

“Rush Hour” Directions to Hartford Seminary

Below are some alternative routes/ timesavers (perhaps) to Hartford Seminary during rush hour if Rt. 84 is moving slowly or traffic is at a standstill.

Coming from the East (heading West into Hartford) on Rt. 84:

- Get off Rt. 84 at Exit 54 (sign says “Downtown Hartford” I believe); this exit is right after the exit for Rt 2 East.

Direction A:

- Come across the Founders Bridge, at end of bridge, cross Columbus and stay straight (do not turn); you will be on State St. (Central Row) and the Old State House will be on the right at the corner of State St. and Main St.
- Cross Main St. (State St. then becomes Pearl St.) and stay on Pearl Street, crossing Trumbull and Ann Streets.
- Just after Ann Street, be sure you are in the right lane and turn right at the next light (it’s a dead end so you must turn right or left);
- Go one block and turn left onto Asylum Ave.
- Stay on Asylum, go under the RR bridge, and go up the hill, remaining in the LEFT lane.
- When Asylum splits, BEAR LEFT and you will be on Farmington Ave.

Direction B:

- Stay on Farmington Ave. several blocks; you will cross Sigourney, then Woodland St. (Immanuel Congregational Church is on the right at the corner of Woodland and Farmington)
- About one block after Woodland, turn right on Owen Street (it’s one way and is actually Lorraine St on this side of Farmington Ave. but for some reason the street sign on Farmington says “Owen St.”)
- Follow it around and it deadends at Sherman Street and the Seminary is right there.

Coming from East or West on Rt. 84 and getting off at Exit 46 (Sisson Ave.)

To avoid waiting in the long line of traffic typically waiting at the light at Farmington Ave., you may wish to try the following:

- At the end of the exit ramp, turn right on Sisson Ave.
- At the first street (Warrenton Ave.), turn left;
- Go one block and turn right on Evergreen;
- Take Evergreen up to Farmington Ave (about 3 blocks) and turn right onto Farmington,
- Then make an ***immediate left*** onto Girard.
- Take Girard up to Fern St. (1 block),
- Turn right on Fern and you will come around in front of the Seminary (Fern becomes Sherman when it turns to the right.)

Coming from the West (heading East) on Rt. 84.

- Get off Rt. 84 at Exit 44 (Prospect Ave.); and continue straight to the stop light
- Then at the light (about 300 feet), turn left on Prospect Ave.
- Stay on Prospect several blocks; you will cross Beacon, Capitol, Warrenton; cross Farmington too.
- Two blocks after Farmington, turn right on Fern

Stay on Fern, cross Girard St., and immediately after Girard when Fern bears right, you are on Sherman St. and at the Seminary.

When you get off at exit 44 you want to go straight (the ramp comes off at an unusual angle) not right. If you turn right at the end of the ramp, you'll end up at Oakwood Ave. not Prospect Ave.

Coming on Rt. 91 North or South to Rt. 84.

- Get off Rt. 91 at the exit for Rt. 84 West;
- Once on Rt. 84 West, get off at Exit 48 (Asylum Ave.);
- at the end of the exit ramp, AT the stoplight (do not bear right before this);
- Turn right on Asylum Ave.
- Immediately get in left lane and bear left on Farmington Ave.
- Follow **Direction B** above.

Heading West on Rt. 2 (from points south and east of Hartford to Hartford):

After Exits 5a – 5 d, get in LEFT lane and take the Founders Bridge lane (the middle lane goes onto Rt. 84West; the right hand lanes exit to Pitkin Street and 84 East.)

Follow **Directions A and B** above.

Please contact Meg Wichser, Director of Educational Services, email: Wichser@hartsem.edu; 860-509-9552 if any part of these directions is not accurate or if you find better ways during rush hour that you'd like to share.