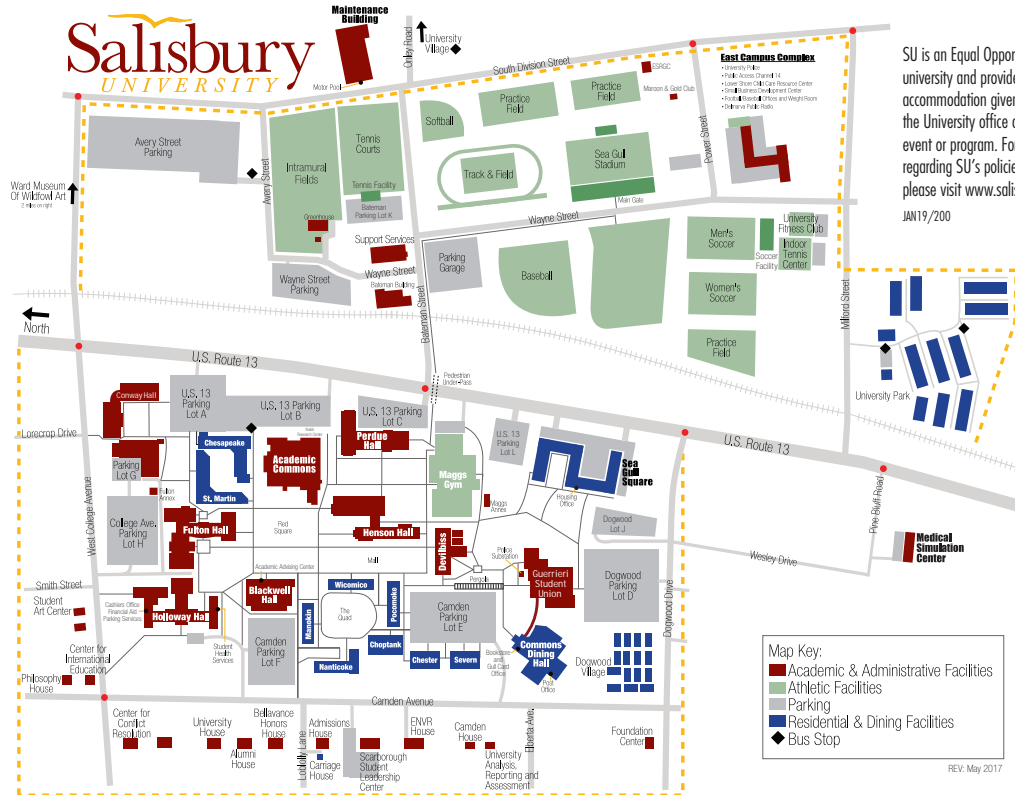




PRESTON

- **Hometown:** Chevy Chase, MD
- **Major:** Management
- **Activities:** Club Lacrosse, taking care of my puppy Steve, being an avid sports fan
- **What is a major factor for you as a commuter?** Reliable transportation is so important. Luckily, the shuttles and the buses run so often, it is easy for me to get to and from campus.
- **How do you commute to campus?** I walk, take the shuttle or drive myself to class.
- **How do you spend your breaks between classes on campus?** Eating something or other, or doing homework, usually both.
- **What advice would you give to new commuters at SU?** Get involved. As a transfer student from Arizona State, it was difficult to meet new people, but after getting involved with clubs and organizations, it has introduced me to some of my closest friends.



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CONNECTING COMMUTER STUDENTS TO THE SALISBURY UNIVERSITY CAMPUS



WELCOME!

Do you live in the residence halls or University Park? If you answered no, then you are a commuter student!

Being a commuter student is a unique circumstance because not only are you focused on your schoolwork, but also you may have a job and other responsibilities away from the Salisbury University campus.

The mission of Commuter Connections in the Guerrieri Student Union (GSU) is to advocate the needs of, provide programming for, as well as support and enhance the educational experience of commuter students. More specifically, we want to assist our commuters with making connections with other students, with faculty and staff and to the resources available.

Visit www.salisbury.edu/commuterconnections to find all the treasures that await you along with a full schedule of events planned for you this year.

The Commuter Connections Office is here to assist you throughout your college journey. We encourage you to use us as your resource for information, advice and any programming assistance. If you have a moment, please stop by the office in GSU Room 222 and introduce yourself.

Lawanda Dockins-Mills, Ph.D.

Associate Dean of Students



MISSION STATEMENT

Commuter Connections provides programs, resources and assistance to all Salisbury University commuter students in an effort to meet the needs and challenges unique to off-campus students while fostering a vital connection with the campus.

GOALS

The primary goals for Commuter Connections are:

- To serve as an advocate for University-wide efforts to increase services and programming for commuter students
- To serve as a central resource center for commuter students
- To connect commuter students with other students, faculty and staff

GETTING TO CAMPUS

Some of the major concerns that commuter students have are “How do I get to campus?” and “Where do I park?” The best way to address these concerns is to gather all necessary information before the first day of class. Here are some options:

Driving Your Car

Purchase a parking permit from Parking Services. They are located in Holloway Hall Room 219 (Cashier's Office). Their contact number is 410-543-6338 or visit: www.salisbury.edu/parking

Parking is as follows:

- Main Campus Permit: (Green)
Students with 30+ credits.
- Parking Garage Permit: (Purple)
Students with 30+ credits.
- East Campus Permit: (Orange)
Freshman students (0-29 credits) or anyone eligible to purchase a Main Campus permit that prefers to park in the East Campus lots.
- Evening Only Permit: (Blue)
All evening commuting students (Parking times: 4:45 p.m.-7:45 a.m. Monday-Friday).

Permits are sold on a first-come, first-served basis factoring in class standing and space availability.

Riding Your Bike

Cycling is an excellent way to travel around campus. Salisbury University offers bike racks all over campus for students who prefer to cycle. All cyclists should make sure that their bikes are locked at all times. A University Police-recommended bike lock may be purchased at the GSU Information Desk.

Shuttle Service

During fall and spring semesters, Salisbury University operates a free shuttle service between University Park, University Village and the Avery parking lot near Chesapeake Hall. Shuttle service between SU and UMES is provided by Shore Transit. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/shuttle

Riding the Bus

Shore Transit bus service runs through Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties. For more information and bus schedules, visit: www.shoretransit.org



Saferide

If you are looking for a ride home late at night on weekends, a good option is Saferide. Saferide is available at no cost for all Salisbury University students on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights within a 3-mile radius of the campus. For more information, call 410-677-5000 or visit: <http://saferide4.wixsite.com/salisbury>

Pedestrian Safety

The streets and sidewalks around the Salisbury University campus are frequently busy with motor vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Walk on sidewalks or paths and cross streets safely. Cross at corners using cross walks and traffic signals. If you are not in a crosswalk, wait until there is no traffic to cross. If using a phone, stop walking. Phones are distracting. Remove headphones when crossing the street. You want to be aware of all possible dangers such as approaching vehicles. Stay off freeways and other restricted zones. In the evenings, don't walk alone. Emergency blue light phones are placed at various locations throughout campus to use in case of an emergency. The line is a direct line of communication with the University Police Department.

Zipcar

With a Zipcar membership, you can reserve a car online or use your mobile device. Cars are located on campus with self-service access 24/7. Low hourly and daily rates include gas and insurance. For more information, visit: www.zipcar.com/universities/salisbury-university

Campus Security Escort Service

Security escort services are provided to those walking either on campus or between campus and nearby off-campus locations from dusk to dawn. To request the service, call 410-543-6222 or visit: www.salisbury.edu/police

Emergency Preparedness and Weather Emergencies

Students are encouraged by the University Police to sign up for voice/text messaging alerts in order to ensure rapid and widespread dissemination of information to the campus community in case of an emergency. Additionally, students can receive information on campus closings due to inclement weather by calling the Gull Line at 410-546-6425. Students can sign up for messaging alerts via their GullNet account or visit: www.salisbury.edu/emergency



SIESAR

- **Hometown:** Frederick, MD
- **Major:** Finance
- **Activities:** Cheerleading, Alpha Kappa Alpha
- **What is a major factor for you as a commuter?** The weather does affect my commute, it's always nice to leave 30-40 minutes before a class to be on time.
- **How do you commute to campus?** By car or by the University Park shuttle.
- **How do you spend your breaks between classes on campus?** I spend my time in the Commons, the library or in the Perdue Hall study rooms.
- **What advice would you give to new commuters at SU?** Make sure you have a reliable source of transportation. Also, make sure you make an effort to attend on-campus activities/events. Attending events and participating in activities will help you get to know more people outside of your classroom.

CAMPUS DINING

Salisbury University offers students a variety of on-campus dining options ranging from sit-down restaurants to grab and go for those on the run.

Commons Dining Hall

Enjoy all-you-can-eat dining featuring 10 different food kiosks and the Bistro, which serves a buffet-style meal.

Cool Beans Cyber Café

Cool Beans Cyber Café serves freshly brewed Starbucks coffee, baked goods, fruit smoothies and a variety of sandwiches. Cool Beans also has computers to surf the Internet and offers acoustic entertainment on selected weeknights.

Chesapeake Bay Roasting Company

Located in the Guerrieri Academic Commons, Chesapeake Bay Roasting Company provides coffee and other barista prepared beverages.



Satellite Dining

Satellite Dining offers breakfast biscuits, salads, subs, soup, pretzels, Seattle's Best coffee and more. Grab a quick to-go breakfast or lunch in between classes at one of these locations:

- **Fulton Plaza:** Located to the right of the Fulton Hall main entrance.
- **Shore Café at Henson:** Located on the first floor of the Henson Science Hall.
- **Mr. Arthur's Café:** Located on the first floor of Perdue Hall.
- **Auntie Anne's:** Located on the first floor of Perdue Hall.
- **Conway Café:** Located on the first floor of Conway Hall.
- **Chick-fil-A:** Located on the first floor of the Guerrieri Student Union.
- **Hungry Minds Express:** Located on the first floor of Guerrieri Academic Commons.

Commuter Meal Plans

Commuter students may pick from one of the following or any other traditional meal plan. Meal Plans can only be used in the Commons Dining Hall.

- **C:** 125 Block Meal Plan – 125 visits to the Commons per semester, \$350 in Dining Dollars. Includes 2 guest passes.
- **D:** 75 Block Meal Plan – 75 visits to the Commons per semester, \$350 in Dining Dollars. Includes 2 guest passes.
- **E:** 45 Block Meal Plan – 45 visits to the Commons per semester, \$100 in Dining Dollars. Includes two 2 guest passes.

For more information and costs, visit:
www.salisbury.edu/dining/mealplans.html

PAYMENT METHODS

Methods of payment accepted in most campus locations are as follows:

- **Gull Card:** Gull Card money is accepted at some off-campus locations, on-campus dining facilities and other venues around campus, including the Bookstore, vending machines, laundry facilities and many more. The money on a Gull Card never expires; it keeps rolling from semester to semester like a debit card. For information on the Gull Card, visit: <http://gullcard.salisbury.edu>
- **Dining Dollars:** These dollars are a separate account housed on the Gull Card along with your meal plan. They may be used at any campus dining facility and expire at the end of the semester. Purchases made with Dining Dollars are tax-free. To check balances, visit: www.gullcard.salisbury.edu
- **Other forms of payment:** Cash, Visa and MasterCard. For more information about on-campus dining services, visit: www.salisbury.edu/dining
- **Off-Campus Dining**
Several off-campus businesses accept the Gull Card. For a full list, visit: www.salisbury.edu/offcampusdining

OFF CAMPUS SERVICES

Off-Campus Housing Services

Information about housing in the area may be obtained in the following ways:

• Website

Visit the Off-Campus Housing website for useful information and a list of landlords in the area. You can also pick up a copy of the Off-Campus Housing brochure in GSU Room 222. Other useful brochures and booklets are also available. Learn more online at: www.salisbury.edu/offcampushousing

• Housing Fairs

SGA hosts several off-campus housing fairs throughout the fall and spring semesters. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/offcampushousing

• Local Listings

Look in *The Daily Times* newspaper for local listings. A copy is available at the Information Desk or you can purchase it from any gas station or supermarket.

• Roommate Search Assistance

Look at the “Roommate Binder” at the GSU Information Desk for a list of students looking for roommates. Also find other students looking for roommates on Campus Bulletin Digest emails. If you are not currently receiving the daily digest, you can subscribe at: <http://digest.salisbury.edu>

• Off-Campus Living Online Transition Program

The University has designed an online off-campus living transitional program to better prepare you for a rewarding experience in your new living environment. The Off-Campus Living Online Transition Program provides students with practical information about off-campus living, such as roommate selection, developing budgets, house hunting, insurance and much more.



SAMANTHA

- **Hometown:** Salisbury, MD
- **Major:** Biology (Pre Med) **Minors:** Chemistry, Psychology, Mathematics
- **Activities:** SGA, Saferide, Medical Career Society
- **What is a major factor for you as a commuter?**

Time management. The hardest part of living off campus is learning how to manage your time wisely. The sooner you learn to balance and determine your priorities, the more productive you will be.

- **How do you commute to campus?**
My amazing Hyundai Veloster.
- **How do you spend your breaks between classes on campus?** Working on homework, eating, SGA work and socializing with friends.
- **What advice would you give to new commuters at SU?** Get as involved as possible. Getting involved allows you to have a full college experience and make connections that you never could off campus.

ON CAMPUS SERVICES

Salisbury University offers many services and programs to make commuting to campus easier and to help facilitate the connection to campus life. Services include:

• Lounge Areas

Students with time between classes who want to relax may stop in the Fireside Lounge located in the east wing of the GSU. The lounge has cozy furniture, flat-panel televisions, video games (which are available for check out from the Information Desk), group collaboration work areas, study carrels, computer terminals, ping-pong and pool tables, as well as a vending area. Other lounge areas are located in Fulton Hall, Henson Science Hall, Perdue Hall and Conway Hall.

• Commuter Lounge

Located on the first floor of the GSU, the Commuter Lounge provides an opportunity for students to socialize, study, watch television and/or rest.

• Microwaves

Microwaves for student use can be found in the Cool Beans Café in the GSU.

• Campus-Wide WiFi

Salisbury University has WiFi available in all major buildings and administrative areas. For information on how to connect a personal device, visit: www.salisbury.edu/helpdesk

• Computer Labs

Computer labs are located around campus in Fulton Hall, Henson Science Hall, Devilbiss Hall, Perdue Hall, Conway Hall and the Guerrieri Academic Commons.

• Writing Center

The Writing Center is located in the Guerrieri Academic Commons. The Writing Center is free and available to all students. This is a useful place to go for help and feedback regarding papers. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/uwc

• Center for Student Achievement

If you need help achieving academic success, the Center for Student Achievement is there for you. Located in the Guerrieri Academic Commons, they offer a variety of services that aim at ensuring that SU students reach their academic potential. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/achievement

• Post Office

To send a package or mail a letter between classes, the post office is located on the ground floor of the Commons. Purchases can be made with cash, Gull Card and credit/debit cards (minimum \$5 purchase). Students may also drop off mail and purchase stamps at the GSU Information Desk located on the first floor. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/postoffice

• Student Health Services

Student Health Services provides confidential treatment of illnesses and injuries to all SU students through a well-equipped facility and certified, experienced, professional staff. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/health

• ATMs

There are ATMs located conveniently on campus. In the GSU, across from the Student Activities Office is an ATM run by the State Employees Credit Union (SECU). In the Commons, Guerrieri Academic Commons and Holloway Hall there are ATMs that are run by PNC Financial Services Group (PNC).

• Information Desk

The Information Desk located in the GSU offers a variety of services to support the collegiate experience. These include:

- Video and board games
- Daily newspapers
- Fax service
- Lamination
- Stamps
- Tickets for campus events
- Lost and found
- Discounted movie tickets
- Bicycle locks
- On-campus maps

For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/gsuinformationdesk



IMPORTANT WEBSITES

- **Academics:** www.salisbury.edu/provost
- **Admissions:** www.salisbury.edu/admissions
- **Athletics:** www.suseagulls.com
- **Career Services:** www.salisbury.edu/careerservices
- **Center for Student Achievement:**
www.salisbury.edu/achievement
- **Center for Student Involvement and Leadership:**
www.salisbury.edu/csil
- **Counseling Services:** www.salisbury.edu/counseling
- **Dining Services:** www.salisbury.edu/dining
- **Disability Support Services:**
www.salisbury.edu/students/drc
- **Financial Aid:** www.salisbury.edu/finaid
- **Guerrieri Student Union:** www.salisbury.edu/guc
- **Guerrieri Student Union Events:**
www.salisbury.edu/guc
- **International Student Services:**
www.salisbury.edu/isso
- **Multicultural Student Services:**
www.salisbury.edu/multicultural
- **Off-Campus Housing:**
www.salisbury.edu/commuters/offcampushousing
- **Parking Services:** www.salisbury.edu/parking
- **Student Affairs:** www.salisbury.edu/students
- **Student Health Services:** www.salisbury.edu/health
- **Student Transitions:**
www.salisbury.edu/newstudexp
- **University Police:** www.salisbury.edu/police
- **Volunteer Center:** www.salisbury.edu/volunteer

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Being involved in campus life is an essential part of the university experience. A big concern that many commuter students have is feeling disconnected to the University. Commuter Connections aims to help commuter students overcome this concern.

Check Out Events Specifically Designed for Commuter Students!

- **Commuter Welcome**
The beginning of the fall semester
This is a great way to start your semester and become more aware of the resources available for commuter students, as well as meet other commuter students. Check out the Commuter Connections website for more information at:
www.salisbury.edu/commuters
- **Commuter Meal Series**
Join us for a meal and a workshop to discuss topics that are important to students, such as stress management, how to become involved on campus, services offered to commuters and more! Check out the Commuter Connections website or the calendar for dates and locations!
www.salisbury.edu/commuters



OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

- **Sundaes On Mondays/ S'mores Social**
Last Monday of Each Month, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Commuter Lounge, first floor of the Guerrieri Student Union
Stop by the Commuter Lounge and grab a sweet treat. Take advantage of the opportunity to meet other commuter students and relax between classes.
- **Good Morning, Commuters!**
Every Wednesday, 8:30-10 a.m., Commuter Lounge, first floor of the Guerrieri Student Union
Stop into the Commuter Lounge and grab a complimentary cup of coffee and a pastry to start the day. This is a great way to interact with other commuter students.
- **GSU Events!**
GSU Events provides fun and engaging activities in the GSU from video game tournaments, ping pong and pool tournaments to trivia nights and cooking classes. We provide a little something for everyone. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/guc
- **Center for Student Involvement and Leadership**
There are many clubs and organizations which help students stay involved in campus and community life. This is a great opportunity to interact with other students. For more information, visit: www.salisbury.edu/csil
- **Intramurals/ Campus Recreation**
This is a good way to stay in shape and meet other students with similar interests. Learn more at:
www.salisbury.edu/campusrec

