Lock your Bike

Most bicycles that are stolen are not locked. The first step to guard against theft of your bicycle is to lock it with a strong lock, even if you are just going inside to pick something up.

- When picking a lock, buy one that would be difficult to break with simple tools (ex. a U-Lock or a casehardened steel Chain).

- Most cable and chain locks are easily defeated with a small pair of cable or bolt cutters. Use a U-lock to lock up the frame of your bicycle to a solid object (bike rack or metal post/sign).

- At home, keep your bike in a locked garage or room. Never leave it on a balcony or in a yard unsecured.

- Do not lock up just the front wheel.

- You can use the combination of a U-lock and cable to secure your bicycle. The U-lock is used on the frame, while the cable is used to secure the wheels (see pictures).

Bicycle Registration

Visit the Cal Poly Humboldt Police Department (UPD), located on the first floor of the Student & Business Services (SBS) to register your bike or electric transportation. UPD is giving students a free U-Lock when registering their bikes (While supplies last).

This allows all of the local police departments to be able to look up the registered owner of the bicycle without having to go through another department. It is a more efficient way to service our community.

For further information on this program and other crime prevention material, write or call:

Cal Poly Humboldt Police Department
1 Harpst St, Arcata, CA 95521
Non-Emergency line: (707) 826-5555
Emergency line: 9-1-1