

Welcome to UofSC Transit!

UofSC Transit has 10 daytime and 2 night routes to get you around the University of South Carolina campus in downtown Columbia. Best of all, if you are a student, employee or faculty member of UofSC, the ride is free!

Look for UofSC Transit bus stop signs and specially wrapped buses for travel between University



destinations. The route names and numbers appear on bus displays above the driver, and on the sides of vehicles. UofSC Transit operates every 10-30 minutes on 12 routes, Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with limited service on Saturday and Sunday, as well as reduced school days. Check the service calendar for additional details.



Blue Bike

Blue Bike provides on-demand access to bicycles for short distance trips in downtown Columbia. UofSC Transit riders can receive unlimited 45-minute Blue Bike ride sessions in a day by asking the bus operator for a code to input in a kiosk or on the app. More details available by downloading the Blue Bike SC app from App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android) or visiting www.bluebikes.com. A credit card, pre-paid gift card or debit card with Visa or Mastercard logo is required to use Blue Bike.

Transit Stops

UofSC Transit buses only stop at signed transit stops. Flag stops are not permitted. A complete transit stop list for each route is available below. Some transit stops have benches, shelters and trash cans. Real time tracking by bus stop is available by texting "uscvmpt" and the bus stop ID number on the sign to 41411 to get real time information sent to your phone! **Example:** uscvmpt 266 in a text message to 41411. You can also download the Transit app to track buses in real time, or visit uscvmpt.transloc.com.

Late Night Ridesharing

The COMET will pay up to \$8.00 for ridesharing trips that start and end in The COMET fixed route service area on Lyft and Uber through COMET @ Night, seven days a week between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. by applying the promo code which is posted inside the bus. Anything over \$8.00 is your responsibility. The code must be entered to receive the discount. Trips outside the service area are not eligible for the discount. To get started, download the Lyft and Uber app from App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android). If you do not have a smartphone or require mobility device access, call (803) 255-7124 for service.

How To Ride UofSC Transit Powered by The COMET

- Catching the Bus:** Be at the transit stop 5 minutes before the scheduled departure. Make sure the bus operator can see you. Check the headsign on the front, curbside or rear of the bus to ensure you board the correct route. When boarding at night, wear bright clothing and flash the bus operator with a light.
- Paying your Fare:** If you are a student, employee or faculty member of UofSC, the ride is free! Swipe your CarolinaCard in the farebox. If you do not have a CarolinaCard you will be required to pay a fare. Otherwise, for all other passengers, be ready to pay your fare or present your pass when you board. Bus operators cannot make change. Should you overpay, a change card will be issued for future use on The COMET.
- Exiting the Bus:** When you see your destination or transfer point, signal the bus operator, by pulling the cord near the window, pushing the yellow strip or calling out "next stop". Please provide enough notice, so that the bus operator can stop safely. If you are not familiar with the area, ask the bus operator for assistance. Please do not cross in front of the bus when exiting and do not forget your bicycle if you have one!
- Inclement Weather & Service Interruption:** For The COMET inclement weather and service interruption information, please visit call (803) 255-7118 or check The COMET website, Facebook or Twitter (CatchTheCOMET) for updates.
- Innovative Mobility:** The COMET offers additional programs such as free Blue Bike rides in Downtown Columbia by asking for the code from the bus operator, \$8.00 subsidy on Lyft and Uber for trips to and from the grocery store and between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., 7 days a week, DART service for those with a disability that cannot ride The COMET buses, mobility services for seniors and persons with disabilities that live in Richland and Lexington Counties outside of the DART service area and a vanpool program for commuters to work. To learn more, visit www.CatchTheCOMET.org or call (803) 255-7100.
- Night Owl:** At night, upon request, the bus operator can stop at a location that is closer to your final destination rather than the regular stop. The bus operator will determine where it is safe to pull over.
- Bicycles:** Bicycle racks are located on the front of all The COMET buses. Racks are available on a first come-first served basis. Customers are responsible for loading and unloading bicycles, and use the racks at their own risk.
- Animals on The COMET:** Service animals are welcome. Non-service animals may travel on the bus if secured in a cage or muzzle.
- Amenities:** Cell phone ports, wi-fi, hand sanitizers and security cameras available on board every UofSC bus! Download CatchTheCOMET app or Transit app from Google Play or App Store to track UofSC Transit!



UofSC Transit Service Calendar

Only Routes 13, 14 and 20 operate on reduced service days. Only Route 20 operates on weekends.

MONTH	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
August 2021	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28
September 2021	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	1 8 15 22 29	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25
October 2021	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30
November 2021	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25	12 19 26	13 20 27
December 2021	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25
January 2022	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29

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October 2021	3 10 17 24 31	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30
November 2021	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25	12 19 26	13 20 27
December 2021	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	10 17 24 31	11 18 25
January 2022	2 9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	4 11 18 25	5 12 19 26	6 13 20 27	7 14 21 28	8 15 22 29

LEGEND	
Full Service Day	Weekend Service Day
Reduced Service Day	Beginning or End of Semester, Full Service Day
	University Closed, No Service



UofSC Transit Fares

UofSC employees, students and faculty can ride UofSC Transit **FREE**. Swipe your CarolinaCard in the farebox in order to receive a free ride.

The COMET Fares

Effective 1/28/2019	Basic	Discount*	Express
One Way	\$2.00	\$1.00	\$4.00
All-Day Pass	\$4.00	\$2.00	\$6.00
7-Day Pass	\$14.00	\$7.00	\$28.00
10-Ride Pass	N/A	N/A	\$40.00
31-Day Pass	\$40.00	\$20.00	\$80.00
Route Deviation on Flex Routes	+\$2.00	+\$1.00	N/A
Express Route Upcharge	+\$2.00	+\$1.00	—
Soda Cap Connector	\$1.00	\$.50	—
Transfer (60 minutes only)	FREE	FREE	FREE

*Free transfer requires COMETCard

Discount Fares are available to:

- Seniors ages 65 years old and older with ID
- Persons with Disabilities with The COMET Half Fare ID
- Medicare Card Holders with ID
- Youth ages 16-18 years old with The COMET Half Fare ID
- Veterans with a Military ID, Veterans ID or DD-214 form
- Half Fare ID Cards can be obtained at COMET Central. Call (803) 255-7100 for more details.
- The COMET offers free programs for DART passengers, youth 39 inches to 15 years old, students in middle and high schools in Richland and Lexington Counties and selected employers. Visit www.CatchTheCOMET.org or call (803) 255-7100 for details.
- UofSC employees, students and faculty can ride UofSC Transit free. Fares are required on The COMET Routes (except Route 7, which is free).
- Santee Wateree RTA and Fairfield County Transit System transfers are accepted for no additional cost.

Passes

COMETCards, Day, 7-Day, and 31-Day Passes can be purchased:

- In person:** All Piggly Wiggly Stores in Columbia, Eastover and Springdale Town Halls, Lowell C. Spire, Jr. Regional Transit Facility, 3613 Lucius Road, MTC-Beltline Campus, Columbia Visitors Center and COMET Central, 1745 Sumter Street in Columbia
- On our website:** www.CatchTheCOMET.org (credit card)
- On our App:** Catch The COMET Transit. Moovit or Token Transit app from Google Play or App Store (credit card or cash wallet payable at the COMET Central)
- By mail:** The COMET, 3613 Lucius Road, Columbia, SC (check, credit card or money order)
- On the bus:** Day, 7-Day or 10-Ride Passes (cash)
- All passes are non-refundable, non-replaceable and non-transferable.
- Businesses and organizations that purchase in bulk can purchase Basic passes at Discount prices. Call (803) 255-7133 or email: info@CatchTheCOMET.org for more details.

UofSC Transit Holiday Schedule

No service is provided on UofSC holidays which are: New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day After Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, all days between Christmas and New Years Eve, and New Year's Eve. Reduced service operates on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Spring/Fall breaks and/or wellness days. For The COMET holiday schedule, visit www.catchTheCOMET.org or call (803) 255-7100.

Customer Service

- Visit COMET Central located at 1745 Sumter Street, Columbia. It is open 7 days a week from 5 a.m. to 11:45 p.m. Customer Service is available 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Call Center telephone hours are available 7 days a week from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Plan your trip by downloading Transit app from Google Play or the App Store. You may also pay fares, find Blue Bikes, and order Lyft and Uber cars. Your one stop shop!
- Lost and Found:** If you leave an item on The COMET bus, please call (803) 253-7100 to see if it has been retrieved. The COMET or its contractors are not responsible for lost or stolen items on board its vehicles. Items not retrieved within 30 days will be donated to local charity or disposed of.

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

The Central Midlands Transit (COMET) is committed to ensuring that no person is excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of its services on the basis of race, color or national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended. For more information, or to file a complaint, contact The COMET Director of Regulatory Compliance & Civil Rights Officer, as defined above, FTA Office of Civil Rights, Attention: Title VI Program. Coordinator, East Building — 5th Floor TCR, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 or SCDOT, Attn: Title VI Program Coordinator at (803) 737-5095, or in writing to the Office of Business Development & Special Programs, 955 Park Street, Suite 117, Columbia SC 29202.

UofSC Transit Evening Routes

UofSC Frequency Chart • Evening Routes

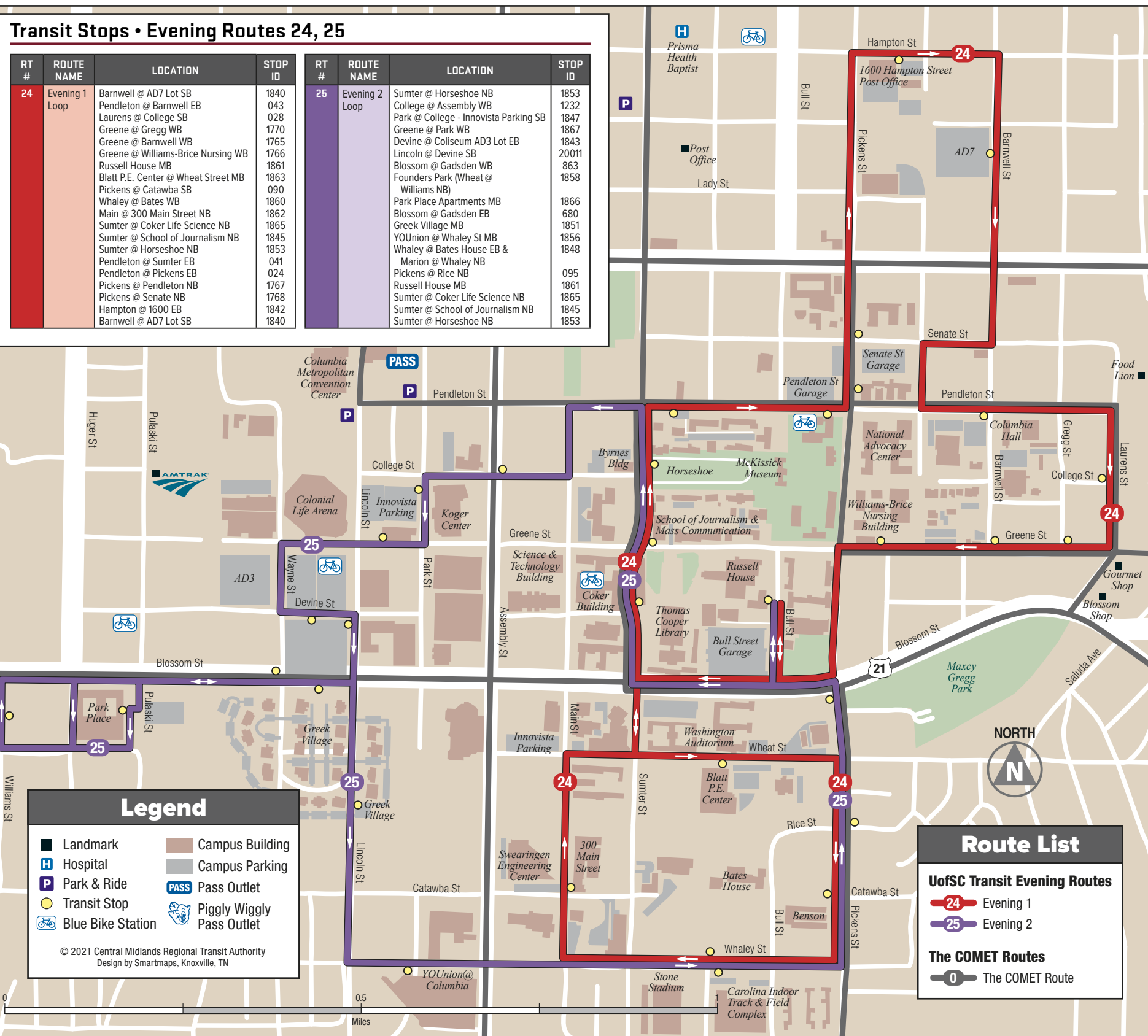
No service on reduced service days. See service calendar for details.

For exact times of routes, take advantage of The COMET's real time tracking which is available by using one of our partner apps such as **Transit** or **Moovit**, or by visiting uscvmpt.transloc.com.

RT #	ROUTE NAME	STARTING AND ENDING POINT	SERVICE SPAN	DAYS OF OPERATION	FREQUENCY	FIRST TRIP	MINUTES AFTER THE HOUR FROM FIRST TRIP	LAST TRIP
24	Evening 1	Barnwell @ AD7	6:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.	Monday-Friday	30 Minutes	6:00 p.m.	:30, :00	12:00 a.m.
25	Evening 2	Sumter @ College (Horseshoe)	6:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.	Monday-Friday	30 Minutes	6:00 p.m.	:30, :00	12:00 a.m.

Transit Stops • Evening Routes 24, 25

RT #	ROUTE NAME	LOCATION	STOP ID
24	Evening 1 Loop	Barnwell @ AD7 Lot SB	1840
		Pendleton @ Barnwell EB	043
		Laurens @ College SB	028
		Greene @ Gregg WB	1770
		Greene @ Barnwell WB	1765
		Greene @ Williams-Brice Nursing WB	1766
		Russell House MB	1861
		Blatt P.E. Center @ Wheat Street MB	1863
		Pickens @ Catawba SB	090
		Whaley @ Bates WB	1860
		Main @ 300 Main Street NB	1862
		Sumter @ Coker Life Science NB	1865
		Sumter @ School of Journalism NB	1845
		Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853
		Pendleton @ Sumter EB	041
		Pendleton @ Pickens EB	024
Pickens @ Pendleton NB	1767		
Pickens @ Senate NB	1758		
Hampton @ 1600 EB	1842		
Barnwell @ AD7 Lot SB	1840		
25	Evening 2 Loop	Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853
		College @ Assembly WB	1232
		Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847
		Greene @ Park WB	1867
		Devine @ Coliseum AD3 Lot EB	1943
		Lincoln @ Devine SB	20011
		Blossom @ Gadsden WB	863
		Founders Park (Wheat @ Williams NB)	1858
		Park Place Apartments MB	1866
		Blossom @ Gadsden EB	680
		Greek Village MB	1856
		YOUnion @ Whaley St MB	1856
		Whaley @ Bates House EB & Marion @ Whaley NB	1848
		Pickens @ Rice NB	095
		Russell House MB	1861
		Sumter @ Coker Life Science NB	1865
Sumter @ School of Journalism NB	1845		
Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853		



UofSC Transit is powered by The Central Midlands Regional Transportation Authority. Services are provided under contract to RATP Dev USA, Inc. of Fort Worth, TX. The COMET has an intergovernmental agreement with the University of South Carolina to provide this service to you!

We hope to hear from you! We want your bus ride to be perfect every time. We welcome your comments, compliments, complaints or suggestions. Tell us how we can be better for you!

For specific comments, suggestions or concerns about UofSC Transit, please contact the UofSC Parking and Transportation Services, 1501 Pendleton Street, Columbia, SC 29208. You can email: shuttle@mailbox.sc.edu or visit phone 803.777.5160, fax: 803.777.4325.

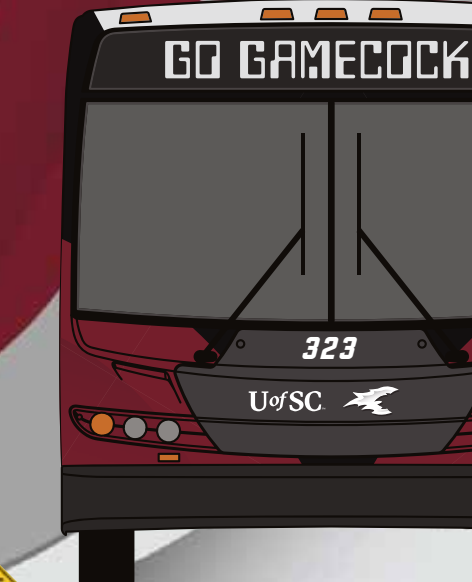
UofSC Parking and Transportation Services on the web at: http://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/ parking/parking/index.php

About UofSC Transit

Effective Thursday, August 19, 2021



UofSC TRANSIT



www.CatchTheCOMET.org
803.255.7100 • 711 through Relay Service



UofSC Transit Day Routes

UofSC Frequency Chart • Day Routes and Gamecock Express

Only Routes 13, 14 and 20 operate on reduced service days. See service calendar for details.

Below are the specifics of each of the UofSC Transit routes serving the UofSC campus. Routes generally operate between 7:00 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. operating every 10-30 minutes, Monday-Friday. Limited service is provided on Saturday, Sundays and designated reduced service days as defined on the Service Calendar.

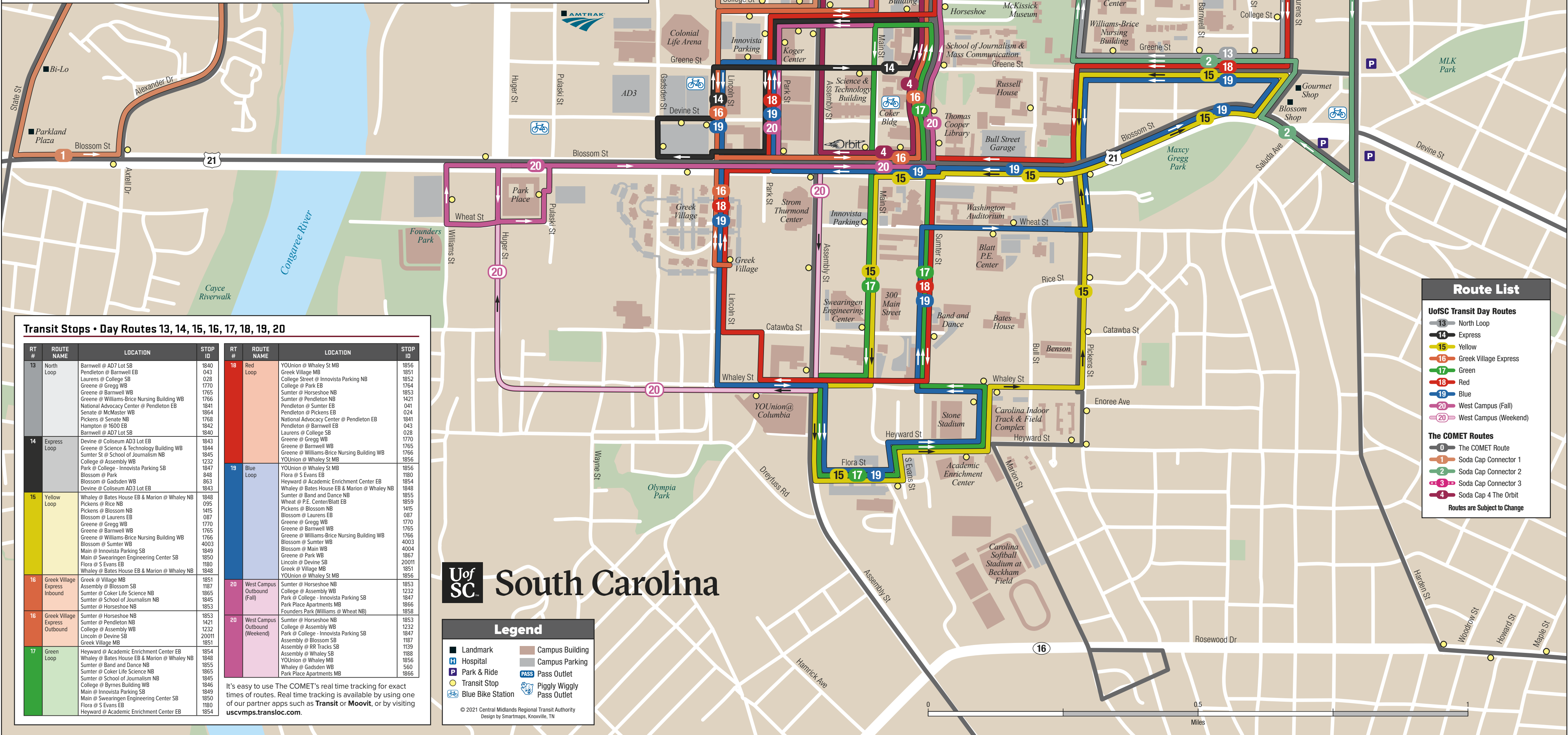
The chart below shows the span of service (hours of operation) according to the day of the week, and the frequency of each route (how many minutes apart trips are scheduled for each bus route). The minutes listed are approximate and service hours vary by route. Times are first pick up to last drop off.

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See Evening Routes on other side.

RT #	ROUTE NAME	STARTING AND ENDING POINT	SERVICE SPAN	DAYS OF OPERATION	FREQUENCY	FIRST TRIP	MINUTES AFTER THE HOUR FROM FIRST TRIP	LAST TRIP
13	North Loop	Barnwell @ AD7 Parking Lot	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	20 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:10, :30, :50	5:50 p.m.
14	Express	Devine @ AD3 Parking Lot	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	15 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:30, :45, :00, :15	5:45 p.m.
15	Yellow	Bates @ AD6 Parking Lot	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	20 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:10, :30, :50	5:50 p.m.
16	Greek Village Express	Sumter @ College (Horseshoe)	7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	15 Minutes	9:30 a.m.	:30, :45, :00, :15	1:45 p.m.
17	Green	Heyward @ Dodie Anderson Academic Enrichment Center	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	20 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:10, :30, :50	5:50 p.m.
18	Red	YOUnion (Whaley @ Park)	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	15 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:00, :15, :30, :45	5:30 p.m.
19	Blue	YOUnion (Whaley @ Park)	7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	15 Minutes	7:30 a.m.	:00, :15, :30, :45	5:45 p.m.
20	West Campus (Fall)	Founders Park (Williams @ Wheat NB)	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Monday-Friday	10 Minutes*	7:00 a.m.	:00, :10, :20, :30, :40, :50	7:00 p.m.
20	West Campus (Weekend)	Park Place Apartments MB	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Saturday & Sunday	20 Minutes	9:00 a.m. / 3:00 p.m.	:00, :20, :40	1:00 p.m. / 8:00 p.m.

*20 minute frequency on reduced service days departing at :00, :20, :40 from the starting point. Last trip at 6:40 p.m. from starting point.



Transit Stops • Day Routes 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

RT #	ROUTE NAME	LOCATION	STOP ID	RT #	ROUTE NAME	LOCATION	STOP ID				
13	North Loop	Barnwell @ AD7 Lot SB	1840	18	Red Loop	YOUnion @ Whaley St MB	1856				
		Pendleton @ Barnwell EB	043			Greek Village MB	1851				
		Laurens @ College SB	028			College Street @ Innovista Parking NB	1852				
		Greene @ Gregg WB	1770			College @ Park EB	1764				
		Greene @ Barnwell WB	1765			Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853				
		Greene @ Williams-Brice Nursing Building WB	1766			Sumter @ Pendleton NB	1421				
		National Advocacy Center @ Pendleton EB	1841			Pendleton @ Sumter EB	041				
		Senate @ McMaster WB	1864			Pendleton @ Pickens EB	024				
		Pickens @ Senate NB	1768			National Advocacy Center @ Pendleton EB	1841				
		Hampton @ 1600 EB	1842			Pendleton @ Barnwell EB	043				
Barnwell @ AD7 Lot SB	1840	Laurens @ College SB	028								
14	Express Loop	Devine @ Coliseum AD3 Lot EB	1843	19	Blue Loop	YOUnion @ Whaley St MB	1856				
		Greene @ Science & Technology Building WB	1844			Flora @ S Evans EB	1180				
		Sumter St @ School of Journalism NB	1845			Heyward @ Academic Enrichment Center EB	1854				
		College @ Assembly WB	1232			Whaley @ Bates House EB & Marion @ Whaley NB	1848				
		Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847			Sumter @ Band and Dance NB	1855				
		Blossom @ Park	848			Wheat @ P.E. Center/Blatt EB	1859				
		Blossom @ Gadsden WB	863			Pickens @ Blossom NB	1415				
		Devine @ Coliseum AD3 Lot EB	1843			Blossom @ Laurens EB	087				
		15	Yellow Loop			Whaley @ Bates House EB & Marion @ Whaley NB	1848	20	West Campus (Fall)	Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853
						Pickens @ Rice NB	095			College @ Assembly WB	1232
Pickens @ Blossom NB	1415			Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847						
Blossom @ Laurens EB	087			Park Place Apartments MB	1866						
Greene @ Gregg WB	1770			Founders Park (Williams @ Wheat NB)	1858						
Greene @ Barnwell WB	1765			Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853						
Greene @ Williams-Brice Nursing Building WB	1766			College @ Assembly WB	1232						
Blossom @ Sumter WB	4003			Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847						
Main @ Innovista Parking SB	1849			Assembly @ Blossom SB	1187						
Main @ Swearingen Engineering Center SB	1850			Assembly @ RR Tracks SB	1139						
Flora @ S Evans EB	1180	Assembly @ Whaley SB	1188								
Whaley @ Bates House EB & Marion @ Whaley NB	1848	YOUnion @ Whaley MB	1856								
16	Greek Village Express Inbound	Greek @ Village MB	1851	20	West Campus (Weekend)	Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853				
		Assembly @ Blossom SB	1187			College @ Assembly WB	1232				
		Sumter @ Coker Life Science NB	1865			Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847				
		Sumter @ School of Journalism NB	1845			Park Place Apartments MB	1866				
		Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853			Founders Park (Williams @ Wheat NB)	1858				
		16	Greek Village Express Outbound			Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853	20	West Campus (Weekend)	Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853
						Sumter @ Pendleton NB	1421			College @ Assembly WB	1232
						College @ Assembly WB	1232			Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847
						Lincoln @ Devine SB	20011			Assembly @ Blossom SB	1187
						Greek Village MB	1851			Assembly @ RR Tracks SB	1139
17	Green Loop			Heyward @ Academic Enrichment Center EB	1854	20	West Campus (Weekend)			Assembly @ Whaley SB	1188
				Whaley @ Bates House EB & Marion @ Whaley NB	1848					YOUnion @ Whaley MB	1856
				Sumter @ Band and Dance NB	1855					Whaley @ Gadsden WB	590
				Sumter @ Coker Life Science NB	1865					Park Place Apartments MB	1866
				Sumter @ School of Journalism NB	1845					Founders Park (Williams @ Wheat NB)	1858
		College @ Byrnes Building WB	1846	Sumter @ Horseshoe NB	1853						
		Main @ Innovista Parking SB	1849	College @ Assembly WB	1232						
		Main @ Swearingen Engineering Center SB	1850	Park @ College - Innovista Parking SB	1847						
		Flora @ S Evans EB	1180	Assembly @ Blossom SB	1187						
		Heyward @ Academic Enrichment Center EB	1854	Assembly @ RR Tracks SB	1139						

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UofSC South Carolina

Legend

- Landmark
- Hospital
- Park & Ride
- Transit Stop
- Blue Bike Station
- Campus Building
- Campus Parking
- Pass Outlet
- Piggly Wiggly Pass Outlet

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Route List

UofSC Transit Day Routes

- 13 North Loop
- 14 Express
- 15 Yellow
- 16 Greek Village Express
- 17 Green
- 18 Red
- 19 Blue
- 20 West Campus (Fall)
- 20 West Campus (Weekend)

The COMET Routes

- 0 The COMET Route
- 1 Soda Cap Connector 1
- 2 Soda Cap Connector 2
- 3 Soda Cap Connector 3
- 4 Soda Cap 4 The Orbit

Routes are Subject to Change