



SHEPARD ACADEMIC RESOURCE CENTER AUGUST 2019 NEWS

New Student Orientation

The weekend before classes start, incoming first year students move in early and learn about the campus. Orientation is a special time on campus because it is an opportunity for us to welcome you into the community and assist you in making the smoothest transition possible. Through an exciting and informative program of activities and events, Orientation will help you build relationships with fellow freshmen, returning students, faculty, and staff.

A full Orientation schedule is published on the [Fall Orientation](#) website. Look at the full schedule under "Fall 2019 Schedule at a Glance." You can also download the schedule via the handy mobile app Guidebook. The app can be downloaded from your app store or you can visit [GuideBook](#) for download instructions. Once you have downloaded the app search for "University of Portland Orientation 2019".

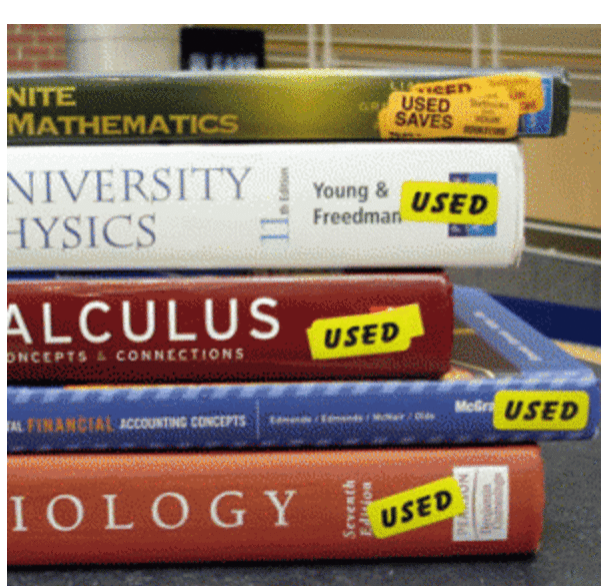
Here is an [interactive campus map](#) that will help you get familiar with the campus layout.



Academics

First Year Workshops

Every incoming first-year student is enrolled in a [First Year Workshop](#), which is attached to another class in their schedule. These classes, which are led by returning students, are designed to help new first-year students orient themselves to the college environment. These classes are an hour long, held once a week, and end in late October. **There are no assigned textbooks for this class.** All materials will be provided. For more information about the workshop, feel free to call the Shepard Academic Resource Center at (503) 943-7895. You'll meet your First Year Workshop group during orientation.



Ordering Textbooks

You can see what books you need by going to your Self-Serve account through [PilotUP](#). Click "Self Serve Banner," then "student," then "registration." Once you are there, click on the last link for "Check Text Book Prices" which will take you to the University Bookstore website. The classes and section you have been registered for will appear automatically. You can also check Amazon to find the best deals for your text books. All you have to do is copy and paste the ISBN number into the search bar.

First Day of Class: What to Expect

Some professors may use the first day of class to get to know everyone, go over the syllabus, or answer any questions you may have. Others may launch right into lecture, with little introduction. Either way, you should be prepared for class with a pen, paper, textbooks and a desire to participate. The first day of class is a great opportunity to get to know your classmates, which helps later in forming study groups. Here are some [helpful tips for working with faculty](#) in the classroom.



Clark Library: Things to know as you get started at UP!

Welcome to UP! The [Clark Library](#) is at the center of campus and you are likely to visit multiple times a day to do things like [studying](#), checking out course readings, scanning and printing, using a [group study room](#), relaxing in a comfy chair, and more.

Library staff and student assistants like to help, so don't hesitate to ask us questions as you settle into university life. We also have [library chat](#), so you can ask questions from anywhere at any time.

We are offering "on demand" tours during orientation on Friday, August 23, from 12:15 pm to 1:30 pm. Drop by after you finish lunch to take a short tour, take a pic in our photo booth, and get a 3D- printed Pilots anchor from the Digital Lab on the upper floor.

We look forward to getting to know you during your UP career!

Life on Campus

Things you Really Need for the Dorms

Like most other first-year students, you are probably dying to know what you should bring with you to the dorms. You may have heard from other people there are certain things you should and should not bring. This is true!

In order to help make the process easier, the Office of Residence Life has put together a [recommended list of items to bring](#).

Transportation

Don't have a car? Don't worry! Between [Zipcar](#) and [TriMet](#), you can still get off campus and explore Portland. UP participates in Zipcar, a program that allows students to rent cars from as little as 30 minutes up to several days. For more information, contact Public Safety at 503.943.7161.

TriMet is our safe and timely local bus service. The [TriMet website](#) has maps, schedules, and a feature that will let you plan your trip. You can also use the UP Shuttle to get to and from the Yellow Line MAX and alternative bus lines on Saturdays and Sundays.

[The Bike Shop](#), part of the Outdoor Pursuits Program, at the Beauchamp Center rents out bikes to students, faculty, and staff at no charge. They can also repair your bike at a low cost. Call the Bike Shop at 503.943.8748.

[The Pilot Express](#) is a student-run service that drives students to and from the train station and airport during school breaks.

[Portland's Bureau of Transportation](#) wants to make sure you know about ALL your transportation options. Their website includes information you would need to start biking, walking, and riding the bus/MAX.

Do you have a disability that impacts your ability to ride public transportation? Ride Connection is a great resource that offers individualized, one-on-one support in accessing and learning how to ride public transportation.

Campus Jobs and Activities

Apply Now for On Campus Employment!

The Student Job Board can be found at the [Student Employment home page](#). All students may apply to on-campus positions, including incoming freshman and transfer students. Jobs for this coming academic year were posted to the job board on August 1st. Students are encouraged to apply early and apply often for student employment positions once they are posted.

If you are interested in student employment, make sure to bring the [required documents](#) for filling out employment paperwork with you to campus. You can fill these forms out as soon as you come to campus, even if you haven't found a position yet.



Activities Fair 2019

On Friday, August 30st at 4:00pm, you will want to make sure and attend the [Activities Fair!](#) This is a great opportunity to see all that UP clubs and organizations have to offer! This is a FREE event hosted by Student Activities! This event will be located in Beauchamp.



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