**JOINING LIRA GUIDE**

**Filing an Application**

**An application to join LIRA can be found on our website:**

[**www.uml.edu/community/lira**](http://www.uml.edu/community/lira)

**See the menu on the left side of the LIRA home page and click on *Join LIRA*.**

**Print the application and complete all the questions.**

**Mail to the address on the application with dues.**

**To pay by credit card click *Join LIRA* on left menu, then click *Join or renew online now*.**

**Obtaining a Photo ID**

**A photo ID is needed to enter the parking lots and several of the buildings. After you have paid your dues, you must go to the Campus Security office located at 220 Pawtucket St., Lowell, MA 01854, entrance and park on Salem St. (see map).**

**The office is open daily 9 – 5. It is suggested you call ahead 978 – 934 – 2113 for further information**. **There is no fee.**

**Parking Information**

**LIRA members must obtain a parking tag if they wish to use the University Parking Lots. A hang tag can be obtained at the Security Office when you get your photo ID unless special instructions are posted in the September Newsletter. Attach this tag to your front mirror while you are in a University parking lot.**

**There is a fee for parking; the amount is determined by the University. There is no fee for Handicap parking but the vehicle must be registered with the University. Please bring your auto registration with you when you register.**

**The Security Office will tell you which lots can be accessed with your Photo ID. LIRA will advise you as to which lot is closest to the buildings we’ll be using**.

**Program Information**

**To learn about our Study Groups you will need to access our website. The program listing for each semester is also listed in the September or March Newsletter. Once you have paid your dues you will receive a printed Newsletter by post or email. You may then take any or all of the study group programs. Registration for the Study Groups is during the LIRA General Meetings in September and March. If you are unable to attend these meetings someone can register for you or you can attend the study groups of your choice and add your name to the attendance list when you arrive. If you are registered in advance for a program, you will be notified if the class is changed or cancelled.**

**Locations**

**The University offers us the use of various classrooms which may vary by semester. These will be listed with the Semester Program Schedule published in the Newsletter. You will be advised of the parking lots closest to the assigned Building. See the map in this brochure for location of parking areas and buildings or use the UMass Lowell Maps webpage:** [**http://www.uml.edu/maps/**](http://www.uml.edu/maps/)

**Arrival at Class**

**Arrive at the classroom prior to the scheduled starting time. Check your name on the attendance sheet or add it if you haven’t registered for** **the class. Members may attend any or all classes, regardless of whether they have registered for it.**

**Your nametag indentifies you as a paid LIRA member. An attendance sheet will be located at the entrance of the room. Please sign in when you arrive and wear your nametag.**

**There is usually a break with light refreshments in the middle of a class. You then will have a chance to meet other LIRA people. Everyone is helpful and kind so feel free to ask questions**.

**Email messages to** **lira@uml.edu** **or voice mail 978-934-3135**

**SEE NEW MEMBER INFORMATION**