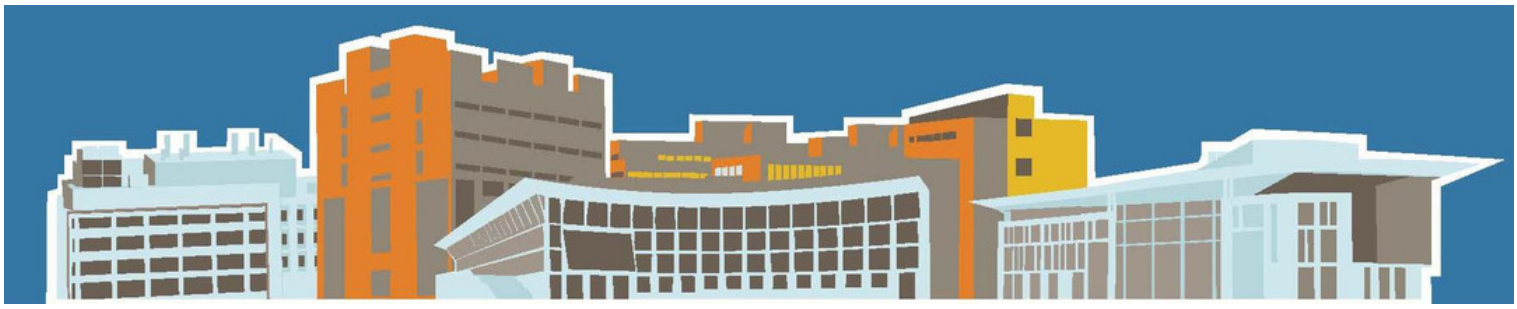

# Study at UMass Boston

## International Exchange Student Guide

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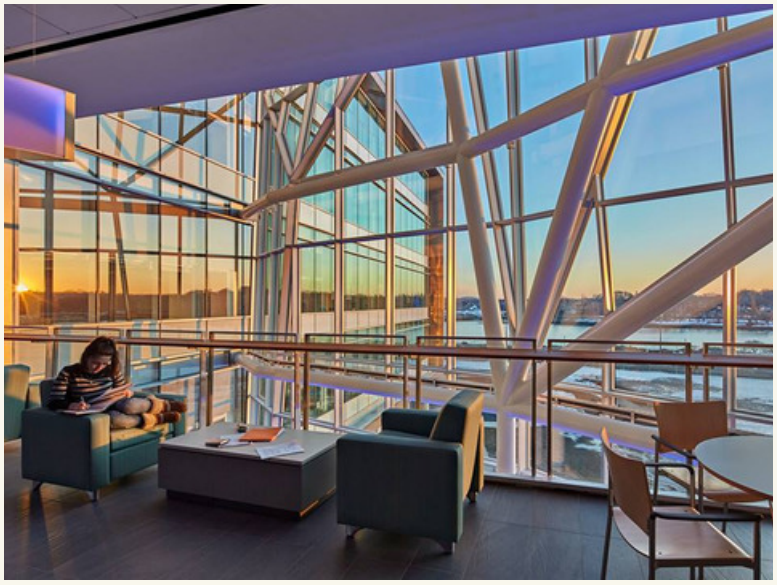
UMASS BOSTON

# ABOUT UMASS BOSTON



UMass Boston is home to a diverse and dynamic group of students who are committed and engaged as learners and researchers. Our vibrant social and academic environment encourages our diverse community of learners to thrive and succeed.

The campus is situated on the waterfront, just minutes from Boston's world class culture, sports, and entertainment.

# THE OFFICE OF GLOBAL PROGRAMS

The Office of Global Programs is here to facilitate your study abroad semester/ year at UMass Boston.

# MEET THE STAFF

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# ACADEMICS

As a UMass Boston exchange student, you are eligible to take any classes in any department with the exception of CAPS (continuing education courses). You will submit a Non-Degree Form with your courses of interest. With the help of a course selection advisor, your courses will be approved by each department. The earlier you complete this form the sooner you will be enrolled in courses.

## What can you study?

### College of Liberal Arts

- Africana Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art
- Asian Studies
- Classical Studies
- Communication
- Criminal Justice
- Economics
- English
- French
- History
- Italian
- Latin American and Iberian Studies
- Music
- Philosophy
- Philosophy and Public Policy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Women's and Gender Studies

### College of Management

- Information Technology
- Management
- Accounting
- Finance
- International Management
- Marketing

### College of Nursing and Health Sciences

- Exercise and Health Sciences
- Nursing *requires approval

### College of Mathematics and Sciences

- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Information Technology
- Mathematics
- Physics

# Courses of Interest

Below is a list of courses organized by department, that are held regularly and that may be of particular interest to our international exchange students. Please be sure you have the pre-requisites for the courses before you submit a Non-Degree Form. This is not a comprehensive list and not all courses are offered every semester. To see all courses please see the course catalog: https://www.umb.edu/academics/course_catalog

## Africana Studies

- AFRSTY 100 Intro to African-American Literature
- AFRSTY 110 African American History
- AFRSTY 250 The Civil Rights Movement
- AFRSTY 302 Marin and Malcolm X
- AFRSTY 407 Immigration Law and Race in America

## American Studies

- AMST 100 American Identities
- AMST 101 Popular Culture in America
- AMST 201 Latinos in the US
- AMST 223L America on Film
- AMST 228L Asian Women in the US
- AMST 240G War in American Culture
- AMST 250 American Travel and Tourism
- AMST 325L Sexual Identities in American Culture
- AMST 394L Women in US Social Movements
- AMST 405 The Immigrant Experience

## History

- HIST 171 Medicine and Health in the US
- HIST 173 Baseball and American History
- HIST 175 Comic Books in America
- HIST 177 Race, Citizenship, and Immigration in the US
- HIST 210L Labor and Working Class History in the US
- HIST 220 History of European Imerialism
- HIST 248 Early Islamic History
- HIST 362 American Indian History since 1877
- HIST 290G Globalization in Historical Perspective
- HIST 326 Hitler, A Man and His Times

## Economics

- ECON 101 Intro to Macroeconomics
- ECON 102 Intro to Microeconomics
- ECON 201 Microeconomic Theory
- ECON 202 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECON 308 History of Economic Thought
- ECON 327 Political Economy of Development in Africa
- ECON 224 International Trade
- ECON 339 Political Economy of International Migration

## English

- ENGL 126 Young Adult Literature
- ENGL 200 Introduction to Literary Studies
- ENGL 202 Six American Authors
- ENGL 210 Introduction to Creative Writing
- ENGL 242 Grammar for Every Writer
- ENGL 262G The Art of Literature
- ENGL 272G The Art of Poetry
- ENGL 273G The Art of Fiction
- ENGL 274G The Art of Drama
- ENGL 276G The Art of Life Writing
- ENGL 284 Language, Literacy and Community
- ENGL 293 Literature and Human Rights
- ENGL 307 Journalism and Media Writing

## Exercise and Health Sciences

- EHS 120 Careers in Exercise & Health
- EHS 150 Introduction to Nutrition
- EHS 240 Prevention and Care of Sports Injuries
- EHS 280 Statistics for Health Professionals
- EHS 310 Applied Kinesiology
- EHS 380 Exercise Physiology I
- EHS 390 Exercise Physiology II
- EHS 420 Pediatric Exercise

## Latin American and Iberian Studies

- LATAM 100 Native Peoples of South America
- LATAM 205 Latin American Film
- LATAM 210G Food, Culture, and Society in Latin America
- LATAM 270 Human Rights in Latin America
- Elementary to Advanced Portuguese language courses (various courses)
- Elementary to High Advanced Spanish language courses (various courses)

## Management

- IT 11L Managerial Statistics
- ECON 205 Statistical Methods
- Math 125 Introductory Statistics
- IT 114: Intro to Java
- CS 110 Intro to Computing
- AF 210 Financial Accounting
- AF 211 Managerial Accounting
- BC 230 Fundamentals of Business
- Communication & Critical Analysis
- BC 290 Professional Written Communication & Critical Analysis
- AF 301 Intro to Financial Management
- MGT 303 Managing Organizations
- MGT 330 Business Environments and Public Policy
- MGT 331 Managerial Ethics and Social Issues
- MKT 301 Principles of Marketing
- MSIS 301 Operations Management
- MKT 430 International Marketing

## Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

Language courses offered:

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- German
- Italian
- Japanese

## Political Science

- POLSCI 102 Government and Politics of the United States
- POLSCI 220 International Relations
- POLSCI 265L World War II Internment of Japanese Americans
- POLSCI 311 Political Parties
- POLSCI 322 Politics of Poverty and US Social Welfare Policy
- POLSCI 329 American Constitutional Law
- POLSCI 330 Presidential Elections

## Psychology

- PSYCH 101 Introductory Psychology
- PSYCH 210 Personality
- PSYCH 215 Abnormal Psychology
- PSYCH 230 Social Psychology
- PSYCH 241 Infancy and Childhood Development
- PSYCH 242 Adolescence
- PSYCH 250 Learning and Memory
- PSYCH 255 Perception
- PSYCH 360 Behavioral Neuroscience

## Sociology

- SOCIOL 104 Intro to Systems of Criminal Justice
- SOCIOL 220 The Sociology of Native Americans
- SOCIOL 223L Asians in the US
- SOCIOL 230 Race, Incarceration, and Deportation
- SOCIOL 262 Criminology
- SOCIOL 290 Enviornmental Justice and Human Disasters

## Women's and Gender Studies

- WGS 100 Intro to Women, Gender and Sexualities in the US
- WGS 120G Women and Men in Families
- WGS 200 Twentieth Century Women Writers: A Feminist Perspective
- WGS 207L Queer Visual Culture: Sexuality, Gender and Visual Representation
- WGS 295L Intro to Human Rights

# HOW TO APPLY

1. Check your eligibility
2. Receive nomination from your home university
3. Submit your application by the deadline
4. Submit your supporting documents
5. After acceptance, apply for your visa
6. Enrollment

## Application Deadlines

Full academic year: March 1
Fall semester (September- December): April 1
Spring semester (January- May): October 1

** All application materials must be in by this deadline. You should be nominated by your home university before this deadline.

## Eligibility

Language Requirements:

TOEFL (internet-based): 79-80
TOEFL (computer-based): 213
IELTS: 6.0

## Other requirements:

- Must be matriculated student at a university with a formal exchange agreement with UMass Boston.
- Must have been nominated by your home university before the application deadline.
- Must have completed at least 1 year of study at your home university.

# APPLICATION

The exchange student application:
https://www.umb.edu/editor_uploads/images/oita/DS2019_Request_Form_for_Exchange_Student_Visitor_-_2017.pdf

## Supporting Documents:

- An official transcript(s), in English, of courses previously completed
- Minimum TOEFL score of 79-80 (Internet-Based) or 213 (Computer-Based) for both Undergraduate and Graduate students; or IELTS score of 6
- A Professor's academic recommendation
- A 200-word essay explaining the reasons for studying at UMass Boston
- Evidence of funding ($1,500 per month X number of months of intended stay at UMass Boston) that may in the form of a scholarship award letter, or a personal bank statement, or an affidavit of support from parents/sponsor accompanied by evidence of that individual's ability to finance your studies
- A copy of your Passport page (if available)
- Copies of any previous DS-2019s (if you have participated in an exchange program before)

Send these documents to global@umb.edu.

# POST-ACCEPTANCE

## Submit the Non-Degree Registration Form

To download: https://www.umb.edu/editor_uploads/images/oita/Non-degree_Student_Registration_Form_SP16_V5.pdf

1. Browse course offerings for the term in which you are applying here:
https://www.umb.edu/academics/course_catalog

2. Work with your study abroad advisor to fill out the Non-Degree Form above with your selection of classes and send it to global@umb.edu.

3. This form will then be sent to the academic departments for each course for approval.

4. Once approved, you will be emailed by our office and you will then be registered for your courses.

**Please note: Courses at UMass Boston fill quickly, the sooner you can get our office this form the better chances are of getting into your first choice of courses.**

# POST-ACCEPTANCE

## VISA PROCESS

## Once you receive a DS-2019 you must obtain a visa to study in the USA.

**Once you receive your DS2019 (and pay the SEVIS fee) you can contact the nearest U.S. Embassy/Consulate to request a visa appointment.**

You can find embassy locations and visa information (non-immigrant visas) at: www.usembassy.gov. In general you will need to:

1.) Complete a visa application, Form DS-160 (can be downloaded from U.S embassy/consulate website) and print out the receipt for the fee payment.
2.) Have a passport valid 6 months into the future.
3.) Demonstrate proof of funds for study in the U.S. through financial documentation.
4.) Provide a valid and signed DS2019.
5.) Pay the I-901 (SEVIS) fee: payment of the SEVIS fee is required of all foreign nationals coming to the United States in J-1 nonimmigrant status. You will be required to make the payment before applying for a U.S. visa stamp and bring the receipt with you to your interview. You can pay the online at www.fmjfee.com.

**Education USA – Student Visa Process**
Please visit the Education USA website for information and videos about the student visa process.

You can view international students discussing visa interviews at www.educationusa.state.gov. Go to “International Students” and then to “Prepare for the Student Visa.” You may also view a video made by international students called “International Student Demystify the Visa Process” which will give you useful information about your visa interview.

# POST-ACCEPTANCE

## UPON ARRIVAL

**US-Visit: Arriving at a Port of Entry**
When you arrive at the U.S. border you will be processed by a Customs and Border Protection (CBP) agent and you will go through the US-Visit System. You will have two finger prints scanned by an inkless device and have a digital photograph taken. This should only take a few seconds.

Please be sure that you enter the U.S. on your J-1 student visa and not on another visa stamp that may be in your passport. After you arrive, you can check your electronic I-94 record to make sure you were admitted in proper J-1 status.You can do this at: www.cbp.gov/I94. Should you find that you were not admitted in J-1 status you should report this to the ISSO and we will instruct you on how to fix your CPB arrival record.

**Immigration Document Check & Government Reporting (SEVIS Registration)**
You are required by U.S. immigration law to physically report to the institution listed on your U.S visa stamp within 30 days of your arrival. The Study Abroad & Exchange Office must report your presence in the government database within 30 days of arrival. At the International Student Orientation an advisor will review of your original immigration documents during your J-1 immigration presentation. You will be issued information about the upcoming orientation by the Office of Global Programs. You must attend this orientation session to receive an online link to upload your immigration documents.

**Important Insurance Information**
All J-1 Exchange Visitors are required by federal regulations to have medical insurance for the entire period of their stay in the U.S. You may select the medical insurance that is best for you; however, here is the minimum coverage that must be met:

- $100,000 per accident or illness
- Medical evacuation in the amount of $10,000**
- Repatriation coverage for up to $7500**
- A deductible of no more than $500 per illness

** Please note that MEDICAL EVACUATION AND REPATRIATION COVERAGE IS AVAILIBLE FREE OF CHARGE TO ALL J-1 EXCHAGNE VISITORS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO ENROLL OR COMPLETE AN APPLICATION.

You will receive a separate email with the insurance card listing the University policy number when your DS2019 is issued.

International Student & Scholar Services
University of Massachusetts Boston
100 Morrissey Blvd, Boston, MA 02125
Block 2100, 2nd Floor, Campus Center
617-287-5586/ Fax: 617-287-3963
Email: isss@umb.edu

# HOUSING

## Secure your housing

UMass Boston does not currently offer housing for exchange students. The residence halls we have on campus are for matriculated freshman students only. We do have an off-campus housing office on campus, and have the following resources to help you find housing in Boston.

## The Office of Off-Campus Housing

https://www.umb.edu/housing/off_campus

Campus Center, 2nd Floor Suite 2300
Call: 1617-287-6011
Email: osh@umb.edu

# HOUSING RESOURCES

**Housing Search Time-line and Checklist:**
https://www.umb.edu/editor_uploads/images/life_on_campus/Housing_Search_Timeline__Checklist_2017.pdf

**UMass Boston Roommate Facebook page:** https://www.facebook.com/UMass-Boston-Housing-Apartments-and-Roommates-220650151303859/

**UMass Boston Off-Campus Housing Gateway:** http://umb.ochgateway.com/

**International Students Housing Resources:**
https://www.umb.edu/editor_uploads/images/housing/Copy_of_Off-Campus_Housing_Resources.pdf

**Boston Area Housing Resource Guide:**
https://www.umb.edu/editor_uploads/images/life_on_campus/Boston_Area_Housing_Resources_SP17.pdf

**UMass Boston Community Guide:**
https://www.umb.edu/housing/off_campus/living_in_the_community

# GETTING HERE

University of Massachusetts Boston
100 William T Morrissey Boulevard Boston, MA  02125

## Public Transportation

All airport shuttles except airport shuttle bus 11 and 88.

The Silver Line Route SL1 (Logan Airport - South Station) bus rapid transit service is your best direct option to South Station Rail & Bus Terminal and is FREE.

At South Station, connect to the Red Line ($2.75) with destination to Braintree OR Ashmont. Ride 3 stops to JFK/UMass Station.

From JFK/UMass Station to the Campus take the Shuttle Bus service:

Route 1 buses run non-stop from the JFK/UMass Station to the Campus Center:
Monday-Thursday: 6:30am-10:30pm
Friday: 6:30am-10:00pm

The Route 2 bus runs from the JFK/UMass Station to the Clark Athletic Center, the Massachusetts Archives, and the JFK Library on the following schedule: (Note: The bus makes the Campus Center and ISC stops on the weekends.)
Monday-Friday: 8:00am- 5:45pm
Saturday: 7:30am- 7:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am-5:45pm

## Taxi/Uber

A taxi from the airport to Government Center (Downtown) is estimated: $30-35
A taxi from the airport to UMass Boston is estimated: $30-45

An Uber from the airport to Downtown Boston is estimated: $12-20
An Uber from the airport to UMass Boston is estimated: $20-30

## Nearby Accommodations

**Club Hotel by Doubletree Boston Bayside**
240 Mt. Vernon Street, Boston, MA 02125, www.doubletreehotels.com. Please call 617.822.3600. Located adjacent to the campus. For reservations, call 1.888.222.TREE and request the University of Massachusetts Boston preferred rate. It offers a free shuttle service to Logan Airport, downtown Boston, and complimentary parking. Must be 21 or older to check-in.

**The Boston Park Plaza Hotel**
50 Park Plaza at Arlington Street, Boston, MA 02116. Located approximately three miles from the university on the Red Line. Please call 1.617.426.2000 and request the University of Massachusetts Boston preferred rate. Must be 18 or older to check-in.

**Holiday Inn Express**
5 Howard Johnson Plaza, Dorchester, MA 02125. For reservations. Please call 617.288.3030 and request the UMass Boston Corporate rate. Must be 21 or older to check-in.

**Comfort Inn Boston**
Located one mile from the campus in the Phillips Family Hospitality Center. Please call 617.287.9200 and request the UMass Boston rate. Must be 21 or older to check-in.

**Westin Boston Waterfront**
Located less than three miles from Logan Airport. AAA Four Diamond award-winning hotel. Call 617.532.4600. Must be 21 or older to check-in.

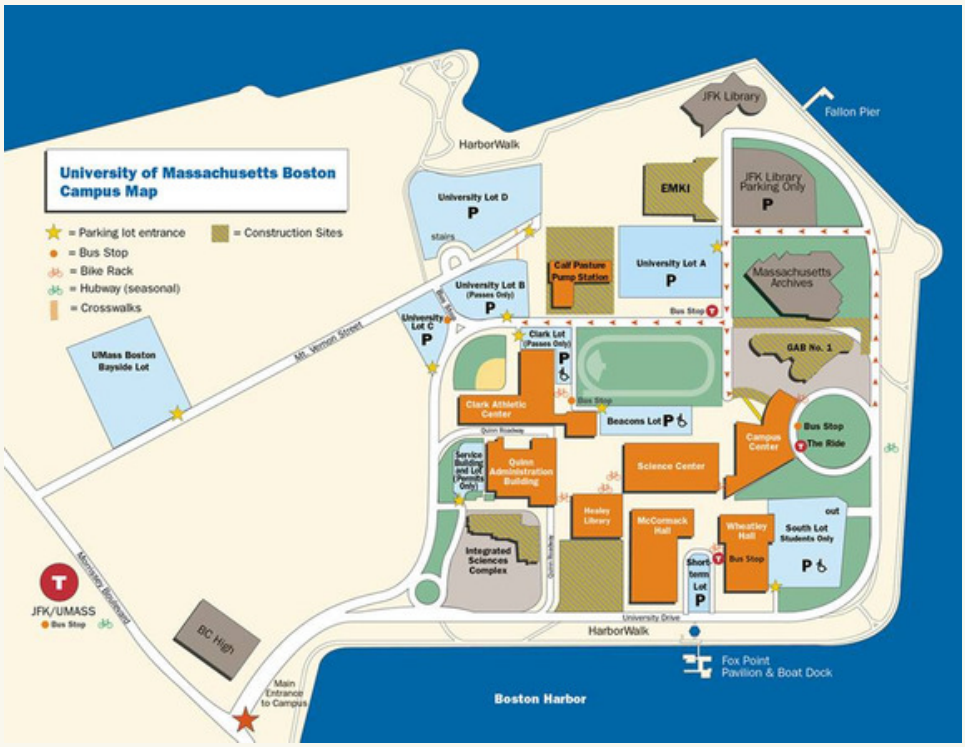
**Marriott Courtyard Boston**
63 R Boston Street, Boston, MA  02125. Offers complimentary airport shuttle. Please call 617.436.8200. Must be 21 or older to check-in.

**Airbnb**
Rooms from $22. Go to https://www.airbnb.com/ Must be 18 or older, depending on the host.

# LIFE AT UMASS

**Watch this video of life at UMass Boston!**

## Map of Campus



# DINING

**Campus Center:**

Food Court | 1st Floor

This one-stop dining location offers tasty sushi, pizza, made-to-order sandwiches, soup, salad, burgers, and delicious hot entrees. The sunlit dining facility is a great place to enjoy your meal while taking in the outstanding views of sea and sky. Offering wireless Internet access, the dining facility is also a great place to study alone or with friends.

**University Hall**

University Hall Cafe | 3rd Floor

Offers fresh salads, wraps, a stir-fry and noodle station, and grilled sandwiches.

**Other Dining Options on Campus:**

Dunkin Donuts: Campus Center UL

Healey Library Cafe (Starbucks Coffee): Healey Library 2nd Floor

ISC Cafe: Integrated Science Complex 1st Floor

McCormack Express: McCormack Hall 1st Floor

New Dining Hall coming in Fall 2018 in the on-campus Residence Hall!

# UMBeInvolved

https://umb.campuslabs.com/engage/

View events, organizations, student clubs, and more on ways to get involved on campus during your time here!

**Student Centers:**

Asian Student Center
Black Student Center
Casa Latina
Queer Student Center
Student Veterans Center
Women's Center

**Other Involvement Opportunities:**

Harbor Art Gallery
Mass Media Student Newspaper
Marble Collection
Student Arts and Events Council (SAEC)
Undergraduate Student Government
Watermark Literary Journal

## Student Clubs

Active Minds at UMass Boston
African Students Union (ASU)
Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society
Alpha Omega
American Society of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
Anime & Manga Club
Arab Student Association
Armenian Students Association
Art Union
Bangladeshi Student Association
Beacon Lifting Club
Beacon Voyages for Service
Blue Beacon Films
Boating Club
Business and Marketing Club
Capoeira/Martial Arts Club
Catholic Student Association
Cheerleading Club
Chess Club
Chinese Student Association
Christians on Campus
Cinema Studies Club
College Democrats
Delta Sigma Pi
Desi Student Association
Engineering Club
Fair Trade UMass Boston
Free the Children
French Club
German Club
Ghanaian Student Association
Gift of Life at UMass Boston
Golden Key International Honor Society
Haitian American Society (HAS)
Hip Hop Initiative
Honors Student Union
Hoy!Pinoy!
International English Socializer Club
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
Investment Club
Japanese Language Club
Japanese Student Association
K-Pop (Korean Wave Club)
Khmer Culture Association
MASSPIRG
Math Club
Model United Nations
Muslim Students Association
Neuroscience Club
Pakistani Students Association
Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity Interest Group
Philosophy Club
Photography Club
Pre-Dental Society
Psychology Club
Rugby Club
SABOR Latin Dance Club
Saudi Students Association
Scuba Dive and Snorkeling Club
Skematix Dance Club
Slam Poets Society
Society of Physics Students
Sojourn Collegiate Ministry
Somali Students Association
Student Alliance for Indigenous Peoples in America
Student Immigration Movement (SIM)
Student Nurses Association
Students for Sensible Drug Policy
Students for Recovery
Sustainability Club
Table Tennis Club
Taiwanese Student Association
Tango Club
Turning Point USA
UNICEF
Vietnamese Student Association
Women in Business
Writ Large
Young Americans for Liberty at UMASS Boston

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES

**Recreation and Fitness**

Enjoy the Beacon Fitness Center, swimming pool, intramural sports, and free kayaking and sailing lessons!
www.umb.edu/athletics

**Student Arts and Events Council (SAEC)**

Come join in student events like the Student Activity Fair, game nights, the spring ball, concerts, and many more. You can also buy discounted tickets to Boston museums, the Aquarium, the Zoo, sporting events like the Celtics and Red Sox,  go on trips to places like Six Flags, NYC, skiing, and other events happening in Boston.

**The Office of Student Leadership and Community Engagement**

Volunteer opportunities are available on campus and around the surrounding area:
https://www.umb.edu/life_on_campus/student_involvement/oslce

**Office of Global Programs**

Be sure to check in with our office for trips and excursions around the Boston area!

Student Arts & Events Council
SAEC
www.saec.umb.edu

# ABOUT THE AREA

## Visit Boston: A City of Neighborhoods

## www.boston.gov/neighborhoods

## South Boston

South Boston spreads across a peninsula just south of Downtown Boston and east of the South End and Dorchester. South Boston is home to both long-time residents and a new wave of young professionals who are drawn to the area's open space, emerging nightlife, and easy access to downtown. The neighborhood boasts miles of beaches and waterfront parks, including Carson Beach, L Street Beach, Pleasure Bay, and the Strandway. South Boston's commercial district, including established businesses alongside new bars, restaurants, and retailers, is built around East and West Broadway.

Commute to campus: 10-20 minutes

## Dorchester

Dorchester is Boston's largest and oldest neighborhood, and is home to UMass Boston. Dorchester's demographic diversity has been a well-sustained tradition of the neighborhood, and long-time residents blend with more recent immigrants. A number of smaller communities compose the greater neighborhood, including Codman Square, Jones Hill, Meeting House Hill, Pope's Hill, Savin Hill, Harbor Point, Lower Mills, and Port Norfolk. Malibu and Tenean Beaches offer summertime recreation and numerous parks are scattered through the area.

Commute to campus: 5-20 minutes

## Mattapan

The neighborhood of Mattapan is a southern neighborhood of Boston. Today, Mattapan is a residential area with growing commercial centers. Mattapan is home to a diverse population—primarily made up of Haitians, other Caribbean immigrants, and African Americans. Mattapan residents enjoy a significant amount of green space, including Harambee Park, the Franklin Park Zoo, the Boston Nature Center and Wildlife Sanctuary, and the historic Forest Hills Cemetery. Blue Hill Avenue and Mattapan Square are the neighborhood's main commercial districts, home to banks, law offices, restaurants, retail shops, health centers, and places of worship.

Commute to campus: 15-20 minutes

# ABOUT THE AREA

## Cambridge

Cambridge is a unique community with a strong mix of cultural and social diversity, intellectual vitality, and technological innovation. College students from around the world study at Harvard, Radcliffe, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Lesley University. The charming neighborhoods ("Squares") of Cambridge are rich in options for shopping, dining, and sightseeing, offering plenty of theatres, museums, and historic sites. Central Square, the seat of city government, contains a variety of international restaurants and music clubs. Kendall Square, home to MIT, is the focal point of the Massachusetts high tech and biotechnology industries. Harvard Square, surrounding the historic brick walls of the nation's oldest university, offers a plethora of cafes, bookstores, boutiques, and entertainment choices.

Commute to campus: 30-45 minutes

## Quincy

Just across the bay from campus, Quincy's impressive past remains vibrant today as the city lays claim to an exciting future. Fascinating historic sites abound, while miles of coastline capture the imagination. Culture and commerce blend to create an impressive array of things to see and do year round. Stroll the boardwalk at picturesque Marina Bay, the largest marina in the Northeast, and enjoy the incredible view of the Boston skyline. Known for its spectacular sunsets, Marina Bay has several restaurants offering outdoor and indoor waterfront dining as well as a variety of retail shops.

Commute to campus: 15-20 minutes

## Braintree

Braintree is a suburb of Boston located just next to Quincy. With easy access to the MBTA (red line and commuter rail) and highways, Braintree is host to many students and young professionals seeking more affordable housing options. Braintree is home to a strong business base which includes one of the largest regional shopping centers in the northeast; The South Shore Plaza.

Commute to campus: 30-45 minutes

## East Boston

In 1940, East Boston was the arrival point for thousands of immigrants to Boston, infusing the neighborhood with an Old World charm and diversity which still characterizes East Boston today. A number of unique restaurants and retailers reflect the diversity of the neighborhood. Maverick Square and Central Square are the main commercial areas. Though East Boston is not contiguous to Boston, it is easily accessed via the Callahan, Ted Williams, and Sumner Tunnels; the Blue Line T; MBTA ferries; and surface roads to the north. Belle Isle Marsh Reservation and Constitution Beach offer recreational opportunities to residents, and striking views of the Boston skyline can be had from Piers Park.

Commute to campus: 35-50 minutes

## Somerville

Somerville is an eclectic mix of blue-collar families, young professionals, college students and recent immigrants from countries as diverse as El Salvador, Haiti, and Brazil. There are more than 50 spoken languages in Somerville schools. With a large immigrant population, Somerville celebrates its diversity through numerous ceremonies celebrating cultural traditions and holidays. Somerville is defined by its city squares, which help mark neighborhood boundaries while also featuring bustling businesses and entertainment centers. Among the most active today are Davis Square, Union Square, Ball Square, Teele Square, Magoun Square, and Assembly Square. Each offers a mix of ethnic restaurants, bars and shops and small businesses to fit every taste and occasion.

Commute to campus: 40-60 minutes

# YOUR STUDENT ID

## Boston area discounts with your UMass Boston student ID:

### Around Campus

- Free student membership to the Beacon Fitness Center
- Free admission to the JFK Museum and the EMK Institute
- Discounted passes and tickets to movies, museums, and more in Student Activities and Leadership Office
- Free Monday Harbor Cruises from Fox Point Dock for students until September 24th
- Free sailing, kayaking, and standup paddleboarding for UMass Boston students (seasonal)

### Boston tickets

- Showcase, AMC, Regal Cinemas: $8 tickets
- New England Aquarium: $8 per ticket
- Museum of Science: $5 per ticket
- Zoo New England: $8 per ticket
- Boston Bowl: $10 per ticket for 2 games and shoe rental
- Red Sox: $9 (+fees) standing room tickets for college students
- Brattle Theater: Student discount with ID
- Blue Man Group: $30 tickets available 2 hours before shows based on availability
- Museum of Fine Art: FREE with ID
- Skywalk Observatory: $3.00 off any adult admission
- Boston Duck Tours: $6.00 off adult admission at the Prudential Center location
- Beantown Trolley: $5 off one day admission
- Old Town Trolley: $2.00 off adult admission
- Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum: $5.00 with ID

### Other discounts

- Apple Store: college discount with ID
- Dell: Discount for college students
- HP: Special Discounts for college students
- Microsoft: Prudential Center location 10% discount for students on select products
- Amazon Prime: Free 2-day shipping with free membership program for college students

# TAKING THE "T"

The MBTA (The "T") connects the Greater Boston Area. The JFK/UMass Station on the T's red line is most convient to UMass Boston and there are shuttles that run every 5-10 minutes from the Campus Center. The T offers an 11% discount to all students if purchased through UMB Office of Student Activities.

# CONTACT US

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Campus Center
2nd Floor 2100

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isss@umb.edu

For academic course questions:
Tyler Murphy:
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