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**To:** Chicago Campus  
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**Re:** 2007/2008 Faculty/Staff/Student Parking Fees

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Listed below are the new parking rates for 2007/08. These rates are in effect for the Erie-Ontario Self Park (D Lot) and Abbott Hall Surface Lot (A Lot). As was introduced last year, the Parking Office will maintain a flat rate for the Huron-St. Clair parking area (C Lot). Tiered salary rates do not apply to the C Lot. This effort has been made in preparation for the increase of University and patient visitors to our campus.

<u>SALARY</u>	<u>FY 08 RATES</u>	<u>Rates Include Cook Cty Tax</u>
\$0 - \$30,000	\$576	\$0
\$30,001-\$46,000	\$720	\$0
\$46,001-\$90,000	\$960	\$120
\$90,001-\$125,000	\$1,419	\$180
\$125,001-\$150,000	\$1,968	\$180
\$150,001-\$200,000	\$2,295	\$180
\$200,001 and above	\$2,541	\$180
Huron – St. Clair	\$2,868	\$180

Student and Evening/Weekend rates are as follows:

EVENING/WEEKEND ANNUAL PERMIT                      \$351

EVENING/WEEKEND SCHOOL YEAR PERMIT	\$272
EVENING/WEEKEND QUARTERLY PERMIT	\$130
STUDENT ANNUAL COMMUTER PERMIT	\$450
STUDENT SCHOOL YEAR COMMUTER PERMIT	\$355
STUDENT QUARTERLY COMMUTER PERMIT	\$145
WEEKEND ONLY PERMIT	\$192
MOTORCYCLE PERMIT	\$160

The University has acknowledged the need to more efficient parking ingress/ egress and to manage the existing spaces to accommodate increasing parking demands on the Chicago Campus as a result of: 1) projected new hires; 2) research participants who are given parking coupons; 3) students and residents; and 4) patients and visitors. NU is in the process of automating the Erie-Ontario and Huron-St. Clair facilities. Because of the substantial subsidy provided by the University that is built into the existing parking rate structure, the recent garage expansion and landscaping ordinances mandated by the City of Chicago has added significantly to the University's subsidy expenditures. An important reason for the current parking rates is to reduce the amount of the subsidy.

In addition, a portion of funds generated from parking rates will continue to partially subsidize the following services:

1. The inter-campus shuttle provides service continuously between the Chicago and Evanston campuses from 5:00 a.m. to 11:02 p.m. weekdays. Additional times for this highly utilized service, and recent contract changes have impacted the operational costs. **If you find commuting to Evanston more convenient than Chicago, particularly if you live near, north or northwest of Evanston, consider purchasing a \$25 Ryan Field parking permit and take the free intercampus shuttle to Chicago.** These permits will be available in the Chicago Parking Office for the new parking year. We encourage you to use it either as a means to commute to Chicago by parking at Ryan Field or as a means to get to meetings or classes in Evanston. This service is available to all faculty, staff and students displaying a valid WildCARD ID. To see the schedule, go to <http://www.univsvcs.northwestern.edu/shuttles/inter2.html>. This service is available throughout the year excluding university holidays.
2. The SafeRide Shuttle provides service for the Chicago campus to CTA commuting locations. Hours of service are Monday through Friday from 6:40 pm to 12:35 am (excluding NMH holidays). It is a FREE shuttle service for anyone displaying an active WildCARD ID, however

a ticket is required for extended service to the train stations. To see the schedule go to <http://www.univsvcs.northwestern.edu/shuttles/saferide.html>.

3. The Ryan Field Shuttle will run throughout the day providing service to the Evanston campus, connecting the Central/Green Bay Metra Station, Ryan Field Parking Lot and Research Park. during the Evanston school year, Monday through Friday, 6:50am to 8pm. There is no charge for the shuttle service; just present your valid WildCARD ID when boarding the shuttle. To see the schedule, go to <http://www.univsvcs.northwestern.edu/shuttles/ryanfield.html>.

The University will continue to offer a pre-tax parking and transit program that takes advantage of legislation enacted by Congress and effectively reduces the real cost of permit parking or public transportation to full-time faculty and staff. The tax savings on parking permits requires deduction of the parking fee from the gross earnings of the individual before calculation of taxes, which are then calculated on the reduced earnings. To put into effect the pre-tax deduction, parking fee deductions will be taken monthly for those purchasing parking permits. Employees paid biweekly will see the deduction in the second paycheck of a month.

In addition, a pre-tax payment program also applies to public transit, which effectively reduces the real cost of public transportation. To take advantage of the pre-tax transit program and sign up for CTA transit cards or RTA transit checks to purchase PACE, Metra or South Shore tickets, please contact Human Resources for further details regarding this program.