2012-2013 Campus Bike Suitability Map

### Low Difficulty
- Generally has at least three of the following features:
  - Recommended by area bicyclists as alternates to main roads
  - Slow-speed traffic
  - Low traffic volumes
  - Wide right lanes, bikeable shoulders, or bike lanes
  - Limited merge lanes, "right turn only" lanes, commercial driveways, and on-street parking

### Medium Difficulty
- Generally has at least three of the following features:
  - Recommended by area bicyclists as alternates to main roads
  - Medium-speed traffic
  - Moderate traffic volumes
  - Wide right lanes, bikeable shoulders, or bike lanes
  - Limited merge lanes, "right turn only" lanes, commercial driveways, and on-street parking
  - Few blind curves or blind hills

### Higher Difficulty
- Generally has at least three of the following features:
  - High-speed traffic
  - Heavy traffic volumes
  - Relatively narrow lanes and no bikeable shoulders or bike lanes
  - Merge lanes, "right turn only" lanes, commercial driveways, and on-street parking
  - Blind curves and long, steep hills

### Georgia Tech Multiuse Pathways
- Travel slowly
- Give plenty of room to pedestrians
- If you are passing from behind, announce yourself ("passing on your left")
- If pedestrian density is high, dismount and walk your bike

- Long or Steep Hills
  - Uphill in Direction of Chevrons
- MARTA Rail Station
GEORGIA RULES FOR BICYCLING

• Bicycles are vehicles, with the same right to travel on the road as other vehicles (with the exception of limited-access highways). Most traffic laws that apply to vehicles also apply to bicycles.

• When riding in groups, ride no more than two abreast. Ride single file when faster traffic needs the space to pass you.

• Bicyclists should ride as near to the right side of the street as “practicable.” Exceptions to this rule include when turning left, avoiding a road hazard, traveling the same speed as traffic, passing another vehicle, or when the lane is too narrow to share safely. Bicyclists should not ride in a right turn-only lane if they are not turning.

• It is illegal for adults to ride bicycles on the sidewalk in Georgia. It makes you less visible to motor vehicles and may also endanger pedestrians.

• Wear a helmet. This is required for riders under 16.

• For a detailed guide on bicycle commuting, visit www.atlantabike.org/BikeCommuterGuide.

• See Georgia Code sections 36-60-5, 40-1-1, and 40-6-290 through 40-6-299 for details on these and all other laws regarding bicycling in Georgia.

INTERACTING WITH DRIVERS

• Bicycles are classified as vehicles in Georgia and bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as any others using the roads.

• If you encounter an irate motorist, be polite, regardless of their behavior. To report an aggressive or harassing driver, call 911. Have a vehicle and location description, a license plate number and state, and an account of what happened.

• If you are involved in a car-bike crash, make a mental note of the license plate number and vehicle make/model.

• If you would like to report a road hazard such as a pothole or parallel grate, call the Atlanta Public Works Transportation Office at 404.330.6501 or e-mail a description and photo to reportahazard@atlantabike.org.

TIPS FOR SECURING YOUR BICYCLE

• To reduce bicycle theft, use a U-lock.

• Refrain from securing bicycles to handrails, trees, and other non-bike racks.

ViaCycle@GT is a completely new way to get around Georgia Tech and Midtown Atlanta. You can check out any one of thirty-five bikes from multiple locations around campus. Take a bike to get to class, run errands or get to a meeting and simply return it to any ViaCycle location when you’re done. ViaCycle@GT is completely free to join for Georgia Tech students, staff, and faculty!

gt.viacycle.com

Starter Bikes is a collaborative project between Georgia Tech’s Students Organizing for Sustainability and the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition. Volunteers refurbish abandoned and donated bikes into low-cost bicycles for students and community members. Starter Bikes is open from 4-6 p.m. on Fridays and is located in the bottom level of the CRC parking deck.

www.atlantabike.org/content/Your-Starter-Bike

ORGT Mountain Biking is a free, recreational mountain biking group affiliated with Outdoor Recreation at Georgia Tech, a student-run organization for outdoor enthusiasts. Group rides, instructional schools for all levels, and maintenance classes are also offered.

www.crc.gatech.edu/orgt

Bicycle Registration allows Georgia Tech students and employees to register their bikes with the Georgia Tech Police Department, enabling the GTPD to identify the bike and contact you if the bicycle is recovered after being lost or stolen. If you believe your bicycle has been stolen, please contact the GTPD at 404.894.2500.

www.police.gatech.edu/services/bicycle

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