEN DR. RESTRICTED ACCESS:

- Reduced traffic on Dan Allen Dr. by 30%
- Increased on-time performance of WolfLine routes along Dan Allen Dr. by 10%



Bicycle & Multi-Use Trail Networks



RECENT PROJECTS:

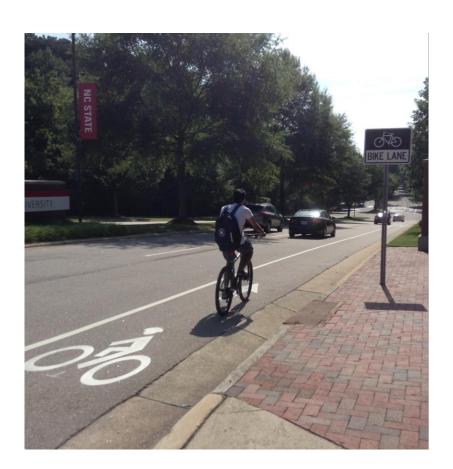
(Since 2011 Campus Bike & Pedestrian Plan)

- Varsity Dr. bike lane on Centennial Campus
- Improved connections between Centennial Campus trails and City of Raleigh trail system
- Expansion of sharrow network
- Rocky Branch Trail resurfacing with Color-Safe pavement material





Rocky Branch Trail Color-Safe Repaving



Varsity Drive Bike Lane



Campus Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety EDUCATION

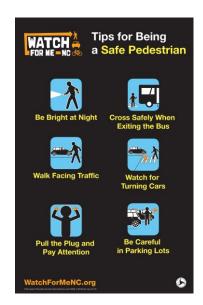


Watch for Me NC Campaign









OVFRVIFW.

- Statewide bicycle and pedestrian safety campaign run by NCDOT
- First piloted in Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill in 2012
- NC State partners with the City of Raleigh & University Police to distribute pamphlets, reflective armbands, and bike lights to campus community
- Areas of outreach: new student & employee orientation, Sustainability & Transportation tabling events, WolfLine bus wraps and interior bus ads, and UPD crosswalk safety checks
- Targets motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians



Lighten Up & Tune Up, Raleigh

Lighten Up, Raleigh

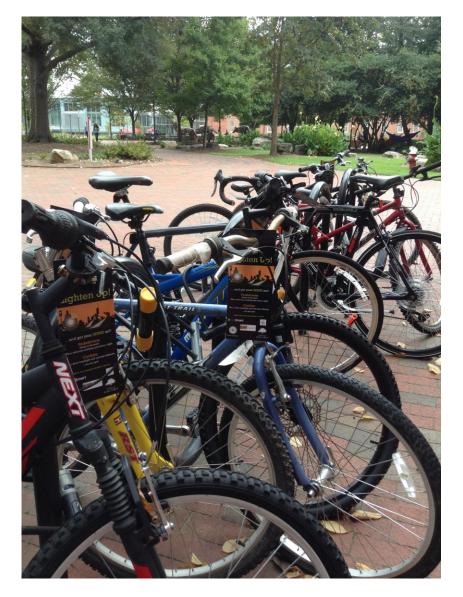
- Fall campaign focusing on bicycle and pedestrian safety and visibility
- Sponsored by GoTriangle
- Bicyclists receive free bike lights or 10% discount on lights from a local bike shop
- Pedestrians receive wrist lights

Tune Up, Raleigh

- Spring bicycle maintenance campaign
- Sponsored by the City of Raleigh in partnership with local bike shops
- Bicyclists receive a 15% discount on tune up services
- Pamphlets also provided on how to conduct an ABC Quick Check







Lighten Up, Raleigh - Fall '15 Campaign



Bicycle Maintenance Workshops



BICYCLE MAINTAINCE EDUCATION:

- Monthly, two-part bike repair classes hosted by the NC State Craft Center
- Weekly, open-shop maintenance sessions at the University Recreation Outdoor Adventures Center
- Workshops & sessions led by student bicycle mechanics who manage the campus bike rental program, Wolf Wheels



Campus Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety ENFORCEMENT



UPD Crosswalk Safety Program

Crosswalk Operations

- Plainclothes officer acts as a pedestrian approaching a crosswalk.
- If the vehicle does not stop, the driver is ticketed or given a warning.
- Drivers also given Watch for Me NC materials.

Educational Checks

- All vehicles are stopped at checking stations.
- Police distribute Watch for Me NC materials to motorists, no ticketing.





Campus Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety PLANNING & EVALUATION



Physical Master Plan, 2014

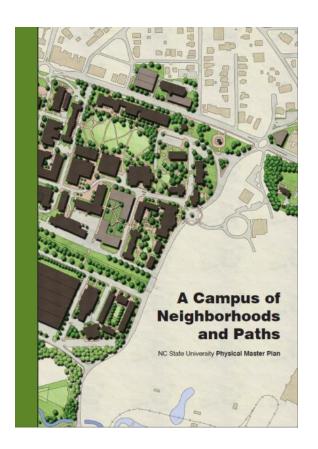
A Campus of Neighborhoods and Paths

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Human-scaled campus neighborhoods and paths
- Visible neighborhood activities
- Campus safety
- Effective movement for a pedestrian oriented environment

PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- Avent Ferry Rd. Streetscape Improvements
- Western Blvd. Bicycle & Pedestrian Tunnel





Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, 2011

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Promote a sustainable campus
- Improve safety
- Promote health and well-being
- Improve mobility choices for on- and off-campus transportation
- Improve regional connectivity

PROPOSED PROJECTS:

- Pedestrian Scramble at Cates Ave. & Morrill Dr.
- Pullen Roadway Extension with bike lanes & multi-use path
- Gorman Street Protected Bike Lane





Evaluation

BIANNUAL TRAFFIC COUNTS

- Counts conducted on all campus streets every odd year.
- North & Central campus streets counted in mid-fall, and South & Centennial campus streets counted in mid-spring.
- Plan to develop bicycle and pedestrian count program that coincides with existing traffic count schedule.

CRASH DATA

- Receive monthly University Police crash data; City of Raleigh data on an as-needed basis
- Evaluate crash data to propose crosswalk & streetscape improvements

BIANNUAL COMMUTER SURVEYS

- Surveys administered every odd year; employees in March, students in November
- Survey format and questions created by consultant; funded by TJCOG
- Biking & Walking Commute Questions: several asked to better understand commuter decisions and incentives and perceived safety for bicyclists and pedestrians on campus.



Questions?

Thanks so much for participating!

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