

# HOW TO USE THE CAMPUS SHUTTLES

The following explanation can help you understand how to read the bus schedules and maps posted on the Brandeis website, use the TripShot App and follow certain tips to help you catch a bus.

## Schedule

Days of service: be aware of what days of the week each route runs.

- Loop or direction: most route segments follow a loop and run in a single direction; some route segments run both ways along the same roadway with stop locations in both directions
- Timepoint stop: the first timetable in the posted schedules list the timepoint stops, which refers to stops with defined pickup and drop-off times — buses will always stop at these locations as close as possible to the listed times.
- Intermediary stop: the second table in the posted schedules provide the complete list of stops including intermediary stops, which refers to stops with estimated pickup and drop-off times — buses will stop at these locations if you request a drop-off or flag a pickup.
- Pickup and drop-off times: each timepoint stop lists pickup and drop-off times for all stops from the earliest to the latest within the day; you will need to estimate the pickup time based on the closest timepoint stop along the route.

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- TripShot schedule: stops with a bold purple border around the time are timepoint stops; stops with a dotted purple border around the time are intermediary stops.

## Map

- Stops: the black and white bus icons on the map represent all stops the bus can pick up / drop off at. Refer to the schedule to determine which stops are timepoint stops and which are intermediary stops.
- TripShot map: select your route and follow the bus icon to track your bus in real time.

## Planning your Pickup

To determine the time the bus will arrive at your stop:

1. Find your pickup location on the map;
2. Find the nearest timepoint stop;
  - a. If the closest timepoint stop is before your stop, the bus will arrive at your stop shortly after the noted time.
  - b. If it is after your stop, the bus will arrive shortly before that time.

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## General tips:

- Always arrive five minutes early to your bus stop.
- Only request a drop-off or flag a pickup at designated stops, the bus cannot stop in between stops.