TAXIS

There are times when you will have to take a taxi. Because taxis are limited in Durham, you need to CALL by telephone ahead of time to arrange your travel. A meter, starting with an initial fee of $3.60 and then $2.00 per mile after that, calculates the taxi fare. Most companies accept major credit cards.

Whenever you use a taxi or shuttle, you tip the driver 10-15% of the cost of the fare. We also recommend taking a taxi with a friend so you can split the fare. Taxis below have been recommended by other Duke students/scholars.

If you are transporting furniture, do tell the driver when you make the call, not after he/she arrives. Not all taxis will be able to move furniture for you.

Local Taxis Around Town and/or to the RDU Airport
Remember to call or book online in ADVANCE!

Andrew Garfunkel Transportation
Email: agarfunkel@hpw.com or call 919.218.7753. If you call and get voicemail, please LEAVE a message. Andrew will call you back. Also, you MUST give him at LEAST 3 DAYS advance notice.
Andrew charges $20 from Duke Campus to RDU. For Moving Service, he charges a flat fee of $25 per hour (or any portion thereof). Contact for exact pricing and arrangements.

Charlene’s Safe Ride www.charlenesaferide.com
call 919.744.4444 or text 919.666.7233. Flat fee of $35 from Duke Campus to RDU and call 919.244.4444 for rates from off-campus to RDU. Accepts Duke Flex Card. Student and frequent traveler discounts. Credit Cards accepted. Can be booked online. Wheelchair friendly.

Express RDU Taxi www.rd expresstaxi.com/
919.771.8222 (local) or 800.840.8098 (toll free). Flat fee of $30 from RDU to Durham downtown. Credit Cards accepted. Can be booked online.

Sky Shuttle http://www.skyshuttle.net/
919.599.8100. $32 for one passenger to RDU, less if shared ride (up to three people). Credit Cards accepted. Can be booked online.

UBER www.uber.com/cities/raleigh or Lyft https://www.lyft.com/cities/raleigh-durham. Book a ride using the Uber or Lyft smartphone app. The app gives you an estimated time of arrival for your ride as well as a price estimate based on your origin and destination. You pay for the ride through the app, so you do not need cash. You cannot tip using the apps, but you can provide a cash tip to the driver if you want. Prices can change during peak times, so be careful! The Uber and Lyft apps also let you split fares between several riders. You must set up an account and provide payment information before using the service.

Companies Not Recommended: Durham’s Best Cab. “Best Cab tells one rate over the telephone and another when they pick you up. They do not honor the student rate.”