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Graduate Group in Integrative
Pathobiology

Graduate Student Handbook

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THE BASICS

Welcome to UC Davis and to the Graduate Group in Integrative Pathobiology (GGIP)! Although academic life is not new to you, we would like to help you become familiar with the UC Davis graduate education environment.

Where is Davis?

Davis is a centrally located, small northern California city with a small-town feel. It has a population of 69,000, so you are likely to run into someone you know while buying fresh bread, fruits, and vegetables at the [farmers' market](#), riding your bicycle around town, or participating in one of the numerous intellectual and cultural activities offered by the city and the University. The climate in the Northern central valley is fairly temperate—summers are hot, sunny, and dry; winters are generally mild and rainy, *but can occasionally be chilly*. Davis is 15 miles from Sacramento, the state capital, an hour and thirty-minute drive from the excitement and culture of San Francisco, and two and a half hours from the snow and camping at beautiful Lake Tahoe.

Airport Information

Davis is twenty miles from the Sacramento International Airport (SMF) and ninety miles from the San Francisco International Airport (SFO). It is easier to fly into Sacramento, since transportation into Davis is less expensive and more straightforward. An Uber/Lyft ride from the Sacramento airport will cost about \$50, or you can make arrangements with the less-expensive **Davis Airporter Service** to have them meet you and take you to the address in Davis that you request. The ride costs \$35 (one-way) for one person and \$25/person for two people. Contact them at least a day in advance before your arrival at (530) 756-6715 or (800) 565-5153.

Even less expensive than the Davis Airporter is the **Yolobus** service. Yolobus line #42B leaves the Sacramento airport every hour between 7:05 a.m. and 11:43 p.m. and arrives at the Memorial Union on campus about one hour later. The ride costs \$2.25 per person. Undergraduate students incur a bus fee in their tuition that enables them to show their Aggie Card and ride 'for free'. Graduate students do not incur this fee and must pay.

Go to: www.davisairporter.com
www.yolobus.com
<https://unitrans.ucdavis.edu/fares/>

In addition to Sacramento International Airport, there are two additional airports in the Bay Area. **Oakland International Airport** is located 77 miles from Davis and **San Francisco International Airport** is located 85 miles from Davis. Less expensive flights may be found into these two airports.

Housing

This can be one of the biggest headaches for a new graduate student who is unfamiliar with Davis or lives far away. However, don't worry! We're here to help. The vacancy rate in Davis is extremely low, so competition for the best houses/apartments/duplexes/etc. is stiff and housing prices are expensive. The **UC Davis Student Housing Office** (530) 752-2033 will provide you with on-campus living and married/family student housing information. ***If you are an international student, be sure to organize housing as soon as possible.***

Go to: <https://chl.ucdavis.edu/>
<http://housing.ucdavis.edu/>

Many property management companies in Davis rent out houses, duplexes, condos, and apartments. **King Properties** (530) 753-0121; **Zabace Properties** (530) 757-2818; and **Tandem Properties** (530) 756-5075 are three of the most popular.

Go to: www.kingproperties.com
www.zabace.com
www.tandemproperties.com

Craig's List Sacramento, **DavisWiki**, and the Incoming UC Davis Graduate Students Facebook page are additional housing resources.

Go to: <http://sacramento.craigslist.org/>
www.daviswiki.com
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ucdavisgradstudents/>

Most returning students begin looking in March or April for places to live in the fall. However, don't worry if you don't decide to come to UC Davis until later in the spring or even the summer. People are always looking for someone to fill a vacancy in a house or apartment or seeking someone with whom to share a house or apartment. Just check the resources above.

Initial Costs

If you have been offered a research (GSR) or teaching (TA) assistantship, you will not get your first paycheck until **about five weeks after you begin work (November 1; this is because you must work an entire monthly paycheck cycle before being paid, and pay checks are only issued once per month, so you need to budget wisely)**. If you have been awarded a GGIP fellowship (or other internal fellowship) which includes a monthly stipend, you get your payment based on the disbursement schedule shown [here](#).

2023-2024 [Tuition and fees](#) (including health insurance) are \$20,745.50 annually (\$6,915.17 per quarter). Non-residents incur an *additional* \$5,034 per quarter. These costs are always subject to change by the California Legislature. It is recommended to have at

least \$1300 per month set aside for monthly living expenses. Credit cards are not accepted by the University Cashier's Office for payment of tuition and fees. Employment as a GSR includes full fees, tuition, and health insurance. Employment as a TA includes full tuition, fees, and health insurance. TA positions do not cover NRST. Fellowships will state what is included in the student financial support letter. For more information on student financial support can be found [here](#).

Go to: <https://budget.ucdavis.edu/student-resources/tuition-fees> for the most up-to-date information on tuition and fees and a detail of what the student fees cover including **mandatory** student health insurance (covered in the fees)

Getting around town

Bikes, bikes, and more bikes. They're everywhere! Davis is sometimes referred to as "The Bicycle Capital of the United States" because of the large numbers of people who use the bicycle as their main form of transportation. The city is ideal for bike riding with its flat terrain and its wide bike lanes, which can be found all over town and on campus. Davis has many bicycle shops to buy new bicycles and used bicycles can be found in the local newspaper (the Davis Enterprise) and on bulletin boards on campus and throughout the town. Bicycles are stolen *fairly frequently* **if not locked**, so be sure to invest in a good U-lock and try not to leave your bicycle overnight on campus. One more bike tip: buy fenders. They go over the wheels and prevent water on the ground from creating what is known affectionately as the "Freshmen Stripe" on your back. Bicycling is the most efficient and least expensive way to get around campus. Biking accidents do happen, so please protect your brain! [Helmet Hair Don't Care](#) will provide you with a FREE helmet! If you choose to drive a car to campus you should become familiar with the [parking lot restrictions and costs](#) for student parking permits and be prepared to walk from the lots to inner campus.

The other major form of transportation is the bus. **Unitrans** is the student run bus line that runs throughout the city. Buses leave directly from the Memorial Union (MU) or Silo on campus and go to most parts of town. Information on routes and fares can be found [online](#). **Yolobus** serves Yolo County and links Davis to downtown Sacramento and to Woodland.

Go to: <https://unitrans.ucdavis.edu/>
<https://yolobus.com/>
https://taps.ucdavis.edu/bicycleprogram/parking_security
<https://taps.ucdavis.edu/parking/permit>

Zipcar! There are multiple places on campus and around Davis where you can pick up a zip car and drop it off. What is Zipcar? It is an hourly based car rental. It is a great alternative to public transportation if you are going on a short trip or have errands to run around town.

Go to: <https://www.zipcar.com/universities/university-of-california-davis>

GRADUATE GROUP IN INTEGRATIVE PATHOBIOLOGY (GGIP) AND ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Registration (SISWEB)

New students, it is best that you plan out your class schedule as soon as possible and be prepared to register for fall quarter by late August/early September. In addition to the classes offered by the Graduate Group, many elective classes are offered outside of the GGIP. The best resource for the variety of classes offered at the University in the upcoming quarter is the **Class Search Tool**. Use the 'Subject Area' drop-down box. A complete list of course subject codes can be found [here](#). Common course codes that our students search/take courses from include: ANB, ABG, ANG, ANS, BCB, BIS, BIM, BST, BIT, CHA, CLH, DEB, GGG, IMM, MMI, MIB, MIC, MCB, MCP, NPB, NSC, PMI, PTX, STA, and UWP.

You can register for your classes online using **SISWEB or Schedule Builder**. GGIP Core Course registration numbers (CRN) can be obtained from the graduate group coordinator or by looking on the GGIP [website](#). Note, GGIP core courses are not scheduled in Registrar Rooms, so class room numbers will not show in schedule builder. Please look on the GGIP website. For other elective classes offered outside of the GGIP, you may need to contact the professor who is teaching the class for permission to add the course and the CRN number. **To be registered as a full-time student, you MUST sign-up for a minimum of 12 units per quarter.**

Go to: <http://sisweb.ucdavis.edu>
<https://students.my.ucdavis.edu/schedulebuilder/>
<https://registrar.ucdavis.edu/courses/search/index.cfm>

Registration Appointment Times

Graduate students do not have assigned registration appointment times and may enroll in classes anytime Monday-Friday 6:00 am – midnight and Saturday and Sunday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm. The only exception to this is during registration freezes.

Graduate students may not enroll in more than 16 units of upper division and graduate level courses combined, or in more than 12 units of graduate level coursework, without the approval of the Associate Dean of Graduate Studies.

As a continuing student, you will receive an email from the graduate program coordinator (GPC) when registration opens. Please register early, as classes do fill up. Also included in the registration email from the GPC are PMI 299 CRNs for each faculty. If your faculty prefers you to use a 299 CRN with their department, they will need to provide it to you. Registration emails for Fall, Winter, and Spring quarter registration will go out in May, November, and February, respectively.

Graduate (Academic) Adviser

A Graduate Adviser will be assigned to you in the GGIP. They are available to talk with you about your course plan (MS or PhD) and track your progress throughout the program. Your Graduate Adviser is the first point of contact for any conflict resolution, concerns with your mentor, lab, or funding. If you have any questions about the coursework, electives, examination and thesis/dissertation research contact your Graduate Academic Adviser. GGIP requests that all students meet with their academic advisor quarterly in years 1 and 2. All students are required to meet with their academic advisor at least once a year to go over their annual student progress report.

Major Professor (Mentor/PI):

The role of the major professor is very important. Your major professor is also known as your primary mentor or the Principal Investigator in your lab. They will guide you throughout the program and oversee your research project. They will also act as the chair of your dissertation committee (or MS thesis committee) and are crucial in securing funding for your dissertation project. Finding a major professor that fits your needs as soon as possible will ensure that you meet goals within the targeted timeline. Also, do not feel the need to apologize for making an appointment to meet with your major professor or any other professor at UCD. Professors are here to help graduate students with their studies and research.

Major professors are responsible for communicating to their student(s) how they will be paid the entire year. If they hire you as a GSR, their department is responsible for providing you with a GSR appointment letter and for communicating who in their department is responsible for submitting your hiring ticket. If you don't know who the hiring staff is, please ask!

Funding

Academic Appointments

The most common form of graduate support, [teaching and research assistantships](#), include a salary and tuition & fee remission (including student health insurance). Recipients are assigned to a major professor who supervises the experience. Graduate assistants support undergraduate or professional school instruction as TAs OR undertake research projects, as GSRs. Appointments are available only to graduate students who are registered for courses and enrolled in degree programs. Students whose first language is not English will be required to demonstrate [a sufficient level of English language proficiency](#) in order to receive a teaching assistantship.

Students should actively look for TAships 1-2 quarters in advance. Departments post applications on their website and/or on [Handshake](#).

More information on understanding your graduate student funding can be found [here](#). Information on the New Bargaining Agreements can be found [here](#).

Fellowships

Fellowships are highly prestigious financial support packages that typically include a stipend and cover tuition & fees (including student health insurance). They derive from University or outside awards. Unlike academic employment, they do not have a required instruction or research responsibilities. Recipients must be enrolled in a degree program and be registered full-time. Find out more information about Graduate Studies' fellowship competitions for [incoming](#) and [continuing graduate students](#).

Fellowships are paid through Banner and are reported on your 1098-T. Information on fellowship disbursement dates can be found [here](#).

If you are awarded an internal fellowship from Graduate Studies, please reach out to them directly (internalfellowships@ucdavis.edu) about whether you are able to accept other fellowships or employment.

Loans and Financial Aid

A variety of aid is available for all income levels, including various types of student educational loans ([Graduate and Professional Student Loans](#), [Short-Term and Emergency Loans](#)), grants, and [Work-Study](#) funding. Contact your graduate program regarding the availability of work-study funding. Financial Aid is awarded on the basis of demonstrated financial need, and is administered by the office of [Financial Aid and Scholarships](#). Check the [Financial Aid and Scholarships](#) website for important dates and deadlines related to financial aid.

Fellowships	https://grad.ucdavis.edu/financial-support
Job Listing	https://grad.ucdavis.edu/resources/student-employment
	https://icc.ucdavis.edu/employer/handshake
MCB Job App	https://www.mcb.ucdavis.edu/jobs/

Course Information

Prerequisites:

All students are expected to have a strong background in Cell Biology and the equivalent of the below UC Davis courses. Please talk with your graduate academic advisor if you have not taken a comparable course.

STA 100 Applied Statistics

4 units

You can use Fall quarter to complete the two deficiency courses above. STA 100 and BIS 104 are undergraduate courses, meaning they fill up fast. If you have to take these courses, please make sure to register ASAP. Both courses undergo [prerequisite checking](#). If you submit a prerequisite petition and do not hear back within a week, please follow up with the instructor of record. You must take Cell Biology before you take PMI 201. STA 100 is required before you take PMI 203.

Master's Degree:

The Integrative Pathobiology Graduate Group follows the MS Plan I. This plan requires 30 units of upper division and graduate courses (the 100 and 200 series only) and the submission of a thesis based on original research. The course requirements must be fulfilled by taking [18 units](#) of core, elective, and variable (200+) unit courses, which include research seminars and journal clubs. Elective courses are chosen in consultation with your academic adviser and major professor. The remaining 12 units must be research units (for example, PMI 299) from the major professor or other collaborating faculty. All students are also required to complete the [RCR Seminar Series](#), hosted by the UC Davis Office of Research. To receive credit for the series, students must attend 8 *different* seminars to earn a certificate. RCR seminar series certificates should be provided to your academic adviser and the graduate group coordinator. To be clear, you do not register for this course using SISWEB. Please check back in September regarding the 2020-2021 schedule. A Master's of Science degree will be awarded upon fulfillment of the degree requirements. The minimum residency requirements for the MS degree is three quarters, but the amount of time spent by most students in this program is six to nine quarters. The thesis fulfills the capstone requirement.

Course Requirements - Core and Electives (18 units)

a) Core Courses (18 units)

PMI 201	Integrative Pathobiology Core I	5 units
PMI 202	Integrative Pathobiology Core II	4 units
PMI 203	Experimental Design	2 units
PMI 270	Advanced Immunology	3 units
PMI 200	Foundations In Research	1 unit
MPM 209	Scientific Writing	1 unit
Variable (200+)	Research Seminar or Journal Club	1 unit
Elective(s)	See Below	1+ unit
RCR series	Ethics	0 units

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<http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/research-ethics-rcr-program/>

b) Elective Courses (1+ units)

Electives should accommodate special interests of the student within the broad field of Integrative Pathobiology. Examples of fields of specialization in which electives may be taken are virology, infectious disease, immunology, pulmonary biology, environmental disease, neurobiology, developmental and stem cell biology, cancer biology, toxicology, cell biology and molecular pathobiology. There is a wide latitude in the electives that the students may pursue, although the electives must be consistent with the student's thesis project and be approved by the student's graduate adviser. Examples of electives taken by our students include:

MCB 121	Molecular Biology of Eukaryotic Cells	3 units
MCB 161	Molecular Genetics	3 units
MMI 280	Molecular Pathology of Human and Animal Diseases	3 units
IMM 203	Cancer Immunology	2 units
MIC 262	Advanced General and Molecular Virology	2 units
BIM 189C	Clinical Applications for Biomedical Device Design	2 units

Summary

Plan I.

The student is required to take a minimum of 30 quarter units of upper division and graduate course work and submit a thesis based on original research. The course requirements must be fulfilled by taking [18 units](#) of core, elective, and (200+) variable unit courses, which include research seminars and journal clubs. Electives are chosen with the approval of the graduate adviser. The remaining 12 units must be research units (for example, XXX 299) from the major professor or other collaborating faculty.

Full-time students must enroll for 12 units per quarter including research, academic and seminar units. Courses that fulfill any of the program requirements may not be taken S/U unless the course is normally graded S/U. Once course requirements are completed, students can take additional classes as needed, although the 12 units per quarter are generally fulfilled with research units (XXX 299) and perhaps seminars.

Thesis Requirements:

Research for the Master's thesis is to be carried out under the supervision of a faculty member of the group and must represent an original contribution to knowledge in the field. The thesis research must be conducted while the student is enrolled in the program. The thesis must be filed in a quarter in which the student is registered or on Filing Fee. The thesis is submitted to the thesis committee at least one month before the student plans to make requested revisions. All committee members must approve the thesis and sign the title page before the thesis is submitted to Graduate Studies for final approval.

Should the committee determine that the thesis is unacceptable, a recommendation to disqualify the student will be made to the Dean of Graduate Studies. The group strongly

recommends that at least one manuscript derived from the thesis be submitted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal before the thesis is finally approved.

Instructions on preparation of the thesis and [quarterly deadlines](#) for filing the thesis in final, signed form are available from [Graduate Studies](#). A student must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 for the M.S. degree to be awarded.

An exit seminar is required. Satisfaction of this requirement should be verified by the Thesis Committee Chair. The Exit Seminar is a formal public presentation of the student's research before the program faculty and students. This presentation can be arranged with Erin Kent or with the staff of the student's home department. The exit seminar can be scheduled throughout the year. Adequate scheduling of the exit seminar is the student's responsibility.

PhD Degree:

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy is given under dissertation Plan B. An exit seminar is required.

Course Requirements - Core and Electives (20 units)

a) Core Courses (20 units)

PMI 200	Research Foundations	1 unit
PMI 201	Integrative Pathobiology Core I	5 units
PMI 202	Integrative Pathobiology Core II	4 units
PMI 203	Experimental Design	2 units
PMI 270	Advanced Immunology	3 units
PMI 290	Qualifying Exam preparation	1 unit
MPM 209	Scientific Writing	1 unit
Variable (200+)	Research Seminar or Journal Club	1 unit
Elective:	See Below	2 units
RCR series	Ethics	0 units

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<http://research.ucdavis.edu/policiescompliance/research-ethics-rcr-program/>

b) Elective Courses (2 units required)

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MIC	262	Advanced General and Molecular Virology	2 units
BIM	189C	Clinical Applications for Biomedical Device Design	2 units

Summary:

The student is required to take a minimum of 30 quarter units of upper division and graduate course work (100 and 200 series) and submit a dissertation based on original research. The course requirements must be fulfilled by taking **20 units** of core, elective, and (200 +) variable unit courses, which include research seminars and journal clubs. Elective courses are chosen with the approval of the graduate adviser. The remaining 10 units must be research units (for example, XXX 299) from the major professor or other collaborating faculty.

Full-time students must enroll for 12 units per quarter including research, academic and seminar units. Courses that fulfill any of the program requirements may not be taken S/U unless the course is normally graded S/U. Once course requirements are completed, students can take additional classes as needed, although the 12 units per quarter are generally fulfilled with research units (XXX 299) and perhaps seminars.

Annual Progress Report and Dissertation Committee Meeting

In addition to completing MS/PhD coursework, Graduate Studies and GGIP **REQUIRE** that all graduate students complete the annual online Student Progress Assessment (SPA) report by June 15th of each academic year. Students must meet in person with both their major professor and their academic adviser to discuss progress. Once the student has advanced to candidacy, they must hold a meeting with their dissertation/thesis committee prior to meeting with their academic adviser to discuss their annual progress. The entire dissertation/thesis committee must meet together. If you are having trouble scheduling this meeting, please let Erin Kent know.

Qualifying Examination and Dissertation requirements:

PhD students will complete all course requirements before taking their Qualifying Examination (QE). Passing this exam makes the student eligible for Advancement to Candidacy, and per the GGIP compensation plan, a step increase (pay increase). The qualifying exam should be taken by the 6th quarter and no later than the end of the 9th quarter after admission to the Ph.D. program. In order to make satisfactory academic progress. Students **MUST** Advance to Candidacy by the end of the 9th quarter.

The primary purpose of the QE is to validate that the student is academically qualified to conceptualize a research topic, undertake scholarly research and successfully produce the dissertation required for a doctoral degree. The QE must evaluate the student's command of the field, ensuring that the student has both breadth and depth of

knowledge, and must not focus solely on the proposed dissertation research. In addition, the QE provides an opportunity for the committee to provide important guidance to the student regarding his/her chosen research topic.

The QE will consist of written and oral examinations. First-year students are encouraged to attend the QE prep seminar held annually in the Spring.

Dissertation

1. Exit Seminar

The dissertation follows Plan B with a required exit seminar. Satisfaction of this requirement must be verified by the Dissertation Committee Chair. The Exit Seminar is a formal public presentation of the student's research before the program faculty and students. This presentation can be arranged with the staff of the graduate group or with the staff of the student's home department. The exit seminar can be scheduled throughout the year. The Dissertation Committee should not sign the Dissertation until after the exit seminar has taken place. Adequate scheduling of the exit seminar is the responsibility of the student.

2. Dissertation: General Requirements

Filing of a Ph.D. dissertation with the Office of Graduate Studies is normally the last requirement satisfied by the candidate. The [quarterly deadlines](#) for completing this requirement are listed on the Graduate Studies website. A candidate must be a registered student or on Filing Fee status at the time of filing a dissertation, with the exception of the summer period between the end of the Spring Quarter and the beginning of Fall Quarter. The Ph.D. Dissertation will be prepared, submitted, and filed according to regulations instituted by the Office of Graduate Studies <http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/students/filing.html>. Satisfaction of this requirement must be verified by the Dissertation Committee Chair.

International Students

Please refer to the **Services for International Students & Scholars** office for all questions related to international student status, passport, visas, etc. In addition, the office assists international students in their pre-arrival preparation and provides immigration advice, financial information, general advising and counseling, and a variety of cross-cultural activities. Due to these services, international students are charged a [one-time administrative fee](#) of \$159.

Go to: <http://siss.ucdavis.edu/>

ADDITIONAL GRADUATE STUDENT RESOURCES AT UC DAVIS

Office of Graduate Studies:

The Office of Graduate Studies, commonly referred to as simply “Grad Studies,” is located at 250 Mrak Hall. Since you’ve already been accepted to UC Davis, you’ve no doubt already visited its website. Grad Studies has a wealth of information on its website. If you have a question about anything and can’t find someone to ask, check out the website. It contains information on fees, funding, living in Davis, deadlines, degree requirements, [forms](#), graduate student academic employment (GSR, TA, AI), residency status, etc. The GGIP contact in the Office of Graduate Studies is: Rachel Ann De Los Reyes radelosreyes@ucdavis.edu.

Go to: <http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu>

Graduate Student Association (GSA)

The UC Davis Graduate Student Association (GSA) is a student-driven representative organization linking students of the diverse graduate programs across the campus. Funded by graduate student fees, GSA provides services to graduate students and protects and promotes their interests at all levels of University administration. Regularly enrolled graduate students, professional students in the Graduate School of Management, and professional students in the teaching credential program are automatically GSA members. The GSA offers coffee and donuts every Friday from 8:30-10:30am, holds social events throughout the school year, and offers travel awards to graduate students. The GSA office/lounge is located at 253 South Silo.

Go to: <http://gsa.ucdavis.edu>

Association of Graduate Student Employees

Go to: <http://www.uaw2865.org/>

Student Health and Wellness Center

Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP)

Health insurance is mandatory. You may enroll in SHIP or submit a waiver showing proof of outside insurance. SHIP provides medical, dental, and vision coverage. Spouses and/or children can be added to SHIP coverage at the student’s expense. **Please let Erin Kent know if you plan to waive SHIP.** This will prevent possible overpayments. Also, please pay close attention to the [waiver application deadlines](#).

Go to: <https://shcs.ucdavis.edu/insurance/ship-benefits-information>

Medical Services at the Student Health and Wellness Center

[SHCS](#) Medical Services, including Insurance Services, is conveniently located on the West side of campus at the Student Health & Wellness Center (SHWC). The center is located on La Rue Road between Hutchison Drive and Orchard Road, across the street from the Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) and next to the Colleges at La Rue. Access to the closest parking ([lot 35](#)) is on Orchard Road. SHCS are AVAILABLE TO ALL registered students regardless of insurance coverage.

To make an appointment call (530)752-2349 or use the website.

To speak with an advice nurse call – (530)752-2349 during regular business hours or (530) 752-2300 when the SCHC is closed.

SHCS Counseling Services at North Hall

SHCS Counseling Services is located in the center of the core campus at North Hall. North Hall faces the east side of the quad and is next to Dutton Hall and South Hall. This part of campus is not accessible by car; however, there is plenty of bicycle parking in front and North Hall is close to the Memorial Union bus stop. The nearest metered and paid/permit parking lots are the [North Entry Parking Structure](#) and the [VP 5](#) parking lot.

To speak with someone in counseling services call – (530)752-2349. Appointments can be made online.

For students with families (spouses and children), restrictions exist for family members to be included in the graduate student's health care policy. These restrictions differ for domestic and international students. If you require health care for your family, be sure to get information from SHCS directly regarding this issue.

Go to: <http://shcs.ucdavis.edu/>

Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS)

Are you going to bring a car to UC Davis and are you going to drive it to campus? Then, you have to buy a parking permit and TAPS is the place to do this. A parking permit costs ~ \$500 for the entire year (prices are based on the starting date of the permit, so they may vary). Current prices are found [here](#). The other main function of TAPS is to issue bicycle licenses. The permits are \$12 for a two-year period (\$6 to renew), your bike will be registered and, if stolen, you'll have a much better chance of retrieving it.

*Please note that students and employees living in residence halls, including Solano Park, Russell Park, LaRue Park, The Colleges at LaRue, Primero Grove, 8th and Wake, and West Village are **NOT** eligible to purchase long term campus day use permits. Details may be found [here](#).

TAPs also provides motorist assistance. The services provided include: Lock Out Service; Tire Inflation; Ride to a Gas Station; and Jump Start. Call (530) 752-8277.

Go to: www.taps.ucdavis.edu

The Pantry

The [Pantry](#) is housed at the UC Davis Memorial Union #154 (first floor). Students must only present a valid UC Davis ID Card in order to receive three nutritional meals, food items, or toiletries per day. The staff at The Pantry will never record any personal information about the students, and will strive to ensure that every student visiting the Pantry or utilizing its services will retain a high level of anonymity.

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