You may not lend your vehicle to anyone that is not properly licensed. This group includes drivers under suspension, those with expired licenses and those with temporary permits who do not have a licensed driver riding with them.

If your license expires you cannot drive until it is renewed. If you fail to renew within six months, you must apply for a temporary instruction permit and re-take all the necessary examinations before receiving a permit, license or endorsement.

Phone: 419.372.2951
Email: sls@bgsu.edu
Address: 1124 East Wooster Street
Bowling Green, OH 43403
Web: bgsu.edu/sls/
**TO GET A LICENSE...**

Study the Digest of Motor Vehicle Laws

- Visit the Bowling Green BMV Office at 1616 East Wooster Street, Suite 30 or download a copy from: http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/hsy7607.pdf
- Pass a written test on traffic laws
- Pass a driving test (if you have never had a license in another state or country)

**TO REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE...**

Each vehicle owned must be registered within 30 days of Ohio residency or purchase.

- Visit the BMV Office to obtain the required registration, plates and validation sticker.
- You must sign a statement indicating that you understand that liability insurance is required on you or your vehicle.

**OTHER IMPORTANT FACTS...**

- Operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs is a serious offense that can affect your freedom and your student status.
- If you operate any vehicle without insurance, your license will be suspended for at least 90 days.
- If you accumulate 12 points on your driving record during any two year period, your license will be suspended for 6 months. The BMV will notify you of the suspension at your last known address.

**TO TRANSFER AN OHIO VEHICLE...**

A Title or Memorandum of Title is the legal document that proves ownership of a vehicle.

To transfer ownership, you must complete the “assignment” section on the back of the Ohio Title and have the signatures notarized.

The Ohio Title should then be taken to the WOOD COUNTY TITLE OFFICE within 30 days to avoid a late transfer penalty fee.

Take the title to the BMV Office to get your license plates.

**TO TRANSFER AN OUT-OF-STATE VEHICLE...**

An out-of-state vehicle must be inspected to verify the make, model, body type and vehicle identification number. The inspection can be done by the BMV Office. You can then present the inspection certificate to the Title Office to obtain your title and pay the necessary fees.

Take the title to the BMV Office to get your license plates.

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**Ohio Residency...**

Once you become an Ohio resident, you must get an Ohio Driver’s License to validly drive. Remember to also obtain an Ohio Vehicle Title and Registration for any vehicle you own.

Residency typically occurs once you take a job, sign a lease, buy a home, and/or register to vote. International students attending BGSU are also considered residents of Ohio.

If you have an out-of-state or international driver’s license, you have 30 days after becoming a resident to obtain an Ohio license.

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**Wood County Title Office**
1616 E. Wooster St., Suite 16
Bowling Green, Ohio

P: 419.354.9180

8:30-4:30 M-T-W-TH-F
9:00-12:00 Saturday