VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Bringing a Car to campus? Here is a short list of items you may want to consider.

1. Is the vehicle registered? All motor vehicles on campus are required to properly registered.

2. Where do you plan to park?  
   Use of University Parking Lots require a current parking permit, that can be purchased at the University Police Department

3. Has your vehicle been checked for the winter conditions?  
   Your car will be sitting out in the elements of the season, twenty-four hours a day.
   - Radiator ready for winter temps?
   - Battery ready for winter temps?

4. Keep a spare key for your vehicle in your room  
   The University Police Department provides the service of unlocking your vehicle if you happen to lock your keys inside your car, free of charge, but it would be easier and more convenient for you to have a second key.

5. Things to carry inside your vehicle  
   - Jumper Cables  
     University Police cannot jumpstart any vehicle with the squad car due to radio and electronic equipment inside.
   - Ice Scraper
   - Shovel  
     The shovel comes in handy in the winter, to shovel your vehicle out after the plows come through and clear the Parking lots.

6. Do you have a vehicle insurance card in the vehicle or your wallet?

VEHICLE SECURITY

Vehicle break-ins are not uncommon on college campuses. It only takes seconds to break into a vehicle, rummage through it, and leave with your valuables. It is impossible to protect vehicles parked in an open parking lot 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you plan to bring a car to campus, please follow these suggestions:

- Do not leave anything of value in your vehicle including purses, wallets, CD’s, and money.
- If possible, leave expensive stereo equipment, speakers, etc. at home. Anything that is in plain view to a passerby is likely to be a target.
- If you have a trunk release inside the passenger compartment, or seats that fold down to expose the trunk, do not keep anything of value in the trunk as well.
- Always lock your doors and check to make sure each and every door has locked.
- Do not leave your vehicle parked for long periods of time without checking on it.