ARRIVING AT HARVARD

Harvard’s official opening for the Class of 2020 is **Tuesday, August 23 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm**, unless you are participating in a program approved for early arrival (see below). Please read important information on getting to campus (including the [campus map](#)), and how to collect your room key, Harvard ID card, and other essentials. Check the [Harvard Yard Operations site](#) for information closer to move-in.

**STEP ONE: GETTING TO CAMPUS**

**TRAVEL BY CAR**

Apley Court: drive directly to 16 Holyoke Street (one-way running south to north) and park on the street.

Greenough: drive directly to 10 Prescott Street (one-way running south to north) and park on the street.

Hurlbut: drive directly to 2 Prescott Street (one-way running south to north) and park on the street.

Pennypacker: drive directly to 387 Harvard Street and park on the street.

All other dorms: if you arrive before 3:00 pm, go directly to the staging area at the Harvard Stadium parking lot (65 North Harvard Street; Boston, MA 02134).

- You will receive an entry pass and directions to Harvard Yard; **an entry pass is required**.
- Wait time varies depending on traffic and time of day; could be as long as 90 minutes.

**TRAVEL BY PUBLIC TRANSPORATION**

From South Station (Amtrak, MBTA subway, Greyhound, other buses): go downstairs in South Station to the red line subway; take train toward Alewife, to Harvard Station (sixth stop); fare is $2.75.

From Logan Airport:

- Via subway: board Silver Line subway bus to South Station (see South Station above); free fare.
- Via taxi: proceed to the Johnston Gate in Harvard Yard; no entry pass or stop at Harvard Stadium required; fare is $35-45.

**STEP TWO: COLLECT ROOM KEY, HARVARD ID and OTHER ITEMS**

Greenough, Hurlbut, and Pennypacker: after parking, student should walk to the tent in front of the Freshman Dean’s Office (6 Prescott Street), while families unload vehicle.

All other dorms: after parking in Harvard Yard, student should walk to tent in front of Grays, while families unload vehicle.

At the tent you will receive:

- Harvard ID card (if you did not submit a photo, the ID Office will take your photo on-site)
- Dorm/suite key
- *Calendar of Opening Days*
- *49 Book: Guide to Concentrations at Harvard*
- *Freshman Register* (for pick-up and purchase)

**Students are required to bring a government-issued photo ID to collect their Harvard University ID card** (e.g. passport, driver’s license, state ID, military ID). Do not send a family member in your place.

After 5:00 pm, check-in occurs at Yard Operations in Weld Hall B-01.
**STEP THREE: COMPLETE YOUR MOVE**

- Unload quickly after parking outside your dorm (20 minutes max, be prompt in fairness to others; Peer Advising Fellows are on hand to help move belongings into dorm)
- After the move, proceed to the free, reserved parking areas on Oxford or Everett Streets (maps provided upon arrival); you may then return to the dorm to unpack and settle.
- Trucks longer than 15 feet are prohibited in the Yard during move-in
- If you purchased large items that need delivery to the dorm, please contact Yard Operations (617-495-1874) to make arrangements for Yard access after move-in day
- Mail and packages may be claimed in Science Center, Room 102 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm
- A complete list of (optional) activities for parents and families is available on the [FDO website](#); families should plan to depart Cambridge by 7:00 pm, the time of the first required student meetings

**ARRIVING EARLY?**

Students arriving early for the following groups may collect their key and other items on Monday, August 22 between 5:00 and 8:00 pm at the tent in Harvard Yard by Grays Hall. **Permanent beds and furniture must not be claimed before all roommates arrive on move-in day – all must be present.**

- Debate Team
- Dorm Crew (Fall Clean-up)
- Fall season athletes (only those approved for early arrival)
- First-Year Arts Program (FAP)
- First-Year International Program (FIP)
- First-Year Urban Program (FUP)
- NROTC

**SPECIAL NOTE TO FAMILIES OF FOP PARTICIPANTS**

Participants in the First-Year Outdoor Program (FOP) are expected to arrive back in Cambridge between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Tuesday, August 23. For that reason:

- Parents and families of FOP participants should not plan to arrive at the Harvard Stadium parking lot (or freshman dorm) prior to 11:00 am
- On pre-orientation check-in day, FOP participants will be provided an *estimated* arrival time in Cambridge; parents and families are encouraged to use this time to plan when to arrive at the Stadium or respective dorm