



Resolution No. 1819-12
A Resolution Regarding Graduate and Professional Student Parking

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HERE GATHERED THAT:

- WHEREAS,** It was announced at the March 2019 GPC General Assembly meeting that graduate and professional students will be able to automatically renew their current parking passes for the 2019-2020 Academic year; and
- WHEREAS,** To the best of the General Assembly's knowledge, the plan of action presented at the March 2019 meeting is provisional; and
- WHEREAS,** There was generally a positive reaction to the news that the Department of Parking and Transportation Services will try something new for graduate and professional students; and
- WHEREAS,** Despite the generally positive reaction to the aforementioned news there were still some concerns about how this will affect all eligible students; and
- WHEREAS,** The current plan to automatically renew a parking pass will require any graduate or professional student who opts-in to be enrolled in 1 or more credit hours for the Fall 2019 semester by July 1, 2019; and
- WHEREAS,** Any charges posted to a student's account prior to July 20th, 2019—such as those related to credit hours for a Fall 2019 course—will be billed to that student before any tuition waivers or student stipends will be applied to their account; and
- WHEREAS,** The current plan to automatically renew a parking pass includes a convenience surcharge that will be added to the cost of a parking pass purchased via the auto-renewal system; and
- WHEREAS,** It was understood by the General Assembly that this convenience surcharge is intended to only offset any increase in overtime during the Summer of 2019 during which this auto-renewal system will produce more work than was anticipated or budgeted for in this year's Parking and Transportation budget; and
- WHEREAS,** The aforementioned tuition bill and convenience surcharge will non-trivially increase the cost for a parking pass when a student chooses to opt-in for auto renewal; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** By majority vote of the General Assembly here gathered that it is the determination of this body that the aforementioned non-trivial increases will certainly disenfranchise some students who cannot afford these non-trivial increases; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That these non-trivial increases in cost for an auto-renewal parking pass should be mitigated as much as possible or avoided altogether if possible; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the Graduate Professional Council hereby announces the following recommendations in a sign of good faith and in the spirit of collaboration with the Department of Parking and Transportation Services so as to mitigate any unreasonable increases in the cost of a parking pass for when a student opts-in to the auto-renewal system; and be it further



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- RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly here gathered encourages the Department of Parking and Transportation Services to explore the possibility of waiving the requirement that a student must be enrolled in one or more credit hours for the Fall 2019 semester and instead offer this auto-renewal service to all and only those students currently enrolled for the Spring 2019 semester; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly here gathered encourages the Department of Parking and Transportation Services to explore the possibility of postponing the requirement for being enrolled (if it cannot be waived entirely) to July 20th or later, as after this date any tuition-related charges made will be billed to that student in the same billing cycle during which their stipend and tuition waiver will typically be applied; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly here gathered encourages the Department of Parking and Transportation Services to explore the possibility of working together with the Cashier's Office to ensure that any academic charge, such as tuition for one or more credit hours, added to a graduate or professional student's university bill during the summer will be billed to the student during a month in which that student will have a tuition waiver applied for that semester; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly here gathered encourages the Department of Parking and Transportation Services to evaluate how much overtime is anticipated due to increased workload in the Summer of 2019 due to this new system, then divide this total cost of unbudgeted overtime by the total number of anticipated parking passes purchased through this new auto-renewal system, and let that resulting figure be the additional surcharge for the price of a parking pass purchased through this auto-renewal system.
- RESOLVED,** That the General Assembly here gathered charges the President to bring a copy of this Resolution to the Dean of the Graduate School, the Vice Chancellor of Operations, and the Director of Parking and Transportation Services, and also charges the GPC Parking and Transportation Representative to bring a copy of this Resolution to the Parking and Transportation Committee.

SUBMITTED,

Al Willsey, President