

Dartmouth Outing Club First-Year Trips

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2014 Directorate Applications

This year, prior Trips experience is **NOT** required for most positions on the Trips Directorate, except for Trip Leader Trainers. While past experience with Trips is beneficial, we are looking to combine skills and experience to create a balanced, thoughtful, and motivated Trips Directorate. We do not expect members of Directorate to know everything about their positions before applying! You may apply for multiple positions. If you would like more information about any of the positions or applications, please do not hesitate to contact us at DOC.Trips@Dartmouth.edu.

Position descriptions below will describe each role and any requirements for the position. All positions formerly titled "Croo Chief" are now titled Croo Captain to clarify the responsibilities of the role. This year we are adding a second Grant Croo Captain as well as an Outdoor Logistics Coordinator to the Directorate.

Any students planning to be enrolled in classes during Summer 2014 are still eligible for most positions. Students taking classes may apply for Outdoor Logistics Coordinator, Sustainability Coordinator, Safety Master, Outreach Coordinator, and Connections Croo Captain, Academics take priority over Trips roles so please do not hesitate to contact us with questions about expected time commitments for any position. Please read through the position descriptions below and we hope you consider applying!

Positions on Trips Directorate 2014

- Outdoor Logistics Coordinator (1)
- Sustainability Coordinator (1)
- Safety Master (1)
- Outreach Coordinator (1)
- Trip Leader Trainer (3)
- Connections Croo Captain (2)
- Klymbing Croo Captain (1)
- Oak Hill Croo Captain (1)
- Grant Croo Captain (2)
- Hanover Croo Captain (2)
- Vox Croo Captain (2)
- Lodge Croo Captain (2)

Position Descriptions

Outdoor Logistics Coordinator

What does the Outdoor Logistics Coordinator do?

This is a brand new position for 2014 so you will play a large part in shaping this brand-new role. You will not have any past examples to follow so we are looking for someone who is extremely motivated and proactive. Your role before Trips will be to review and revise trip descriptions and directions. In many cases this might involve traveling to the trip location and exploring the areas described in the trip template. Your goal will be to improve trip directions and come up with suggested activities or destinations for that trip. You will also look into and revise other trip details such as packing lists and food menus. Your role might even involve designing a new trip or altering the route of an existing trip.

You might work closely with the DOC clubs to gather advice and input on regional outdoor knowledge. Mostly we are looking for someone that can creatively and critically review what Trips groups do between Hanover and Moosilauke. During Trips, you will be focused on implementing your changes to the program and helping Trip Leaders with logistical questions and problems. This might involve going over maps with Trip Leaders, assisting with transportation, or resolving logistical problems. This position is designed for someone that enjoys spending time outdoors and is excited about the prospect of planning the nitty-gritty details of each trip and getting to know the local area incredibly well.

The Outdoor Logistics Coordinator is a part of the Trips Directorate – the group of students who share in coordinating the planning and execution of the entire program. You will be the expert on trip descriptions, outdoor equipment, and logistics!

Requirements to be the Outdoor Logistics Coordinator:

- You must be around Hanover in either the Spring or Summer (or both!) of 2014 and during most of Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized). ***Please note that sophomores taking classes this summer ARE eligible for this position.*
- Ability to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program can improve and evolve.
- Interest and experience in the outdoors and trip planning.
- Desire to take initiative with this role, and work collaboratively with other directorate members to improve the outdoor aspects of Trips.
- Must be willing and able to become College driver certified.
- This position *does not* require any past Trips experience.

How much work does this position require?

Ideally, you will be around Hanover in the Winter, Spring & Summer – but if you're only here 2 of those 3 terms, still apply! You can expect to work 2-6 hours each week in this role. It is expected that the Outdoor Logistics Coordinator will be an active contributor to the Trips Directorate and assist other directorate members as needed. This is a volunteer position! During Trips, you should plan to be in Hanover for as much as possible (if you're taking classes, academics take priority over Trips).

Sustainability Coordinator

What does the Sustainability Coordinator do?

Your goal as Sustainability Coordinator is to critically evaluate all parts of DOC Trips – a HUGE program – and seek to reduce our environmental impact, and increase how sustainable the program is this year. You are tasked with finding the places within the program that could be improved from a sustainability perspective (i.e. bussing routes, energy usage, food sourcing etc...). You will develop messaging and education around sustainability, and work closely with other directorate members to integrate the values of sustainability throughout the program.

You will need to work closely with the College's Sustainability Director and other related student groups in developing effective messaging/education. Given the flexible nature of this position, collaboration and creativity will be essential! There are a lot of initiatives, ideas, and programs this position can take on – so we're looking for someone excited about introducing and integrating sustainability in unique/exciting ways.

Requirements to be the Sustainability Coordinator:

- You must be around Hanover in either the spring or summer of 2014 and during most of Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized). ***Please note that sophomores taking classes this summer ARE eligible for this position.*
- Ability to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program can improve and evolve.
- Interest or experience in communications & messaging
- Some experience or background in sustainability work (on- or off-campus).
- Desire to work with many different offices, student groups, communities and staff to implement sustainability initiatives for Trips.
- Desire to take initiative with this role, and work collaboratively with other directorate members to make Trips as sustainable as possible.
- This position *does not* require any past Trips experience.

How much work does this position require?

Ideally, you will be around Hanover in the Winter, Spring & Summer – but if you're only here 2 of those 3 terms, still apply! You can expect to work 2-6 hours each week in this role. It is expected that the Sustainability Coordinator will be an active contributor to the Trips Directorate and assist other directorate members as needed. This is a volunteer position!

During Trips, you should plan to be in Hanover for as much as possible (if you're taking classes, academics take priority over Trips). You will work with other directorate members as needed to implement various sustainability initiatives.

Safety Master

What does the Safety Master do?

DOC Trips send out a LOT of people into the woods, so ensuring their safety is our top priority as a program...and your top priority as Safety Master! The Safety Master oversees all safety protocol, emergency planning, medical equipment, and safety personnel for Trips 2014. This role requires a great deal of planning and organization as you will be working closely with the director & assistant director to keep all parts of Trips as safe as possible.

Specific tasks include holding First Aid/CPR sessions for trip leaders & croolings during the spring and summer terms, working with the Trip Leader Trainers (TLTs) to ensure leaders are sufficiently trained, coordinating the croo Safety Dorks, and reviewing/preparing the program's safety protocols. During Trips you will work with any leaders who have safety/health concerns, check-in with & advise the Safety Dorks on various croos, and follow-up on any medical incidents that occur. There are a lot of potential projects the Safety Master can take on, so creativity and a proactive attitude are essential!

Requirements to be the Safety Master:

- You must be around Hanover in either the spring or summer (ideally both!) of 2014 and during most of Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized). ***Please note that sophomores taking classes this summer ARE eligible for this position.*
- Ability to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program can improve and evolve.
- Some form of advanced medical certification (EMT, OEC, WFR, etc..)
- Must be willing and able to become a certified CPR & First Aid instructor by Spring 2014. *(If not already certified, Trips will subsidize the cost)*
- Desire to take initiative with this role, and work collaboratively with other directorate members/campus offices to make Trips as safe as possible.

- Must be willing and able to become College driver certified by August 2014.
- This position *does not* require any past Trips experience.

How much work does this position require?

If not already certified to teach First Aid & CPR, the Safety Master will first work to become a certified instructor. In the Spring (and Summer if you're in Hanover), you will teach these classes and work closely with the TLTs to ensure adequate training for leaders. This can take up to 10 hours/week, but is a great way to gain experience as an instructor!

In the Winter/Spring, the Safety Master will work with the Director & Assistant Director to revise and update the Trips emergency protocols. You will also work with the Croo Captains to coordinate efforts among Safety Dorks (training, equipment, etc..).

Outreach Coordinator

What's an Outreach Coordinator? What do they do?

The Outreach Coordinator (OC) is charged with leading the efforts to make Trips as inclusive and thoughtful as possible. This involves more than just reaching out to different parts of campus (although this is important too!); the OC will seek out and create opportunities for students to reflect upon their own experience coming to Dartmouth so that the directorate team can adjust and improve the program to be more welcoming toward students of all backgrounds, identities and communities.

The Outreach Coordinator will work with directorate members to improve various aspects of the program and ensure we're doing everything we can to intentionally and thoughtfully welcome tripees. Specific tasks include: Working with the Trip Leader Trainers in developing/implementing the "Community Building" seminar; facilitating discussions with directorate/volunteers around diversity & difference (cultural, socio-economic status, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, ability, religious beliefs etc...); and working with OPAL and Student Accessibility Services to reach out to underrepresented groups.

Reaching out to tripees (and their families) before Trips 2013 is fundamental to this role. During the Spring & Summer terms, the OC will be responsible for managing and updating some of the Trips communication/social media tools (blog, Twitter, etc...) to help tripees feel as comfortable as possible with Trips before they arrive. This may include writing & editing blog post submissions, recruiting current students to share their perspective/experiences with the program, and coordinating individual tripee outreach over the summer. During Trips you will have responsibilities specific to the sensitivity & inclusion of all tripees, and will be a resource for other directorate members. There are a lot of possibilities with this responsibility, so creativity and innovation is encouraged!

Requirements to be the Outreach Coordinator:

- You must be around Hanover in the winter and spring of 2014 and during most of Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized). ***Please note that sophomores taking classes this summer ARE eligible for this position.*
- Desire to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program can improve and evolve.
- Interest in communications/social media, and advertising.
- *Some* prior involvement or experience with student life offices (Collis, OPAL, Deans Office, Residential Life, etc...), diverse communities, and student groups across campus.
- *Some* prior experience and strong interest in facilitating discussions & reflections around group dynamics, building community, and inclusion.
- Desire to take initiative with this role, and work collaboratively with other directorate members/campus offices to make Trips as inclusive and welcoming for all First Years.
- This position *does not* require any past Trips experience.

How much work does this position require?

The Outreach Coordinator is involved in many different areas of Trips, so the work is very much concentrated in the Winter & Spring terms. During the winter, you can expect to devote 7-10 hours per week to planning various events, meeting with different student groups, and advertising the Trips program to all campus communities. In the spring, you can expect around 5-7 hours of work per week focusing on outreach to trippees, assisting with aspects of leader/croo training, and maintaining the Trips blog. In the summer, you can expect 3-5 hours per week of work (done via e-mail, you don't need to be in Hanover for the summer). This is a volunteer position!

This position has the flexibility to allow you to potentially be a trip leader on a later section of Trips (schedule-permitting).

Trip Leader Trainer

What's a Trip Leader Trainer (TLT)?

Trip Leader Trainers play a critical role in shaping DOC Trips as their work impacts every single person involved with Trips in a very meaningful way. TLTs manage all aspects of the trip leader selection process, trip assignments, and training for all leaders. This job requires a lot of work, but will be both incredibly FUN and a big CHALLENGE. But don't worry! The director and assistant director will always be there to back you up when you need it!

During the Winter, TLTs will be involved in shaping the mission, goals, and direction of Trips 2013. Specifically, TLTs will help design the trip leader application, actively recruit students to apply, and plan the curriculum for trip leader training. In the Spring, TLTs will select trip leaders, assign them trips, and implement leader training seminars (Community Building + Risk Assessment + Wilderness Skillz). In the Summer, the TLTs around Hanover will work with a few Assistant TLTs (sophomores) to run more trainings. During Trips, you will conduct the Day 0 leader training on Gilman Island (including preparing dinner, facilitating discussions, and reviewing outdoor skills).

Requirements to be a Trip Leader Trainer:

- Applicants must have some past involvement as a volunteer for DOC Trips (Trip Leader, Croo Member, Directorate, etc.)
- All TLTs MUST be around/nearby Hanover in the spring of 2014 and during Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized). ****At least 1 TLTs *should* be around/nearby Hanover this summer (not taking classes though). *If you're not around campus this summer, apply anyway!***
- Ability to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program (and the training we provide volunteers) can improve and evolve.
- At least 2 TLTs must have considerable wilderness experience and feel comfortable teaching wilderness skills to trip leaders.
***If you don't have much outdoors experience, you can still apply to be a TLT! We're looking for 3 people who will bring complementary skills and collaborate to make trip leader training an amazing experience.*
- Be willing to work REALLY HARD in this role and have a blast doing it!
- *Some* prior experience and strong interest in facilitating discussions & reflections around group dynamics, leadership, mentoring, building community, and inclusion.
- Be comfortable working/speaking in front of, interacting with, and leading large groups of people.
- Must be willing and able to become College driver certified by August 2014.

How much work does this position require?

The three (3) TLTs will be busy with trip leader work, but they should maintain a “big picture” understanding of the program and assist other directorate members as needed. TLTs are not pre-assigned any specific areas of work; everyone is an equal contributing member of the team! This is a volunteer position!

During the Spring & Summer terms, TLTs will put in 10-12 hours of fun, fulfilling work (including leading training seminars, selecting leaders, managing the leader database, email, etc...). During Trips 2014, TLT-ing is a 24-hour-a-day job!

Croo Captain

What's a Croo Captain?

Croo Captains make things happen. The croos, while all pretty different in their functions, exist to support the mission of Trips and make all the 'behind-the-scenes' details come together. While the croos add a unique and high-energy dimension to the program, their primary role is to support the trip leaders and tripees. I promise it will be LOTS of fun and a lot of responsibility – you will help choose croo members, set the tone & attitude for your croo, and be an integral part of shaping the overall mission and direction of Trips 2014!

It's a big job, but it's incredibly rewarding and an amazing way to dedicate your time to welcoming the '18s (!!!) to Dartmouth. Croo Captains, in addition to specific logistics planning for your respective croo, maintain a "big picture" understanding of the program and assist other directorate members as needed. Being a Croo Captain is a great way to carry on the traditions you love, change those that you don't, and make Trips a better program every year.

Connections, Grant, Hanover, Lodj, Vox, will each have two Captains while Klymbing, and Oak Hill will each have one Captain. All Croo Captains are volunteers!

What are the different croos?

Oak Hill Croo: Oak Hill Croo is based out of Oak Hill for the duration of Trips and will work with each section of mountain biking and ropes course trips. Your croo will run the entire ropes course and help tripees learn the basics of mountain biking. A passion for teaching introductory mountain biking or facilitating challenge courses is a must. You should be excited about leading a small croo in instructing and facilitating challenging and fun experiences at Oak Hill.

Klymbing Croo: As captain, you will work with 3 other students to greet and coordinate the logistics of all ten climbing trips. This Croo teaches basic climbing, ensures safety, and hosts evening programs for tripees – all while making the tripees as comfortable as possible. You must be top rope certified and pumped about teaching basic climbing to lots of inexperienced tripees & leaders!

Grant Croo: (The Second College Grant) oversees all logistics of Grant trips including canoeing, kayaking, nature painting/photography, and fishing trips. Croo members provide instruction for water trips and attend to trips needing assistance. You should have extensive experience leading whitewater-kayaking trips and be a certified Ledyard leader. You will work with your co-captain to ensure the safety of all participants and handle all logistics and planning for your croo. Because of the Grant's distance from Hanover, Grant Croo often works independently from the rest of Trips and therefore a high level of responsibility is key.

Connections Croo: Are you passionate about building community, helping new students adjust to Dartmouth, and planning fun events & programs? Your goal is to

connect with incoming class by welcoming tripees back from the wilderness, facilitating events/programs during Pre-O and keeping the Trips spirit alive during the academic year! A close working relationship with Orientation Team and amazing communication skills will be essential!

Hanover Croo: H Croo greets and orients first-year students when they arrive in Hanover, and is primarily a logistics team. H-Croo coordinates the movement of tripees, equipment, and food, while communicating with Leaders, all other Croos, and Trip Leader Trainers. H Croo captains must be masters of delegation in order to accomplish all of the daily tasks. H Croo Captains encourage and motivate the croo to accomplish all tasks and create a fun and welcoming atmosphere for all Tripees.

Vox Croo: Vox is responsible for the safety during Trips. The Croo is on-call 24 hours a day to respond to all emergency issues, including evacuations. Vox also conducts regular check-ins, called “raids” (carrying extra water/food & first aid gear), and intercepting trips on the trail to spend a meal/rest break with the trip. When not raiding trips, Vox Croo provides the other croos with assistance. The captains alternate monitoring the safety phone and they are responsible for coordinating all medical or resupply efforts. You must be prepared to calmly respond to emergency situations and send the appropriate resources to help. While often stressful, the role of Captain also requires the creativity and energy to encourage the Croo in creating entertaining and supportive raids.

Lodj Croo: Lodj Croo welcomes trips to Moosilauke Ravine Lodge, providing them with care, food, and entertainment. The Lodj program brings together all students on each section and serves to transition first-years to the larger Dartmouth community. Lodj Croo Captains set the tone for their Croo and prepare their team to serve as informed mentors, and approachable, compassionate individuals who are eager to forge connections with tripees that carry on beyond the lodge. The Captains are also responsible for the logistics of operating the lodge, which includes transportation, bedding, food, and activities for all participants.

Requirements to be a Croo Captain:

- No Croo Captain positions require past croo experience! That being said, relevant experience is extremely important. Applicants without croo experience must have demonstrated skills and experience similar to those required for leading a croo.
- All Croo Captains MUST be around/nearby Hanover in the spring of 2014 and during Trips (August 19ish – September 12ish, dates are not yet finalized).
- Ability to think creatively, critically, and thoughtfully about how the Trips program can improve and evolve.
- Must be willing and able to become College driver certified by August 2014.

How much work does this position require?

Being a Croo Captain is VERY different than being a crooling; you will be a critical part of leading and planning the program, as well as representing Trips to the

broader Dartmouth community. Once selected, Croo Captains can expect to be an active participant in directorate meetings & retreats, assist with outreach activities, and help shape the vision for the program. **Croo Captains need to be in Hanover during the Spring.

In the spring, Croo Captains will be responsible for reading applications for both croo members and trip leaders, and participating in the final selection for all croo members. Additionally, Croo Captains will be handling much of the logistical planning and preparation for their specific role in Trips. This includes a lot of communication with other directorate members so we can ensure the program runs smoothly! While each croo has a very important and distinct role, Croo Captains should be excited about working with the entire Trips program – it's your job to see the "big picture" of Trips and lead your croo accordingly.

Application Process

Applications are **due Sunday, December 22nd by 8:18pm Eastern (early applications are also encouraged)**. Please submit your application via EMAIL to DOC.Trips@dartmouth.edu.

Your application must include the following:

- ❖ A cover page with your name, class year, Dartmouth ID number, contact information, and D-Plan (or where you will be) through the Fall of 2014.
- ❖ A brief (2 sentence) description of any past involvement with DOC Trips (leader, croo, TLT, etc...)
- ❖ The specific directorate position(s) you are applying for.
- ❖ A list of any relevant certifications you have and their expiration dates (i.e. EMT, WFA, etc...)
- ❖ A cover letter (no more than 3 pages single-spaced please!) addressing the qualifications & questions listed below. Please answer both the general cover letter questions as well as the position-specific questions.
- ❖ A description of your schedule and time commitments for the winter, spring, and summer (i.e. off-term location, in-season athlete, hard classes, thesis, other campus jobs, etc...)?
- ❖ Two references, 1 student/alum and 1 faculty or staff member, with appropriate contact information. Your references should have a general understanding of the Trips program. References DO NOT need to provide us with a written recommendation, we will contact them with any particular questions we may have.

General Cover Letter Questions

If you are applying for more than one directorate position, you can leave this portion of your cover letter identical. Please turn in one application for each position (i.e. please do not combine all applications in one document).

Discuss your motivation(s) and interest in the Trips program; why do you want to be involved in Trips 2014? What do you see as the goal(s) of welcoming a new class, and what, specifically, do you want first year students to take away from Trips? How do you imagine the program in 10 years? Describe your leadership style and discuss how you handle projects, group work, deadlines, and multi-tasking. How will you contribute to the diversity of the Trips Directorate? Briefly (I mean it!) describe your involvements on campus.

**Please look below for position-specific application questions. Feel free to mention or highlight anything else you feel is important or relevant to the position(s) you're applying for or the program in general!

Outdoor Logistics Coordinator Cover Letter Questions

Please discuss your interest in this new position and describe how you hope to shape the role of the Outdoor Logistics Coordinator. What excites you about this position? What skills and experiences do you have that will help you in this position? Please describe your trip planning experience as well as your experience with logistics. What are some ideas you have to improve Trips through this position? Please describe any involvement you have with outdoor organizations at Dartmouth or elsewhere.

Sustainability Coordinator Cover Letter Questions

Please discuss your interest and experience working with sustainability initiatives and issues. What is your interest in this position and what do you think you will bring to it? Why is sustainability an important message for DOC Trips to promote? What are your initial ideas to enhance sustainability efforts within Trips and improve the way in which we communicate these ideas? Discuss a challenge you faced in your work in sustainability. Share an experience in which you had to take initiative in a leadership role.

Safety Master Cover Letter Questions

Please discuss your medical certifications and relevant experiences. What is your interest in this position? What is your experience with emergency medicine, and first aid in a wilderness setting? Describe your experience teaching and/or facilitating discussions with groups of peers. What are your initial ideas to make Trips safer and better prepared for emergencies? Given the flexibility of this role, please discuss examples of your self-motivation, initiative, and/or creativity.

Outreach Coordinator Cover Letter Questions

Why is this role important to you? What, specifically, can you bring to Trips as the Outreach Coordinator? Please discuss your experience engaging with issues of diversity and inclusion (race, status, ability, nationality, sexual orientation, etc...). What initial suggestions do you have to create a more welcoming and thoughtful experience for '18s on Trips? Describe any experiences you have trying to create a more inclusive environment. What is your experience with communications or social media?

Trip Leader Trainer Cover Letter Questions

Why is this role important to you? What, specifically, can you bring to Trips as a Trip Leader Trainer? How has your prior involvement with Trips shaped your interest and goals for this position? Please discuss your experience in leading group activities, facilitating discussions with groups of peers, and planning/developing any sort of instructional materials. If you have prior experience as a leader, how would you revise or redesign trip leader training? How can trip leader training be more effective, engaging, and informative?

Please discuss your wilderness experience, familiarity with the outdoor areas used during Trips, and your involvement with any of the DOC's sub-clubs. What qualities would your ideal co-TLTs possess? Describe your strengths and weaknesses in regards to this position.

Croo Captain Cover Letter Questions

ALL Croo Captain Applicants:

Please discuss your motivation and goals in applying to be a Croo Captain. Discuss how your experiences, both inside and outside of Trips, will inform your role as a Croo Captain. What suggestions do you have to improve the croo you are interested in leading? Discuss some of your ideas, dreams, and goals for your croo and for Trips 2014. What is the overall tone you believe Trips should set and how will your croo play into that?

Hanover/Lodj/Vox/Grant/Connection Croo Applicants: What skills and strengths do you believe your ideal co-captain should have that complement your own weaknesses? How do you envision your relationship with your co-captain? If you have not been on this croo in the past, please describe the skills and experiences that have prepared you for this position.

Vox Croo Applicants: Please describe your outdoor experience and qualifications regarding safety, medical care, and managing risk.

***Advanced safety certification is NOT required to apply. I just want to get a sense of what your prior exposure is to these topics.*

Grant/Klymbing/Oak Hill Croo Applicants: Please address your qualifications and prior experience with kayaking, climbing, or ropes courses and biking, respectively. Please be detailed!

How the Directorate is selected:

The Director and Assistant Director will read all directorate applications and make the final selections. Former Trips volunteers may be consulted for their input, but the final decision rests with the 2014 Director & Assistant Director. For some positions, the Director may contact the appropriate campus group (e.g. Sustainability Office, Ledyard Canoe Club, etc.) for an assessment of necessary skills for that position.

Every effort will be made to arrange interviews (in-person, phone, or Skype), but due to the volume of applications, an interview is NOT guaranteed for all candidates.

**If you are without reliable internet access during the winter term, please send a blitz to the DOC.Trips@dartmouth.edu account as early as possible.

All applicants will be notified no later than Monday, January 13th, 2014.

Final ideas...

"I would insist that the person who spends four years in our North Country and who does not learn to hear the melody of rustling leaves, who has not stood enthralled on the top of Moosilauke on a moonlit night, who has not seen a sunset from one of Hanover's hills, who has not thrilled at the whiteness of the snow-clad countryside in winter – I would insist that this person has not reached out for some of the most worthwhile educational values accessible to them at Dartmouth."

--Ernest Martin Hopkins (Dartmouth College President, 1916-1945)

Doc Trips is an incredibly unique and exciting program. We have the opportunity to provide most Dartmouth students with their first experience with their new classmates. Along with this immense opportunity comes the responsibility to ensure that the Trips program provides a welcoming, safe, and fun environment for students of a diverse range of backgrounds. The program has endless potential to improve and carry on what makes Dartmouth a special place to call home. The 2014 Trip Directorate will play a major roll in shaping the direction and goals of Trips 2014.

Take some time as you write your application(s) to consider the impact that Trips has (or has not) had on your experience at Dartmouth. How do you envision your role in improving the program for the Class of 2018? What do you hope to contribute to the program and what do you hope to learn from the experience?

I am incredibly excited that you are considering applying for Trips Directorate. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the various positions or applications. I would also be happy to put you in touch with past members of Directorate who can describe their roles and experiences. I look forward to reading your applications!

Best,
Gerben Scherpbier '14
Director 2014