



UCLA PD CRIME ALERT

October 15, 2009

BIKE THEFTS

UCLA has experienced an increase in bike thefts in the last 12 months. Between October 15, 2008 and October 15, 2009, 244 bike thefts have been reported. In the 12 months prior, 58 bikes were reported stolen.

UCLA PD would like to share some bicycle theft prevention tips.

PROTECTING YOUR BIKE

Lock your bike securely and correctly, even if it is inside a building. These additional precautions can keep your bicycle safer from theft:

- Use a quality lock and case-hardened chain or cable to lock your bicycle.
- Lock your bicycle by placing a chain or cable through both wheels, the frame and around a stationary object. If you use a bicycle rack, place the chain or cable through one wheel and the frame.
- At home, keep your bicycle in a locked garage, basement or room. Never leave it on a balcony, in the yard, or in a driveway.

For added security, UCLA Transportation rents out bicycle locker spaces in numerous locations across campus. To participate, sign up at Bicycle Parking Network <http://bicycleparkingnetwork.com>. **Locker locations:** Parking Structures 2, 5, 7, and CHS. **Fee:** It cost \$5.95 to sign up as a Bicycle Parking Network member.

LICENSING OF BICYCLES

UCLA Police officers proactively patrol for bike thefts and have made several arrests and recovered numerous bikes. Register your bike in order to increase your chances of recovering your bike.

Bicycles operated on campus, must have a California State Bicycle License, which may be obtained at the Community Services Officers Programs office, at the UCLA Police Department, 11000 Kinross Ave. Registration is done between Monday and Thursday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Make sure to bring photo identification (i.e. a driver's license or state identification card) and the bike to the office. There is a license fee of \$10. Registration is valid for a period of up to three years expiring on December 31 of the third year. Valid California Bicycle Licenses from other agencies will be accepted by the University Police Department. It is recommended that owners re-register with the University Police Department in order to assure that current information is available in the event of theft.

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