Parking Lot Safety
Palo Verde is committed to promoting a safe environment for our roads shared by pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles. Having good safety etiquette will keep everyone safe.

Pedestrian Safety Tips
- Staying alert is perhaps the most important part of walking in a parking lot safely. Put the mobile devices away and maintain attentive visual and auditory attention to your local environment.
- Use caution and do not assume drivers can see you or know what you are going to do – vehicles have blind spots.
- Understanding where blind spots are around the parking lot are also important and can keep pedestrians safe as they pass through a parking lot.
- Pedestrians should also treat parking lots like streets by following standard safety procedures like stop before crossing parking aisles and looking both ways before moving forward.

Driver Safety Tips
- 15 mph is the speed limit throughout the Palo Verde complex. Please obey this speed limit and remember that there are many children and adult pedestrians.
- Make sure you come to a complete stop at stop signs, look around for pedestrians and bicyclists before proceeding.
- Slow down and proceed with caution over speed bumps in order to improve safety conditions.
- Please remember that all the traffic signs and signals not only apply to cars. Those who drive motorcycles or ride bikes should also adhere to the same traffic rules as those who operate traditional vehicles.
- Distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person’s attention away from the primary task of driving. All distractions endanger the driver, passengers and bystander safety.

Following these parking lot safety tips will create a safer environment for all. Safety is everyone’s responsibility.

Palo Verde Housing Assistant 2020/2021 Recruitment

TERM BEGINS: July 1, 2020
APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, January 27, 2020 by 5pm.
HOUSING ASSISTANT COMPENSATION: Monthly Salary

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Provide after-hours coverage for Palo Verde Housing Office.
- Respond to resident and community issues requiring immediate intervention and assessment.
- Provide routine access to recreation facilities.
- Inform residents through the bulletin boards, the PV Press and more.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
Tuesday - January 14th at 6:00 pm
Wednesday - January 22nd at 5:30 pm

Location: In the Palo Verde Lounge and Conference Room
These sessions will give you an opportunity to learn more about the position, the selection process, the training program and to pick up an application packet.

For additional information that may not be included in the packet, contact sherwook@uci.edu.

AFTER HOURS ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY PAGER
For after-hours lockouts or emergencies, call the After Hours pager at 949-651-3579. Listen to the message, enter the number to call back including area code followed by (#) sign. Hang up when you hear two beeps. Your call will be returned shortly. If you do not receive a call back, enter your number again. Remember when you are dialing from a poor signal area, the message may be incomplete.

Call UCIPD at (949) 824-5223 for any lockouts after 11pm. There will be a $20 charge for a UCIPD lockout.

For emergencies that require medical, fire or police response, call 911.

PVRC Printer Out of Order
Currently, the printer in the Palo Verde Computer Lab is not printing clearly. UCI’s OIT department has been contacted to troubleshoot the printer issue. A PV-Announce will sent once the issue has been resolved.
We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and we thank you for your patience.

Green Bridge Closure - The east ramp on to the PV Bridge from Lot 17A (Continuing Education) will be closed to pedestrian traffic starting Monday, January 6th to Monday, January 13th to repair cracks in the concrete slab. Pedestrians can cross E. Peltason Dr. at the light at Anteater Dr.

We appreciate your cooperation and apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

“Success is measured not by what you gain, but what you overcome.” — Unknown
Avoid Getting Skimmed
Card skimming, in which an illegal reader is attached to a payment terminal, is a pervasive financial scam, particularly at the gas pump. Hackers place a skimming device on top of the pump's card reader or inside the pump itself, usually on the pump farthest from the convenience store and out of the range of any security cameras at the shop's entrance.

Some devices are capable of stealing debit card PINs as well, so it is a good idea to avoid paying with a debit card at the pump. It is a common problem but it is easy enough to avoid if you take a few extra precautions:

Do not pay at the pump. Go inside to the cashier to pay with a debit or credit card, but particularly a credit card. In fact, it is best not to use a debit card at all if you can help it.

Pay with a credit card over a debit card. Using a credit card, by itself, will not save your information from a magnetic-strip skimmer. But choosing a credit card may save you time should your information fall into the wrong hands. You will not be liable for any fraud perpetrated by a skimming criminal. It can be much more of a hassle to recover from a cleaned-out checking account than not having to pay your credit card company for fraudulent charges.

Make sure to set up fraud alerts for both your debit and credit accounts. Nearly every issuer offers fraud alerts and many will email and/or text you when your card is used at a gas station. Check your credit card and debit card transactions frequently to make sure no fraudulent activity has occurred.

Please Keep Palo Verde Clean
• Please place your non-biodegradable items from your apartment in the garbage (beige) and recycling (blue) bins provided in the dumpster areas located in the parking lot. DO NOT place your trash in the trash containers by the grills, mailbox areas, in laundry rooms, on stairways, on landings or any other common areas other than in the dumpsters.
• Reduce pest access by making sure your trash makes it into the dumpster bins rather than along side of it.
• The next time you throw something that has any liquid in it into your garbage bag, add newspaper and/or junk mail. It will absorb the liquid, preventing it from running out and leaving a stream of nasty drips across the floor. Or, double bag your trash.
• If you are hosting an event in any of the PV community rooms, clean up after your event activities and take your trash to the dumpster. Please inform your guests that Palo Verde is a non-smoking community. Cigarette butts are a health hazard and are considered litter.

Keeping your neighborhood clean really shows that you care about where you live.

“I honestly think it is better to be a failure at something you love than to be a success at something you hate.” ~ George Burns

UCI Counseling Center - Groups

Graduate Student Support Group: Tuesday 9:30am to 11:00am
This is a graduate student process-oriented support group that focuses on increasing insight and gaining support on topics including academic concerns, personal growth, relationship concerns, and work-personal life balance.

Decoding the Family Narrative: Tuesday 2:00pm to 3:30pm
This group aims to increase awareness of how family dynamics impact our lives. Members explore diverse topics including family and cultural expectations, spirituality, academics, career goals, and romantic relationships. Giving and receiving of interpersonal feedback is an important part of this group.

Finding Your Calm: Wednesday 2:00pm-3:30pm
Students will increase awareness of their personal reactions to stressors, learn anxiety management techniques, practice breathing and relaxation exercises, and gain support.

Authentic Connections: Thursday 3:30pm to 5:00pm
This group is for students interested in better understanding themselves and their relationships with others. The group offers a safe environment where members can express their thoughts and feelings and provide support and feedback to one another.

Overcoming Social Anxiety
Section 1: Wednesday 10:20am-11:50am
Section 2: Friday 10:30am to 12pm
This skills based group helps students overcome anxiety in a variety of social situations.

Choices and Voices: Monday 3pm to 5pm
This group is for students who have experienced unwanted sexual contact, offers a safe and secure environment to build support and discuss ongoing concerns.

For more info contact UCI Care at care@uci.edu or call Mandy Mount, Ph.D. at 949-824-7273

PV Playgroup
Every Thursday 3:30-6:30pm in the Community Room
This playgroup is a free play time for the children to make friends and develop social skills. It allows adults time to relax, share experiences and ideas.

We have light snacks for the children and coffee and tea for the adults.
All children and parents/guardians/babysitters are welcome and it is all FREE!

Thank you for remaining with the children you bring to the playgroup. Childcare service is not provided.
Should you require accommodations for this or any PV event or program, please contact sherwook@uci.edu.

Professional Clothes Drive - Now until Feb 5th. Collecting new, clean and/or gently used professional clothing items for all sizes and gender identities.

Following the drive, Cross-Cultural Center will be hosting a program called Love Boutique (on Feb 27th) to offset costs for students picking out items for their professional wardrobes.

Drop-off Locations:
• Cross-Cultural Center
• Newkirk Alumni Center
• Continuing Education 1
• Laurenir Tower, Middle Earth
• LGBT Resource Center
• Office of the Vice Chancellor Student Affairs
• Social Sciences Academic Resource Center
• School of Biological Sciences - Undergrad Student Affairs Office
• School of Medicine - Medical Education Building Main Lobby

For more information, please visit:
http://www.housing.uci.edu/housingOptions/Palo_Verde.html