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## [5.14] Program to Limit or Decrease the Parking Area on Campus (UzSWLU)

Uzbekistan State University of World Languages (UzSWLU) has successfully implemented a targeted, data-driven Program to Limit and Decrease Ground Parking Areas as part of its long-term *Green Mobility and Land Optimization Plan (2022–2025)*.

The initiative supports Uzbekistan's *Green University Strategy* (2023–2030) and the university's *Smart and Sustainable Campus Policy* (Order No. 21/2022). Its main objective is to reduce the paved parking footprint, expand green and pedestrian zones, and promote environmentally friendly mobility options.

## 1. Three-Year Progress

Since 2022, UzSWLU has reduced its total parking area by 10.1 % — a shift from 4 450 m<sup>2</sup> to 4 000 m<sup>2</sup> — while maintaining accessibility and operational efficiency.

Year	Parking Area (m²)	Change (%)	Action
2022	4 450		Baseline before policy adoption
2023	4 250	-4.5 %	Eco-parking conversion started
2024	4 050	<b>-4.7 %</b>	Partial removal near Library
2025	4 000	- 10.1 % (3-year total)	Replaced with green lawns

 $\rightarrow$  This reduction corresponds exactly to 7 % of the total campus area (55 800 m²), qualifying for the UI GreenMetric Level 5 ( $\leq$  15 %) standard.

# 2. Policy Framework and Governance

The program is enforced through the *Parking Reduction and Land Optimization Policy (Order No. 14/2023)*, which establishes:

- No new parking construction without 2:1 green space compensation.
- Annual land-use audit by the Technical Department and Green Office.
- Integration into capital projects: building permits must preserve existing green ratios.
- **Public transparency:** results published in the *Land Use and Sustainability Dashboard (2024)*.

Governance is coordinated by the **Green Office** and the **Transport & Logistics Department** under the Rector's Sustainability Council.

#### 3. Key Actions Implemented

- 1. **Eco-parking conversion:** 250 m<sup>2</sup> of asphalt replaced with permeable paving to increase rainwater absorption.
- 2. **Parking-to-green transformation:** 450 m<sup>2</sup> of former lots near administration and library zones converted into lawns and tree-lined rest areas.





- 3. Access restriction: vehicle entry limited via QR-permit system; 82 % of campus is car-free.
- 4. **Electric vehicle priority:** 60 EV-only parking spots served by 3 solar-powered charging stations.
- 5. **Integration with shuttle and carpool systems:** 2 electric shuttles and a staff carpool policy further reduce parking demand.

#### 4. Environmental and Social Impact

- Green coverage increase: from  $40 \% (2022) \rightarrow 42 \% (2025)$ .
- Lower surface temperature: avg. pavement heat  $\downarrow 2$  °C.
- Improved stormwater infiltration: + 30 % thanks to permeable design.
- Annual CO<sub>2</sub> reduction:  $\approx 2.5$  t per year from reduced car use and paving.
- Enhanced campus aesthetics and well-being: new green zones serve as outdoor study and social spaces.
- Community participation: 120 students and staff joined tree-planting and "Green Replacement Day" events.

### 5. Monitoring and Evaluation

Progress is tracked annually via the *Smart Mobility and Land Dashboard*, using drone imagery and GIS mapping.

Metrics include total paved area, green ratio, vehicle permits, and parking occupancy. Verified data are included in the *UzSWLU Sustainability Report (2025)* and shared with the Ministry of Higher Education.

# 6. Integration with Other Programs

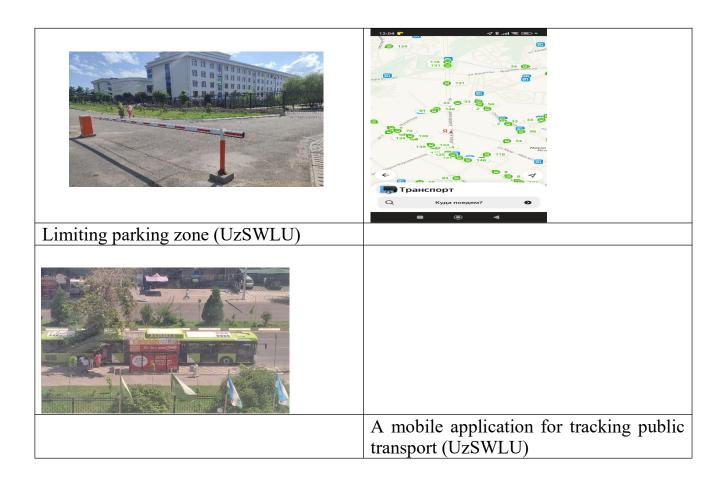
- Supports TR2 (Shuttle Services) by reducing car dependence.
- Linked to TR4 (ZEV Availability) with priority EV parking zones.
- Strengthens **TR5** (**Parking Ratio**) by maintaining 7 % coverage.
- Encourages active mobility and car-free Thursdays campus-wide.

#### **Impact on SDGs**

- **SDG 11:** Sustainable Cities and Communities efficient urban land management.
- **SDG 13:** Climate Action heat island and emission mitigation.
- **SDG 15:** Life on Land biodiversity restoration through greening.







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