ROAD TRIP FAQs

1. What is ROAD TRIP?

ROAD TRIP is the new student orientation program designed to help you jump start your Harcum College Life! During your first year at Harcum, you will experience many new challenges and opportunities so we encourage you to register for the program. ROAD TRIP is designed to assist you in developing an understanding about the transition you will make to this college and enable your success at Harcum. Faculty and staff across the college will share insights about everything from academics to campus involvement.

2. Who may attend?

All new students who have been admitted to the Spring 2015 semester along with parents, family members or friends are welcome to attend.

3. Can my parents attend the orientation with me?

Yes. Parents and family members are welcomed and encouraged to attend ROAD TRIP with you.

4. Do I need to sign up for orientation or pay a fee?

Yes. Each ROAD TRIP participant and guest must register to attend the program so session groups are appropriately sized to meet classroom space requirements. There is no fee for new Harcum students to attend orientation. There is a $9.00 fee for each guest that covers meals.

5. Do I have to go to ROAD TRIP?

Whether you are a new student or transferring from another institution, it is highly recommended to attend ROAD TRIP in order to prepare for life at Harcum College.

6. Why do I have to participate in orientation?

Research supports that if you attend orientation, you are more likely to achieve success in college and graduate. Harcum College is committed to helping students succeed both within and outside the classroom.

7. I know a lot of people at Harcum already. Why do I need to attend orientation?

It is important you learn the specifics of your academic major and meet personally with a Program Director regarding the expectations of your degree program. While it is great you know people on campus, ROAD TRIP will give you a more comprehensive overview of the resources and services available to you as a new Harcum student.
8. Do I need to attend everything? What do we do during orientation?

Whether you are a resident, commuter, first year student or transfer student, ROAD TRIP is an important part of your Harcum experience. Since each session is led by a different college department to provide new students the most comprehensive information to start their academic career off right, it is highly encouraged that students attend the entire program. You will meet other new students, student leaders and faculty and staff.

9. How do I register for ROAD TRIP?

Register online at [www.harcum.edu/roadtrip](http://www.harcum.edu/roadtrip). You can register guests and pay the guest fee as well. You will receive an email at the address you enter on the registration form confirming your attendance for ROAD TRIP. If you are already on campus, stop by the Student Life Office at Klein Hall, Room 204.

10. When will I receive my orientation schedule?

The general schedule is on the ROAD TRIP flyer included in your admissions packet. The schedule is also listed on the registration page.

11. What happens at orientation check-in?

When you arrive at ROAD TRIP, you will check in and receive information to use throughout the day as well as some giveaways that many students find useful during the year.

12. What if I can't check in during the allotted time?

Checking in during the allotted time allows you to take full advantage of the day’s presentations. However, we do understand if travel arrangements cause you to arrive later.

13. Is there a dress code for orientation?

No. Dress comfortably as you may be walking around a lot.

14. What should I bring to orientation?

Bring your photo ID (state issued or previous school ID). You will be required to show proof of identification to receive your college ID.

15. I don't know where to go. Where can I get directions to the campus?

Please visit [www.harcum.edu](http://www.harcum.edu) and click on About Us – Visit Harcum – Directions. Additional check-in information and parking directions will be provided in your Road Trip confirmation email once you have completed an online reservation.
16. How do I know who my Program Director is?

If you did not meet your Program Director during the admissions process, you will meet him/her during the Meet Your Program Director session.

17. Where do I get my student ID?

Each student attends the Campus Safety session and receives their official Harcum College ID prior to the close of the day. You must bring a photo ID (state issued or previous school ID) to receive your Harcum ID.

18. Do I need to bring a check to pay for tuition and fees?

Please visit the Financial Aid and Student Accounts web page for questions regarding billing and payment. If you are receiving financial aid, your tuition, fees and room and board charges may be covered. Please bring your award letters and other correspondence informing you that you will be receiving financial aid in case you need to speak with someone in the Financial Aid Office during your campus visit.

19. Are special accommodations available for individuals with disabilities?

Yes. If you or someone attending with you has a disability that requires special accommodations for full participation in the orientation program, please call Student Life at 610-526-6032 or email orientation@harcum.edu.

20. What if I need to change anything about my ROAD TRIP registration?

Call the Student Life Office at 610-526-6032 or stop by Klein Hall, Room 204.

21. What if I have other questions?

If you have questions regarding ROAD TRIP, please contact the Student Life Office at 610-526-6032 or email orientation@harcum.edu.