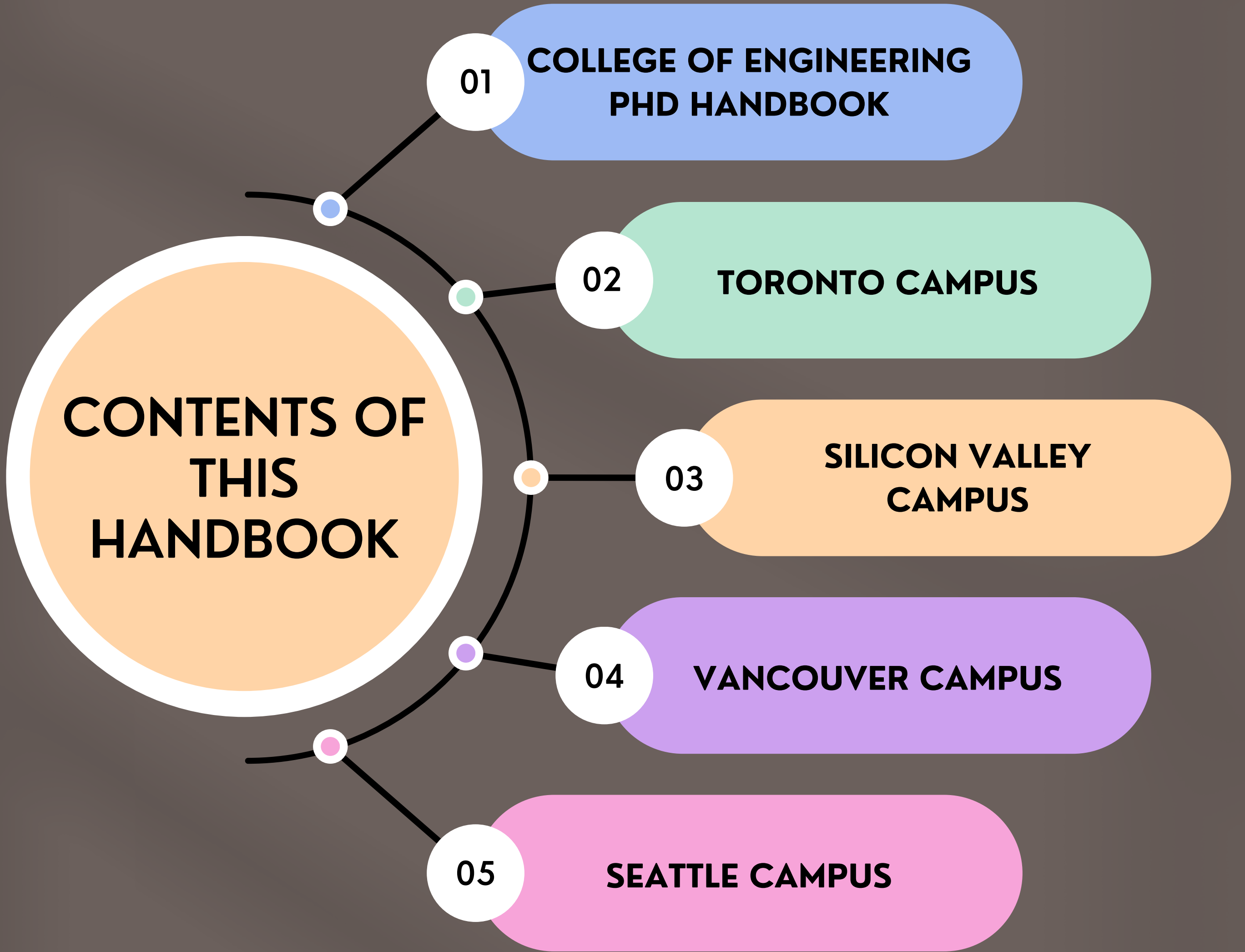


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Hello and welcome to Northeastern and the College of Engineering! We all are so excited that you wanted to join our Husky family. We are Josh, Brandon, Nate, and Sabrina and we are PhD students here to help you with your journey with this PhD handbook. The PhD Handbook has information on and resources for pretty much anything having to do with your program. Whether it is registering for courses, getting started on research, or finding good food options around campus, this handbook has it! We hope you have a great experience here in Boston.



WELCOME TO NORTHEASTERN!

*Congratulations on being accepted
to Northeastern University's
College of Engineering.*

*We are sure you have done your research
and are aware of the reputation and
vision of our college, but there is a lot
more that you can't find online that
makes Northeastern the perfect place to
pursue your graduate degree.*

*The College of Engineering (COE)
Graduate Student Ambassadors have
put together this handbook to help you
in your transition to Northeastern and to
Boston so that you become more easily
acclimated to academic and campus life
as a new part of the Husky community! If
you think something is missing or have
some feedback please let us know by
emailing the ambassadors - you can get
to know us better on our website!*

TIPS FOR USING THIS HANDBOOK

If you are using a printed version of this handbook, you can find a full list of hyperlink URLs used throughout the handbook, organized by the sections they appear, at the end of the handbook.

We use acronyms a lot around the COE when talking about places and organizations around Northeastern University. Here are some which are either frequently used or tend to be easily confused:

NEU & NU: Northeastern University

NEU and NU are used interchangeably and usually comes down to personal preference. NU is the correct acronym for official Northeastern marketing and communication.

COE: College of Engineering

This one is straightforward except for when it is used synonymously with GSE.

GSE: Graduate School of Engineering

In some cases, this is used to refer to the main office in suite 130 of the Snell Engineering Building.

GSC: Graduate Student Council or Graduate Studies Committee

Not all departments have a Graduate Student Council, a group of students that advocate for the needs of the student body within their respective departments, but every department has a Graduate Studies Committee. This consists of faculty members that represent/advise each department or concentration. We don't discuss them too much in this handbook, but it's helpful to be aware of the distinctions.

Advisor:

This term can refer to a few different kinds of people you will work with during your academic career: Faculty Advisor, Program Advisor, or Academic Advisor.

This is the person listed on your acceptance/award letter (I-20 for international students). If you are a PhD student, this is typically who you primarily report to, and may or may not be your PI (Principal Investigator).

Graduate Co-op Advisor or Co-Op Coordinator

This is the person responsible for assisting you in your Co-op search and preparation for joining the US workforce. Please note that a Co-op advisor will be allocated to you once you successfully complete the course ENCP 6000 or 6100 (whichever applies to you). Please refer to Graduate Co-op under Jobi Career Opportunities for details on the Co-op program.

Student Services Advisor, Graduate School Advisor, or Program Coordinator

This person is your point of contact in the GSE Office. In this handbook, we will use Graduate School Advisor.

Financial Services Advisor

If this applies to you, this is the person you will contact from the Office of Financial Services in 354 Richards Hall.

OGS: The Office of Global Services (OGS)

An active resource to 13,000 international students and scholars from 147 different nations across the world. They provide the professional expertise and support you need to maintain compliance through immigration, academic, and your employment experiences helping you remain a valuable member of the Northeastern community

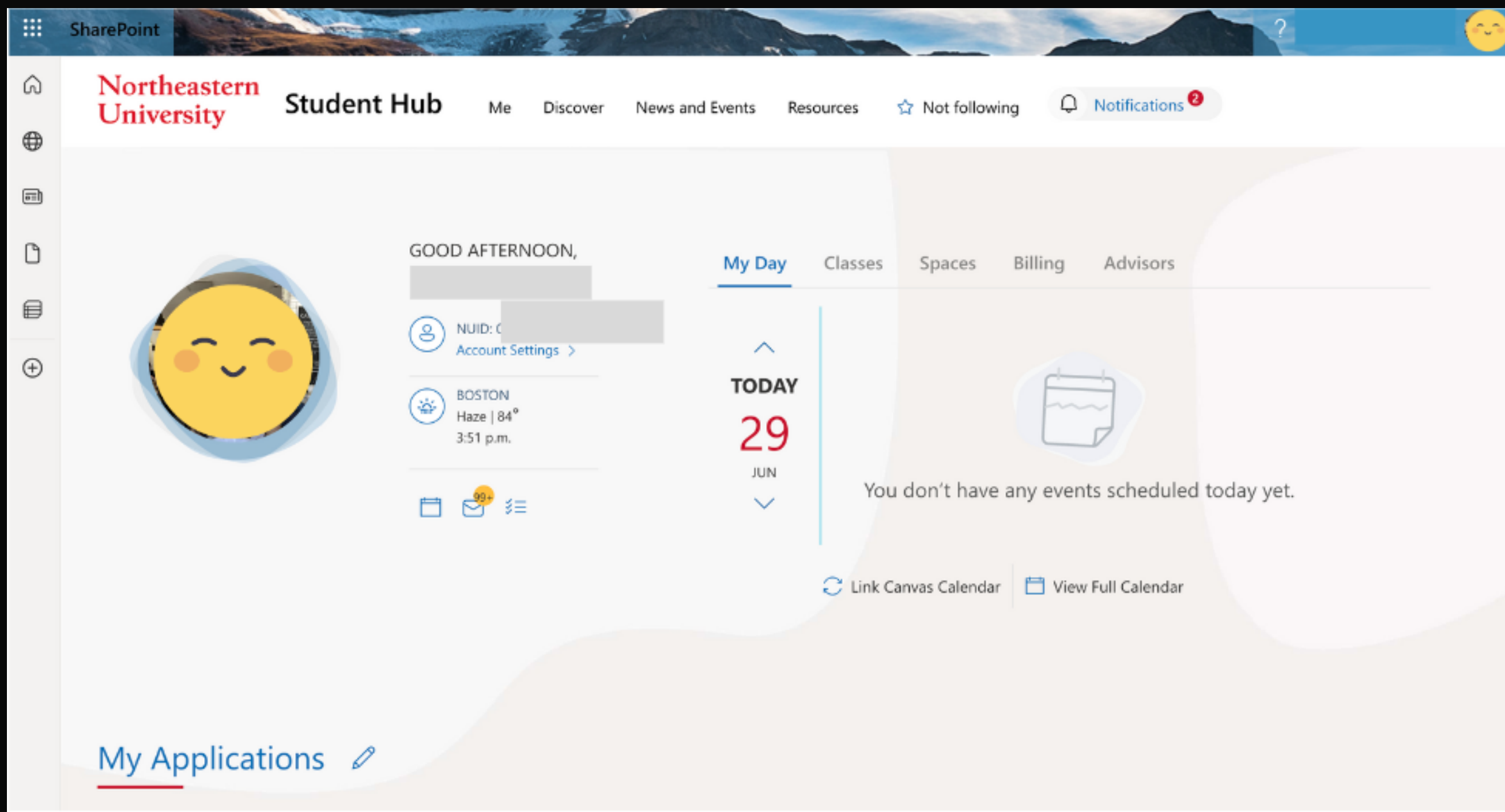
Student Employment Office

The formal name is Office of Student Employment, Graduate Assistantships & Fellowships (SEGAF). Its purpose is to help students and employers navigate the employment process and connect students with both on and off-campus job opportunities.

Employer Engagement and Career Design Office

You may hear your peers and professors refer to this as the Career Development Office as it changed its name in spring 2019

STUDENT HUB



If you are reading this, you have probably logged into STUDENT HUB at some point. **STUDENT HUB** is the University's community portal that provides access to almost every service and detail about your account that you will need as a student. Your home page is designed to let you know of all your schedules and tasks, notifications, pending emails, your NUID, and the weather. Up top, you have categories such as Me, Discover, News and Events, and Resources.

The 'Resources' page contains pretty much any other service you can think of in an easily accessible list format, from financial services to commencement.

You can even revisit your history of browsed links/services/webpages and mark your favorite links to appear right on your page! Some of the other things you can take advantage of through the Student Hub portal are:

- **Free educational training from LinkedIn Learning**
- **Pay your tuition fee with one click**
- **Register/drop/browse courses across all (valid) departments**
- **Apply for jobs through NUCareers as well as student employment (more in Job/Career Opportunities & Resources)**
- **Book a tech support appointment for your laptop**
- **Download a plethora of free or subsidized software provided exclusively to Northeastern students**
- **Apply for a career counseling session**
- **Browse through the immense collection of online books and research papers made available especially for you**

AND MUCH MORE!

If the list of these service options had you lost, you can always just type a service you'd like to locate in the search bar!

Important Contacts

Contact Name	Email (@northeastern.edu)	Phone Number	Office
Admissions	coe-gradadmissions@northeastern.edu	N/A	130 Snell Engineering
Graduate Advising	coe-gradadvising@northeastern.edu	N/A	130 Snell Engineering
Northeastern Police	N/A	Emergency: 617-373-3333 Non-emergency: 617-373-2121	717 Columbus Ave
Ombuds for Graduate Students	graduateombuds@northeastern.edu	617-373-6904	N/A
Financial Aid	gradsfs@northeastern.edu	617-373-5899	354 Richards Hall
Billing, Payments, and Third-Party Billing	studentaccounts@northeastern.edu	617-373-2270	354 Richards Hall
Registrar Office	registrar@northeastern.edu	617-373-2300	N/A
Academic Records, Transcripts, Enrollment and Degree Verification	gradtranscripts@northeastern.edu	617-373-2300	N/A
Office of Student employment, Graduate Assistantships and Fellowships:	seo@northeastern.edu	617-373-8733	175 Richards Hall
Veteran and Military Services	nuvets@northeastern.edu	617-373-2392	271 Huntington Ave
Husky Card Office	huskycard@northeastern.edu	617-373-8740	4 Speare Commons

Contact Name	Email (@northeastern.edu)	Phone Number	Office
University Health and Counseling Services	uhcs@northeastern.edu	617-373-2772	Forsyth Building, 1st Floor
Office of Prevention and Education	open@northeastern.edu	617-373-4459	307 Ell Hall
Office for University Equity and Compliance	ouec@northeastern.edu	617-373-4644	125 Richards Hall
Global Student Success	gss@northeastern.edu	617-373-2455	101 Belvidere St
Office of Global Services	ogs@northeastern.edu	617-373-2310	354 Richards Hall
LGBTQIA+ Center	lgbtqa@northeastern.edu	N/A	174 Curry Student Center
Center for Spirituality, Dialogue, and Service	csds@northeastern.edu	617-373-2728	203 & 206 Ell Hall
Asian American Center	nuaac@northeastern.edu	617-373-8852	109 Hemmingway St.
Center for Intercultural Engagement	cie@northeastern.edu	N/A	144 Curry Student Center
John D. O'Bryant African American Institute	jdoaai@northeastern.edu	617-373-3143	40 Leon St.
LatinX Student Cultural Center	website	website	104 Forsyth St.
Social Justice Resource Center	sjrc@northeastern.edu	617-373-3917	106 St. Stephen St



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ACADEMICS

Beyond the extraordinary quality of the education you will receive at Northeastern, the support given by staff and faculty throughout your academic journey is unparalleled. When it comes to academics, individual professors, department administration and the COE team want to see you succeed. Should you have questions or challenges, please don't hesitate to reach out - everyone in the Northeastern community is behind you.

COURSE REGISTRATION

The first major aspect of a PhD education is the graduate-level course component. Students entering with a Masters degree typically are required to complete a fewer number of courses (~20-24 Semester Hours), while students entering with a Bachelors will complete 30-36 Semester Hours. Each degree program typically requires a number of core courses intended to be completed by all students. Beyond these, students will select from a number of technical and open electives. PhD students will be expected to maintain a GPA above an acceptable threshold established by their department. These can range between 3.0 and 3.6, and it is recommended to consult your individual department handbook to determine the one that is relevant to you.

Specific course requirements for each department can be found through the links below:

- [Bioengineering catalog](#)
- [Chemical Engineering catalog](#)
- [Civil and Environmental Engineering catalog](#)
- [Computer and Electrical Engineering catalog](#)
- [Mechanical and Industrial Engineering catalog](#)

If you're interested in taking a course outside of the requirements outlined in the links above, you may petition. You can do so by filling out a [petition form](#). This should be accompanied by a conversation with your Principal Investigator and Academic Advisor to ensure your choice is in line with your academic and/or professional goals.

Instructions for transferring courses from another institute of higher education:

If you are coming in from another PhD program, you may be able to transfer courses from another university. You can find more information [here](#).

COURSE REGISTRATION

The image shows a two-part screenshot of the Northeastern University registration system. The top part is the 'Registration' page, which includes a navigation menu with 'Student' and 'Registration', and a 'Select a Term' dropdown menu. Below this is a 'What would you like to do?' section with six icons: 'Prepare for Registration', 'Plan Ahead', 'View Registration Information', 'Register', 'Browse (Looking for interesting)', and 'Browse (Look up by)'. The bottom part is the 'Register for Classes' page, which has a navigation menu with 'Find Classes', 'Enter CRNs', 'Plans', and 'Schedule and Options'. The 'Find Classes' section is active, showing 'Enter Your Search Criteria' with a 'Term' dropdown set to 'Spring 2022 Semester'. There are input fields for 'Subject', 'Course Number', and 'Keyword', along with 'Search', 'Clear', and 'Advanced Search' buttons.

Master's degrees are generally 32 total semester hours and Ph.D. programs are typically 50 total semester hours (may vary by program). You can find information about course registration on the [**New Student Information & Orientation page**](#). Most of our programs request that new students do not register for courses before attending orientation. If your program is not on the list on the menu above, you will most likely register for courses after the program-specific orientation. For more details and program-specific requirements, please refer to the [**College of Engineering \(COE\) course catalog**](#).

Students can take courses outside of their respective program course list with approval from their faculty academic advisor prior to registering for the course. Without pre-approval, they will not be counted as valid credits for pursuing your degree. Your academic advisor will help you with any specific academic issues.

CANVAS

Canvas is the university-wide Learning Management System (LMS) selected for its student-focused ease of use and intuitive functionality. Canvas provides students a mobile-first and accessible interface to engage in course content making in class and online learning easier.

All courses at Northeastern will be on Canvas for the Spring 2022 semester. Explore the following student resources and tips to learn more and get started in Canvas.

All Northeastern students, faculty, and staff may access all online, hybrid, blended, and on-ground courses on a single Northeastern University Canvas site at <https://canvas.northeastern.edu/>. To log in, use your Student Hub username and password.

If you are a new student, please note that it takes up to two business days after registering for your Student Hub account to be ready for activation.

ACCESS CANVAS

Canvas is Northeastern's new learning management system. Canvas can be accessed on the web and the Canvas mobile app.

1. Go to canvas.northeastern.edu
2. Log in with myNortheastern username and password

Canvas Student Mobile Apps

Download the Canvas Student apps to learn from anywhere at anytime.



GET STARTED WITH CANVAS

1. Log in to Canvas

2. Download the Canvas Mobile app.

The Canvas Mobile app is for students to navigate Canvas on mobile devices.

This app can be installed on phones and/or tablets with iOS and Android.

3. Customize your profile : Add a picture

4. Customize your settings : Set your personal pronouns, time zone, and language

5. Customize your notifications

6. Connect the calendar to your Outlook calendar (or calendar of choice) 7.

Customize your dashboard

8. Customize your course list

9. Take the self-guided tour

10. Enjoy learning in Canvas!

DASHBOARD

This is the first thing you see when you log into Canvas. It provides a high-level overview of your courses. The Dashboard has two different viewing options - Customizable Course Card and Recent Activity

SIDEBAR

Found in the dashboard, the sidebar. includes a To Do list, a Coming Up feed, and a View Grades button.

GLOBAL NAVIGATION

Account

Modify your user settings (including time zone), customize your profile, specify your notification preferences, upload personal files, and log out of Canvas.

Calendar

View the global calendar, which shows assignments and events from each of your courses. You can customize colors for each course and use the calendar feed to import into your favorite calendar client. The calendar feed will contain events and assignments from all of your Canvas calendars.

DASHBOARD

SIDEBAR

The screenshot shows the Canvas Dashboard interface. On the left is a vertical sidebar with navigation icons for Account, Dashboard, Courses, Groups, Calendar, Inbox, Studio, and Help. The main dashboard area is titled "Dashboard" and contains several course cards. A red arrow points from the "Calendar" icon in the sidebar to the top of the dashboard area. Another red arrow points from the "Calendar" icon in the sidebar to the "To Do" list on the right. A third red arrow points from the "Calendar" icon in the sidebar to the text "GLOBAL NAVIGATION" at the bottom.

GLOBAL NAVIGATION

More information on <https://canvas.northeastern.edu/student-resources/>

ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

There are various expectations that must be met to maintain good academic standing. These requirements such as GPA threshold, adherence to codes of conduct, and timely completion of milestones vary by department. You should consult your department graduate student handbook to determine yours. This is likely also covered during your orientation.

Northeastern requires all graduate students to adhere to a code of academic integrity. This prohibits students from participating in academically dishonest activities such as cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, participation in academically dishonest activities, and facilitating academic dishonesty. Most rules are fairly obvious, but if you wish to consult the regulations yourself, they can be found [here](#).

ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Annual Individual Development Plan (AIDP) is broadly a document that a student writes every year reflecting on what they accomplished in the previous year, and what they are looking to accomplish in the year ahead both in the lab and professionally. The AIDP more specifically has several sections and parts:

ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONT.

1. Listing your advisor (if you have one)
2. Listing your thesis committee (if you have one)
3. Updating and uploading your CV
4. Uploading a copy of your unofficial transcripts
5. Creating and/or linking your google scholar profile
6. Creating and/or linking your LinkedIn profile
7. Listing publication citations
 - a. Journal publications
 - b. Conference abstracts
 - c. Paper preprints
 - d. Book chapters or others
8. Qualifying exam status
9. Thesis proposal status
10. Summary of research activities and self assessment of the past period
11. Planned research activity and goals for the upcoming period

The two main sections of the AIDP are the “summary of research activities and self assessment of the past period” and the “planned research activity and goals for the upcoming period”. The first of those two sections is an opportunity for you to write about what you were able to do and to reflect how this went. This is a great opportunity to kind of put everything in perspective about what you were able to do, what worked and what didn’t, and how you feel about it all. You also list any awards/honors you received, any conference posters or presentations, academic involvements (like organizing a symposium) and finally, looking back at your goals you set previously and if you accomplished them. The second of the two main sections is used for planning what you would like to accomplish in the lab or the upcoming year and if you would like to do activities like be a TA (teaching assistant) or get involved on campus or in your department.

ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN CONT.

The AIDP is usually due in March and you should get started on it as soon as you receive the first email about it and do it in parts (as opposed to doing it all at once). Students usually are given several weeks to complete it. One important aspect of the AIDP is that the student works with their advisor to discuss goals and expectations so that both the student and advisor are on the same page. Therefore, it is important that before the student submits the plan, they discuss it with their advisor.

For complete and accurate information, please refer to the department specific resources:

- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Bioengineering
- Mechanical and Industrial Engineering
- Chemical Engineering

PhD CANDIDACY

All graduate students pursuing a PhD are first designated as “PhD Students” and it is not until after achieving candidacy that PhD students are designated as “PhD Candidates” The process of achieving candidacy is highly dependent on the department you are a part of, usually there is a required examination. Below you can find information for each of the departments with in the College of Engineering.

Qualifying exam process for each department

- Electrical and Computer Engineering
 - See the departmental handbook for complete and accurate information.
- Civil and Industrial engineering
 - See the departmental handbook for complete and accurate information.
- Bioengineering
 - See the departmental handbook for complete and accurate information.
- Mechanical and Industrial Engineering
 - See the departmental handbook for complete and accurate information.
- Chemical Engineering
 - See the departmental handbook for complete and accurate information.

FORMING A DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Congratulations on making it to the dissertation committee formation step. This has been a long, hard journey but you are doing your best! Below you will find information on how to form a dissertation committee, how to conduct a meeting, and the process of the first committee meeting and your thesis proposal.

Process of forming a dissertation committee

The process of forming the committee is pretty straightforward. The student should ask professors in their department, professors in other related departments, or professors from other universities that you are working on a collaborative project with to be a part of your dissertation committee. The committee is usually formed by 3 or 4 professors which includes the student's advisor. Usually there is a requirement that at least 2 of the members (including the advisor) are full members of your department.

For complete and accurate information, please refer to the department specific resources:

- [Electrical and Computer Engineering](#)
- [Civil and Environmental Engineering](#)
- [Bioengineering](#)
- [Mechanical and Industrial Engineering](#)
- [Chemical Engineering](#)

Tips on how to conduct a dissertation meeting:

To have productive and meaningful committee meetings, there are several tips that students should keep in mind. The biggest tip is to start early. This means, several months before a student wants to have a meeting, schedule it. This is a good idea (and necessary) because of the busy schedules professors have, and it gives the student time to prepare. The next tip is to provide the professors ahead of time with any questions the student has or where they are looking for advice. This gives the professors time to prepare and they will be more helpful.

DISSERTATION & DEFENSE

Writing Your Dissertation

Once you have completed your research based on aims established by you and your dissertation committee, you will be tasked with writing your dissertation. This is a comprehensive document sharing your findings in detail. Specific guidelines for this will depend on the expectations of your department. It should be completed a few weeks prior to the date of your defense so it may be reviewed by your committee.

For complete and accurate information, please refer to the department specific resources

- [Electrical and Computer Engineering](#)
- [Civil and Environmental Engineering](#)
- [Bioengineering](#)
- [Mechanical and Industrial Engineering](#)
- [Chemical Engineering](#)

Check [this information](#) out for COE style guidelines and information on formatting of your dissertation.

ate information.

Defending

Once your dissertation is reviewed by your committee, you will prepare a presentation to defend your research. This typically consists of a 45 minute powerpoint presentation followed by questions from your committee and the public. Following the presentation the committee will deliberate. Should you be deemed successful in defending your research, you will be awarded your PhD.

For complete and accurate information, please refer to the department specific resources:

- [Electrical and Computer Engineering](#)
- [Civil and Environmental Engineering](#)
- [Bioengineering](#)
- [Mechanical and Industrial Engineering](#)
- [Chemical Engineering](#)

RESEARCH



FINDING AN ADVISOR

1. Will need to look at departmental requirements for rotations or lack thereof.
2. Tips on finding the right fit.
 - a. Topic of research
 - i. Have an idea of what types of research you're interested in doing, use websites like Google Scholar to help you identify Professors at NEU that do research in that area
 - b. Leadership style
 - i. Understand what type of advisor you need to help you succeed. Do you need one that's available often to help you get off your feet as a researcher? Do you need one that's more hands-off and you can meet with once a week? Do you need an advisor who has multiple projects that you can try to see if it's a good fit? Do you need an advisor that's a specialist in one concentration?
 - c. Meet with potential advisors early to discuss what their expectations of you are
 - i. As early as you can, meet with professors at NEU to understand what life in their lab is like. Get a feel for what type of work you'd be doing, what type of team you'd be working in, and the amount of papers/projects that you can expect to work on at a time.
 - d. If you can't meet with potential advisors, meet with their students!
 - i. Students are a great and trustworthy source of information when it comes to learning about a professor's lab. They've been in your shoes before and usually have super accurate advice on what your day-to-day life will be like, since they're living it!

RESEARCH BEST PRACTICES

Staying organized to be successful

Organization is key to the student's success in Graduate school; learning how to master the time they're given each day will allow them to stay on top of classes, research, meetings, jobs, and any other commitments that they have in your schedule. Without some type of organization or plan, they'll find themselves struggling to meet all of the responsibilities that they have (Even with organization this is still difficult). In general, a good practice is to define the specific tasks that need their time during the semester, and then specific times of the day/week where they'll work on certain tasks, usually according to their priority. While they don't have to stick strictly to this schedule, this gives you an idea of where their time should be going during the week. For example, here's what a list of priorities for the semester might look like, in order of importance:

Priority list:

- Research: M-F, 9-5
- Classwork: Any night, 6-10
- Job: Weekends, Anytime (Unless there's an urgent task during the week)
- Workout: Weekends, Anytime
- Practice Piano: Any night, Anytime

Notice that while there's overlap between events ('Classwork' and 'Practice Piano'), the task that's higher on the list ('Classwork') takes priority.

Bonus: Here's a sample Weekly agenda template.

SAMPLE WEEKLY AGENDA

Goals for this week

- Classwork
 - EECE5666
 - (Monday) Submit HW1
 - (Wednesday) Start HW2
 - (Weekend) Re-read notes (Chapter 3)
 - EECE 7204
 - (Weekend) Start HW1
- Research
 - (Tuesday) Meet with Advisor
 - (All Week) Continue reading for Lit Review, 1-2 papers a day
- Job
 - (Sunday) Post a new blog to the website (Tips for Grad School)
 - (Saturday) Write for PhD Handbook
 - (Monday) Post Campus tour flyer
- Miscellaneous
 - (Weekend) Workout 3x
 - Friday Night, Saturday Morning, Sunday Night?

Monday

Tasks I Completed Today:

Tasks I couldn't complete Today, and why:

Reflections:

Tasks for Tomorrow:

Repeat this section for the rest of the week...

Other Resources for staying organized:

- Outlook
- Gantt chart
- Daily Agenda, either Pen/Paper or Google Docs
- Google Calendar

ONLINE AND IN-PERSON TRAINING

Upon arrival to campus, your departmental safety manager will reach out to you with instructions on training required to gain access to the research space. Many of these trainings are typically conducted using online modules. Some tasks may require in-person classroom training, which you will schedule and attend. Once all of the required training is completed, you will be granted access to lab spaces.

LAB-SPECIFIC TRAINING

In many cases, your lab will require you to complete specific training access to gain access to certain research instruments. These are typically given by senior lab members, post-docs, or lab techs and coordinated with those individuals. Other cases may involve speaking with a collaborator or intra-university institute to gain access to instruments which your lab does not own. These training sessions should be coordinated with the owners of this equipment.

GENERAL BEST PRACTICES

There are additional best practices you will become aware of on a lab-to-lab basis such as handling of sterile materials and hazardous waste. If you'd like to explore these best practices, there are resources on the Environmental Compliance and Occupational Safety webpage: <https://facilities.northeastern.edu/ecos/>

1. Teaching assistantship info

- a. Requirements may vary by department, look into this before publishing

2. Research Assistantship info

3. Fellowships and scholarships

a. NEU awards

i. Dissertation Completion Fellowship

1. Dissertation Completion Fellowships provide a one-semester stipend to outstanding PhD candidates who would benefit from the financial security and the freedom to focus on their final semester writing. The award is one semester of support. Awardees are expected to graduate at the end of the semester in which they hold the DCF. Application materials should attest to the dissertation being near completion rather than a gap in funding.

ii. Dean's Fellowship

1. Northeastern University awards multiple merit scholarships to outstanding students, including the prestigious Dean's Scholarship. Recipients are awarded between \$10,000 and \$28,000 annually. Recipients who maintain normal progress toward a degree, with a minimum grade-point average of 3.000, may renew these awards.

• Outside university fellowships

○ Northeastern Fellowship Portal

- A Northeastern website that links students to external fellowships not provided by Northeastern.

○ GEM

- A fellowship aimed towards financially supporting underrepresented groups in STEM at the graduate level.

FUNDING CONT.

- NDSEG
 - The National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship program was established in 1989 by direction of congress as an approach to increasing the number of United States (U.S.) citizens receiving doctoral degrees in science and engineering (S&E) disciplines to DoD Relevance.
- NSF GRFP
 - Similar to GEM, The purpose of the NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) is to ensure the quality, vitality, and diversity of the scientific and engineering workforce of the United States.
- NIH F31
 - Fellowships to provide predoctoral individuals with supervised research training in specified health and health-related areas leading toward the research doctoral degree (e.g., PhD) or MD/PhD students in MSTP programs.
- More niche fellowships
 - AHA
 - Ford Fellowship

FUNDING CONT.

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- “My experience with the GEM Fellowship is a bit of a non-traditional one. As I was applying to graduate schools during my senior year of undergrad, I was sure to also make some time for applying to fellowships to fund my graduate education, including GEM. Unfortunately, although I was selected to be an Associate Fellow, I wasn’t selected to be a Full University Fellow. This would mean that my funding for living expenses would have to come from out of pocket. So after arriving at NEU, my new mission for my first year was to reapply to the GEM Fellowship and be selected as a Full University Fellow. Even though I'd be busy with classes and research, making extra time for this goal was something that would (hopefully) pay off.
 - So to help myself reach this goal, I essentially made 3 changes to what I had done the year prior:
 - Finish the majority of the application before school begins. Because I had no research or class commitments over the summer, I decided that this was the time where the bulk of my application would get done - including revising my essay on my own, reaching out to the people I identified for Letters of Recommendation, etc. Being more organized and spending less time procrastinating was key to this goal.
 - Get outside opinions and advice on the essay. To help polish my essay and put it in the best condition possible, I contacted writing advisors in the Khoury College of Computer Science who were familiar with fellowship essays and began conversations about my application. This helped me in cutting out some unnecessary details from my essays and being sure that what I left in was effective at conveying what I wanted it to convey.
 - Once school starts, work on the application 1-2 times a week. This would mean that I needed to dedicate time to meeting with my writing advisors, and more time to make the suggested changes to my essays.
 - So after making these 3 changes to my application process, I reapplied to GEM in my 1st year of graduate school and was selected as a University Fellow! The stipend provided to University Fellows has allowed me to have more financial freedom in the necessities I have in life (rent, food, etc.) and meant that I didn’t have to pick up a job to support myself.” - Brandon.

CONFERENCES

Attending conferences is a great way to learn more about your field, network, and share your research. It is therefore important to learn about what are the big conferences in your field and work towards attending them. This can be done by submitting a poster or applying to give an oral presentation. Fortunately, most professors encourage conference attendance because it helps both the student and them (by sharing the lab's work). Due to these reasons, most advisors ask for conference travel funding in their grants so that they can provide financial support to their graduate students to attend them.

Within the College of Engineering, conference funding varies by department but usually, an advisor will provide some funds, the department will match the funds, and then the student will apply for more funding through the PhD Network. For the PhD Network students can apply for up to \$500, the final amount will be determined by how much the advisor provides (as they will match it up to \$500). For example, if the total cost was \$800 and your advisor paid \$400, the PhD Network will pay the remaining \$400. Students can get up to \$500 from the PhD Network per year. More information on the PhD Network funding can be found on their [website](#). If the student has received a fellowship, check the details for information on any funding for conferences.

In addition, some conferences offer travel funding based on applications or volunteering at the conference. You should check the conference website well in advance for this information and to get any necessary applications submitted.

- Introduce the idea of conferences, how importance can depend on advisor/research area, and how to communicate with your advisor about it.
- PhD Network funding for travel
 - Up to \$500 matching same amount your advisor provides for you
- Individual fellowship offerings
 - Be sure to check if you have individual fellowships if they will provide you with travel/discretionary funding



CAMPUS LIFE

As mentioned on our website, Northeastern’s Boston location has “the perfect balance of campus and city” and is a recognized arboretum (more than 1,400 trees and 143 species)! We have 2 other campuses in the area (Burlington and Nahant), 5 in other parts of the country (Silicon Valley, Seattle, Arlington, Portland, ME and Charlotte), and 2 in Canada (Toronto and Vancouver). Every location has its own charm and focuses on specific programs. Starting a new chapter in a new place can be a little overwhelming, so we have highlighted some of the key buildings and areas in the Boston location to help you navigate yourself when you first get here. Keep reading this section to get a sense of where you might be spending a lot of your time!

SPACES AT NORTHEASTERN

The Northeastern community can find and book campus spaces with Spaces at Northeastern powered by Robin. Students, staff, and faculty can reserve desks, workspaces, and rooms across the Boston campus initially, with the list of available spaces expanding over time. Northeastern's global network locations outside of Boston will also be rolling out Spaces at Northeastern.

Where to find Spaces

Log into the Spaces dashboard to find desks and spaces to book and pinpoint their exact location using floor plans. Search for availability based on building and other location details, date, time, capacity, and other criteria. Different locations may have different amenities, restrictions, and on-site procedures. Mind the notes for each location before booking, as well as the booking confirmations and reminders for more details. Download the Robin mobile app to take Spaces with you on the go or find Robin in My Applications on the Student Hub.

Desks

Individual workstations, often part of a group or pod of other stations. Great for employees who need a place to work for a day or part of a day at a time, or students who want a seat to study.

Spaces

Rooms or common areas are meant for one or more people at a time and designed for collaboration. These could be meeting or conference rooms, offices, or event spaces.

Download the mobile app

Book desks and spaces, see who's in office, and coordinate work with your team.



Point your camera at the QR code to download Robin.

SNELL LIBRARY'S GROUP STUDY ROOMS AND COLABS ARE AVAILABLE TO CURRENT NORTHEASTERN STUDENTS FOR GROUP WORK. ALL GROUP STUDY ROOMS HAVE WHITEBOARDS; THOSE ON LEVELS ONE AND TWO HAVE MONITORS. ADAPTERS TO PLUG PERSONAL LAPTOPS INTO THE MONITORS MAY BE BORROWED AT THE FIRST-FLOOR HELP & INFORMATION DESK

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: [HTTPS://SPACES.NORTHEASTERN.EDU/](https://spaces.northeastern.edu/)

Monday, December 6, 2021

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LIVING IN BOSTON

HOUSING

In general, the most common type of housing in Boston is an apartment building or a multi-unit house. The cost of living varies between different Boston neighborhoods. Below are the neighborhoods in order of proximity to the Northeastern campus (costs in USD per month).

Typically, housing that is closer to campus is more expensive. Both Ruggles Station (Orange Line) and Northeastern Stop (Green Line) are located on campus. If you want to save money on rent, and do not mind a longer commute, you may want to consider living further from campus.

However, you need to take transportation expenses into account when you consider your budget and use Google Maps to view the duration of the commute before you decide.

Generally, the rental cost will be less expensive if you are willing to live with roommates. All roommates must be listed on the lease contract. No individuals may live in the apartment if they are not on the lease. Any individuals not on the lease may be evicted by the landlord.

Before signing a lease, have it reviewed by **Off Campus Student Services**. They will help you to understand your rights and responsibilities. When you sign a legally binding lease contract, you may be asked to pay first month's rent, last month's rent, and security deposit (usually one month's rent) upfront. If you use a broker to help you find an apartment, you may also need to pay a broker's fee. A broker's fee cannot exceed one month's rent.

Most apartments where students live are unfurnished and may or may not have in-unit laundry. You may buy used furniture or rent furniture through **these companies**. Apartment buildings with amenities such as a gym or pool will be more expensive. Timing is important when you are looking for housing in and around Boston. A recommended timeline is available from Off Campus Student Services and can be viewed “on **Getting Started - Three Steps to Apartment Searching**”.

It is geared towards students enrolling in Fall, but Spring students can also use it as a reference. View more apartment search tips for international students.

Start Your Apartment Search:

- **Guide to Living Off Campus Handbook**
- Search for Apartments, Find Roommates, and Locate Realtors via **Northeastern Housing Database**
- **Learn About Neighborhoods Near Northeastern**
- **Off Campus Student Services videos and presentations**

You can join various Facebook groups and monitor them regularly for new postings. Please be wary of online scams. Never send money or sign a lease until you see the apartment in person. You can contact your student ambassador to get a link to one of our COE Grad Housing WhatsApp groups.

Additional websites with apartment listings:

- Facebook:
 - **Northeastern University Off Campus Housing** (within the Northeastern Community)
 - **Boston Housing** (Public Group)
- **Craigslist Boston**
- **Zillow**

Know Your Rights and Responsibilities:

- **Rights & Responsibilities**
- **Renting in Massachusetts**

Students live in a variety of places in and around Boston. Generally, the closer you are to central Boston, the more expensive the apartments will be. There are also a lot of apartments outside of Boston where students live such as Cambridge, Somerville, Medford, Malden, Quincy, Brookline, Revere, or Chelsea.

Below is a list of places and neighborhoods broken down by how expensive they are based on the perspective of a sample of PhD students:

- \$\$\$: Fenway/Kenmore, South Boston, Back Bay/Beacon Hill, Central, South End, North End
- \$\$: Jamaica Plain, East Boston, Charlestown
- \$: Roxbury, Dorchester, Roslindale, Mattapan, West Roxbury, Allston/Brighton

Other options outside of Boston but very close are:

- \$\$\$: Somerville, Cambridge
- \$\$: Medford, Malden, Quincy, Brookline
- \$: Revere, Chelsea



"I live in Jamaica plain, I love the neighborhood because of the beautiful Jamaica pond park and nearby arboretum"- Sabrina

"My first apartment in Boston was in Mission Hill, I love how walkable it was to the Boston Campus"-Sabrina and Josh

"I currently live close to campus near the Prudential Center, the area is nice and offers a lot of food and entertainment options"-Josh



TRANSPORTATION

MBTA - "THE T"

Massachusetts has one of the largest and oldest public transit systems in the country - with the very first subway tunnels still in use. "The T" is commonly used to refer to the subway sector of the entire MBTA (Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority) system. There are also buses and commuter rail lines to get around Boston.

Northeastern is in a central location of the city, so it is easy to access the nearby stops or stations. Most notable is Ruggles Station on the Orange Line, located on the south end of campus. It is one of the larger bus and train stations, making it easy to travel to almost any direction from campus. Not too far from Ruggles is the Northeastern train stop on the Green Line (the E Line of the Green Line), which runs right on Huntington Ave, through the heart of campus.

Google Maps and the **MBTA Trip Planner** apps for your mobile devices are really helpful when you need to figure out the best way to get anywhere using public transportation. Google Maps is very intuitive, showing approximate minutes until the next ride and the time needed to walk between stations. The ProximiT for iPhones is also useful for live updates on the train, arrival times, and MBTA alerts.

CHARLIE CARDS & CHARLIE TICKETS

As a Bostonian, you are most likely going to want to get your hands on a CharlieCard. CharlieCards and CharlieTickets are how you pay for your fare to use public transportation. A CharlieCard is plastic, like a credit card, and is reloadable with passes and dollar values. In comparison, CharlieTickets are better suited for infrequent T users and tourists. A CharlieTicket is a durable paper card and, although it can be reloaded, is intended to be a one-time use ticket. The MBTA has provided a really simple guide to help you answer the question “**Should I Get a CharlieCard?**” Similar to most of Boston, the name Charlie comes from a legendary story that you can read about towards the end of **The History of the T.**

One of the key benefits of using a CharlieCard is the slightly lower fares (when compared over a larger time duration, like a month) than what you pay for with a CharlieTicket. Additionally, a CharlieCard allows you to manage your account online. To get a FREE blank (empty) CharlieCard, you need to locate an MBTA Customer Service Agent who can be found at some (not all) stations. A full list of stations with Customer Service Agents can be found **online** but the closest stations to Northeastern campus are Ruggles, Back Bay, and Kenmore. Most Customer Service Agents are at the stations every day from 7 am to 7 pm but be aware that some locations may have differing hours on the weekends. In these cases, if you are on campus, it is recommended to just buy a CharlieTicket for the day/next destination from the Ruggles Station -until you can locate your closest CharlieCard Service Agent. Downtown Crossing, accessible from the Orange and Red Line, has a CharlieCard station. Please visit this location with any questions or issues.

CHARLIE CARDS & CHARLIE TICKETS

Purchasing passes can be done in a variety of ways - you can use vending machines, ticket booths, retail stores, or load a CharlieCard online. The option closest to campus is the vending machines at Ruggles Station.

	 Subway	 Buses
CharlieCard (One Way)	\$2.40	\$1.70
CharlieTicket or Cash (One Way)	\$2.90	\$2.00
1-Day Pass	\$12.75	
7-Day Pass	\$22.50	
Monthly LinkPass	\$90.00	

IMPORTANT!! The Northeastern Stop on the Green Line (i.e. the stop in front of Marino Center) does not have any way to buy fares, so make sure you have value on your CharlieCard or have a CharlieTicket before you get there.

It is smart to carry some cash - especially single \$1 bills and quarters (\$0.25 cent coins, available at banking centers) - with you, particularly when you are getting used to the T, in case you get stuck without money on your CharlieCard or don't have one.

FARES & PASSES

Student Hub



Resources



Financial Services



Make a Payment with an eCheck



Semester Pass Option



Add to payment



Pay now or Add more



Checkout

If you know you are going to rely on the T as your primary mode of transportation during the semester, you can apply for the **Semester Pass Program**. Students purchasing the pass-through NU receive an 11% student discount on unlimited rides through the entire semester. The Fall Semester Pass runs September 1st through December 31st.

The deadline to purchase the pass is generally 1 month before the semester starts. You can buy semester passes through NUPay and you can keep an eye on the Student Discounted Semester Pass Program website for more details and updated flyers. Email contact@masparc.com with questions. These can be picked up in Student Financial Services (354 Richards Hall) with your Husky Card on (or after) the 29th of each month.

The typical fares you will need to know are the subway and bus fares - they are listed in the table below. Other fares (e.g. Commuter Rail and Ferry) can be found **online**.

HOW TO NAVIGATE THE SUBWAY SYSTEM

One of the most confusing things to learn about riding the T is which direction you need to take to get to where you want to go. The first thing to know is that the subway uses Inbound and Outbound to designate the travel direction. An inbound train heads towards downtown Boston and an outbound train heads away from it. Don't worry if you get on the wrong direction – we've all done it. Here is a trick you may find helpful while you are getting used to the inbound/outbound directions: concentrate on the destination of the train and which end you need to be traveling towards. For example, if you are getting on the Orange line at Ruggles, the train and platforms will say Oak Grove or Forest Hills, which would be inbound (towards downtown) or outbound (away from downtown), respectively.

In addition to the Green and Orange lines that run through Northeastern's campus, the Red and Blue lines make up the four main lines of the T.

The Blue Line runs from Bowdoin (close to downtown), through East Boston and past the Airport, by Revere Beach and out to Wonderland in Revere.

The Orange Line (that Ruggles Station is on) has one end at Oak Grove (in Malden, north of the city) and runs through East Somerville, through downtown, by Northeastern and ends at Forest Hills (on the south side of Jamaica Plain).

The Red Line has two branches on the south end of the line: Ashmont and Braintree. There is also a Mattapan Trolley that connects to the Red line at Ashmont. The two branches of the Red line connect at the JFK/UMass station in Dorchester.

The Ashmont branch runs on the south side of Dorchester and through Savin Hill before hitting JFK/UMass. The Braintree branch runs through a few stops in Quincy before reaching the JFK/UMass stop. If you are heading south on the Red line, you need to make sure you are on the right branch to get to where you need to go before reaching JFK/UMass. The north end of the Red line is in Alewife.

The Green Line is one that you may need to pay extra attention to. There are four branches, designated by letters corresponding to the last stops: B - Boston College, C - Cleveland Circle, D - Riverside, and E - Heath Street. The other end of the Green line's branches terminates at Park Street, Government Center, North Station, and Lechmere, respectively. All four branches of the Green Line run through Copley, Arlington, Boylston, and Park Street, which means it's important to make sure you are getting on the correct line when traveling outbound to the west.

Other than knowing where you're going, the other important things to keep in mind are the times that each line operates and where you can switch from inbound to outbound if you make a mistake and need to turn around.

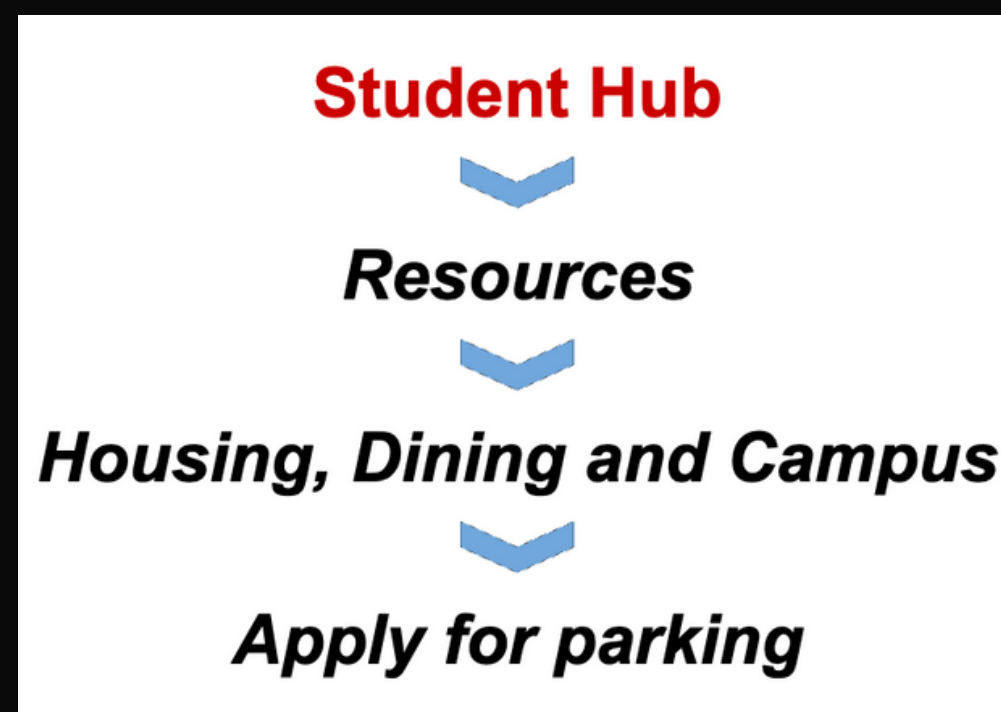
You can travel further distances on the **Commuter Rail**, depicted on maps as and also known as the Purple Line. There are a few stations that the T and Commuter Rail share, but the majority of the **stations** are separate. Be aware that the commuter rail has a different **fare** and pass system from the T, so make sure you have the appropriate ticket (or use the mTicket App on **iOS** or **Android**).

This and a lot of other information, including line interruptions or closures, can be found on the **MBTA's website**. Other **MBTA Tips and Information** can be found on the **Boston Central** website, which is a good general resource for things around Boston.

ADDITIONAL MBTA INFORMATION & RESOURCES

- *wikiHow on riding the T*
 - *Heads up - The Green and Red Lines can get a little crazy on the days the Red Sox are playing.*
 - *The Ferry is a great option sometimes. Check out the Fares and*
 - *Stops to see if it's a good choice for you.*
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PARKING



If you end up living close to campus, it is sometimes easier to avoid having a car because driving in Boston and the parking situation is less than ideal (depending on where you are going) and is expensive. However, if you do have a car here and you plan to drive to campus, you will need to purchase a parking permit to park in a parking garage or lot on campus. The main parking area for permit holders is Columbus Parking Garage (795 Columbus Ave), but a parking spot is not guaranteed because it is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Usually, there is no problem finding a spot, but it can become a challenge when there are special events on campus and when a lot of construction is happening. There are some other places to park but the specific locations and the times will depend on the type of parking permit you get. You can find the most up-to-date parking fees online (subject to change during the next fiscal year). Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 rates are not yet available.

Students can purchase either a Student Day & Overnight permit, or an Evening permit.

Instructions on how to select and purchase a parking permit are found [here](#). You can choose to pick up your permit from the parking office at Gainsborough Garage (10 Gainsborough Street), or have the permit mailed to you. You will need your mobile number and all vehicle information, including make, model, color, and license plate number and state, to complete the permit purchase. Please contact MasParc with questions: contact@masparc.com.

A block away from the Columbus Garage is Renaissance Parking Garage (835 Columbus Ave) where students can park by swiping their Husky Card to get in and out. This is also the garage that is usually easiest for visitors to use. You can take a ticket on the way in and pay on the way out. There is a weekend rate from Friday at 6:00pm to Sunday at 11:59pm, which is perfect when your friends and family come to visit.

You can buy 24-hour parking coupons that can be used in the Renaissance, Columbus, or Gainsborough Garages at Gainsborough Garage (10 Gainsborough Street) at a rate of \$27.00 per coupon. Parking coupons are sold in sets of 5 coupons. If you need to pay to park in one of these garages for longer than 2 hours, it is worth buying a coupon.

It is possible to find street parking but to avoid getting a ticket or getting your car towed you need to be aware of:

1. Resident Permit Parking Areas. These streets require a permit that comes from city hall and you will get a ticket if you park in these areas. Some have posted times where visitors can park.

2. Street Cleaning. Different sides of the street get cleaned on different days and you will get towed if you are parked there on a street cleaning day.

3. Metered Streets. You can park on metered streets but make sure you know your time limit – you will get ticketed if you exceed the limit or have an expired meter. Sundays and holidays are free.

ADDITIONAL PARKING RESOURCES & INFORMATION

- *Columbus Parking Garage has ten Electric Vehicle Charging Stations available for use with a **ChargePoint** account*
 - ***14 Essential Boston Driving Tips***
 - ***The Risks of Owning a Car in Boston***
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BICYCLES



Don't forget to get your bike registered with Northeastern University Police Department (NUPD)! Details in Property Registration under Health and Safety

If you don't have your own bike, you can take advantage of **Blue Bikes** (formally known as Hubway), a bike share program. You can find a handful of **stations around campus.**

Many students prefer cycling as a healthy, eco-friendly and cheap mode of transportation to get to and from classes or around Boston. Northeastern has plenty of public racks to lock your personal bike to around campus and gated storage areas in **Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Complex** (ISEC) and Columbus Garage.

There are also a few **bike repair stations** (near West Village A and in the gated storage areas) available to you. Make sure you are always locking your bike with a cable lock AND a U-lock (see figure in page 70). You can also bring your bike on the T, depending on the line and time of day.





MORE INFORMATION & RESOURCES ON BICYCLING

- ***Boston Bikes*** – *an awesome resource from the City of Boston*
 - ***Ticket To Ride: A Guide to Boston Bike Shops***
 - ***Blue Bike Sharing program***
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SNELL LIBRARY

As part of graduate life, we all are aware of one fact: studying isn't always easy. College students tackle numerous deadlines, home assignments, and paper writing. Finding a quiet place to study can be difficult, especially if your high school (or undergraduate) experience was more relaxing – but at the same time, it is not impossible. It will become easier when you have the right resources. Northeastern provides a serene study environment in Snell Library. The library is open around the clock – 24 hours per day / 7 days per week / 365 days per year - for you to work individually or gather for project meetings, assignments, courses, etc. You can reserve private rooms for group study and phone/video interviews, recording studios, and specific workstations during certain periods.

Digital Media Commons (DMC) is on the 2nd floor, which has a variety of workstations and other amazing resources. There are large format plotters, 3D printers, audio and video recording studios, individual dual-monitor workstations, specialized software for projects, presentation circles, and spare monitors for you to plug your laptop into. The DMC also has its own set of group study rooms you can reserve.

The 2nd floor of the library also has an office for GIS and Data Visualization Services (in Suite 243). They offer free assistance with your projects and host introductory workshops to help get you started.

The library's four floors above ground have different levels of sound-volume permitted.

The 1st and 2nd floors are Group Study Floors, so you can study in a group and talk without noise restrictions.

The 3rd floor is a quiet study floor where only whisper-level noise is permitted – you must go downstairs if you wish to have a louder discussion.

No group meetings or calls are allowed on the Quiet Study floors. The 4th floor is the silent floor – talking is not permitted. Don't worry; if you forget there are many signs to remind you.

You can report a disturbance using the library's messaging service. To reach someone at the Help & Information Desk, text 66746 with the word "Husky" and then your message. Be sure to include your location in the library.

Use the **Scholar OneSearch** to search for resources in the online and physical library collections. To locate an item in the library stacks, use the **Floor Maps and Finding Library Materials**. Check-out items at the Help & Information Desk or at the self-check kiosks near the exit. Make sure you bring your Husky Card!

To further assist students, the library has assembled **Research Subject Guides** and has **Research Librarians** specific to subjects. If that's not enough, they also have walk-in research help hours scheduled almost every day.

Students may also borrow portable chargers, laptops and locks, cameras, AV cables, and other equipment through the Help & Information Desk on the 1st floor. Requests must be done in-person and are usually conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Be aware that some materials must remain in Snell Library. The **Equipment Available for Checkout** page lists everything that is available.

There are a lot of different **Services** available through Snell Library that you should look into and take advantage of in your time here.

Exclusive to Ph.D. Students: The Digital Scholarship Commons, in Suite 211, is an open and collaborative workspace you can use. You need to scan your Husky Card at the entrance to get in.

SNELL ENGINEERING CENTER



The Graduate School of Engineering is operated primarily out of Snell Engineering Center (SN), lovingly called “Snell” by most COE faculty, staff, and students (not to be confused with Snell Library as mentioned in the Introduction of Part 1). Snell is connected to Dana Research Center (DA) through stairwells, which makes it easy to think of the two buildings as one. You will find most of your professors’ offices in one of these two buildings along with the majority of department offices.

The department offices you can find in Snell are:

- 313 SN – Chemical Engineering (ChemE)
- 400 SN – Civil & Environmental Engineering (CEE)
- 334 SN – Mechanical & Industrial Engineering (MIE)

In addition to department and professor offices, the Admissions Office and the Office of Student Services are in 130 SN. Here, you will find your Graduate School Advisor. This advisor will help you with queries about course registration, academic status, graduation requirements, and more. Should you come across any difficulties during your time at Northeastern, feel free to contact your Graduate School advisor by email or go to his/her office during their office hours (Note: ‘office hours’ refers to a time slot that students can visit the faculty or staff member). The Graduate School Advisors’ contact information and office hours are found on the [Graduate Student Services](#) page.

International Students: Your Graduate School advisor will be your Student & Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) contact.

SNELL ENGINEERING COMPUTER CENTER

The Graduate School of Engineering is operated primarily out of Snell Engineering Center (SN), lovingly called “Snell” by most COE faculty, staff, and students (not to be confused with Snell Library as mentioned in the Introduction of Part 1). Snell is connected to Dana Research Center (DA) through stairwells, which makes it easy to think of the two buildings as one. You will find most of your professors’ offices in one of these two buildings along with the majority of department offices.

The main COE computer labs are in 274, 268, and 208 SN. The area comprising these labs is officially called the **Engineering Computer Center**. These labs are equipped with Windows and Linux workstations that are available when there is no class going on and during their **open hours**. Additionally, Northeastern students, faculty, and staff have access to the **Massachusetts Green High Performance Computing Center** (MGHPCC), which provides a high-level computing and data center for intensive computational research. Some departments/programs have additional dedicated computer labs with specialized architecture and software that are available to you.

Check with your respective departments/programs to find out where they are and how to get access to them. The **Engineering Computer Center Help Wiki** has more information on this and basic troubleshooting solutions. Reach out to the team via email at **help@coe.neu.edu**.

IMPORTANT!

You need a COE Computer Account to log in to COE managed computers.

With your NUID, you can **request an account** to get your COE credentials, which will also allow you to access **VLAB**.

DANA RESEARCH CENTER

The department offices you can find in Dana are:

409 DA – Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE)

504 DA – Multidisciplinary Graduate Engineering (MGEN)

Dana also houses the College of Science Physics department. Beyond the COE department offices, there are some lab spaces and offices for grad students and faculty/staff that you may need to access at some point or another.

INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE & ENGINEERING COMPLEX

The Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Complex, most commonly known as ISEC, is located at 805 Columbus Avenue and is the newest and most iconic building on campus (and most beautiful building in Boston). The building itself is notable for its energy efficiency and sustainability and embraces Northeastern's vision of community and collaborative research. The BioEngineering (BioE) department office, unlike the others in COE, is not located within Snell, and can be found at 206 ISEC. The building is a popular place for people to study and with the large glass atrium and auditorium; it is also a common location for special events.





CURRY STUDENT CENTER

The John A. and Marcia E. Curry Student Center (CSC) is one of the most centralized places on campus. It is known as Northeastern’s “living room” and is typically just referred to as Curry.

There are five floors in Curry with plenty of resources and spaces to study or relax. The ground floor is where you can find the **Northeastern Bookstore**, Campus Crossroads Information Desk/Lost and Found, Bank of America ATMs (with stamps), cell phone charging stations, the food court and West Addition, which is adjacent to the food court and full of tables for eating, meetings or studying, and the occasional event. There are a few microwaves for you to heat anything you might bring from home.

AfterHOURS, NU’s entertainment venue, is also on the ground floor of Curry, in the same corner as Starbucks. When an event is not happening, AfterHOURS is a popular place to get some work done or hang out with buddies.

The first floor (which really feels like the second floor because you usually have to go upstairs to get there) is the home of the Indoor Quad. The Indoor Quad is filled with seating areas, TVs, tables and couches, which makes it a perfect place to relax, eat some lunch or meet up with friends.

The high traffic area makes it a popular place to hold large events like expos and fairs. The **Community Service Office**, **Center for Financial Independence**, and **Center for Intercultural Engagement** are on the first floor of Curry.

On the north side of the first floor, you can connect to Ell Hall via **Gallery 360**, a sophisticated gallery space with regularly rotating artists, student shows, and special exhibitions.

Most of the upper levels in Curry are filled with different university offices and meeting rooms that you might find to be helpful resources. The second floor is where you can find the Ballroom (one of the larger event rooms on campus), **Graduate Student Government** (GSG), **Off-Campus Student Services**, **Center for Student Involvement** (CSI) Programming Lab, and the Roof Deck Terrace. On the third floor, there is another large event space, McLeod Suites, the **LGBTQA Resource Center**, and the CSC Operations Office.

If you get involved with a student organization, you will most likely find yourself on the fourth floor at some point in the **Center for Student Involvement** (CSI) Office or the **Student Activities Business Office** (SABO). The fourth floor also houses the PAWS/PLAY GameRoom. There's more you can find listed in the **CSC Directory**.



TUNNEL SYSTEM

Right past the Bookstore, on the ground floor of Curry, is one of the main entrances to the tunnel system that connects 11 of Northeastern's buildings. The tunnels are most used when you don't want to walk outside in bad weather, you need to get into a building after it is locked, and/or if you need to get to your locker. The buildings are color-coded, so it's easier to tell where you are, and you can find vending machines in certain locations. There are lots of maps printed on the walls but you can also check out the **digital tour of the tunnels**.



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MARINO RECREATION CENTER

The Marino Center is the fitness and recreation center on campus. It was voted one of the top ten recreational facilities in the country! Marino is where you can get involved with intermural or club sports, take group fitness classes, or workout on your own. To enter the facility, all you need to do is swipe your Husky Card at the entrance. Make sure you don't let anyone else use your card to get into Marino.

In addition to the locker rooms and administration, the lower level of Marino has a couple of places to grab a bite to eat and an atrium to relax or socialize. The upper floors offer a variety of exercise equipment, basketball courts that can also be used for other sports, a resistance training area with weight stations, and a suspended track.

As a full-time student, you have access to all the amenities using your Husky Card after paying a one-time recreation center fee. More details on paying the fee can be found on the **[Marino Center website](#)**.



FOOD, PLACES & THINGS TO DO

A large part of living somewhere new is figuring out where you like to eat, how to keep yourself entertained and places to explore - for the afternoon or for a weekend trip. Here we give you a great guide to get you started on your campus and adventures in and near Boston, with our Graduate Student Ambassadors sharing their favorite spots to hang around and munch some goodness!

ON CAMPUS

We all know the importance of nutrition for physical as well as mental health, but eating healthy in college, especially in grad school, is a challenge when it takes time and energy to cook a healthy meal. There are a lot of eateries on campus that provide a wide variety of options for pretty much any diet.

As mentioned earlier, Curry (CSC) is one of the most centralized places on campus equipped with a food court on the ground floor. It is a go-to place for food on campus but be warned - it can get pretty busy over during lunchtime hours. In the food court, you can find Sweet Tomatoes Pizza, Tú Taco, UBurger, Popeye's, Chaat House, and the only Kigo Kitchen outside of Washington state. Additionally, the Market offers a more convenience store style when you're in a hurry.

You also have the option of any of the three dining halls on campus, where you can take advantage of meal plans or pay for individual meals. The International Village dining hall caters to all different cultures and special dietary needs. In Stetson West Eatery, you can get made-to-order stir-fry. Levine Marketplace has eight different stations of food.

For the early risers, Rebecca's Café in Churchill Hall is open for breakfast at 7 AM and is open through lunch until 2 PM. They serve hot and fresh, reasonably-priced items like pancakes, cereals, fruits or salad bowls, bagels, sandwiches, pizza and everything else that one might crave for a morning or lunch meal. There's also a Subway in Ryder Hall, Caffé Strega in ISEC, and the Faculty Club in 716 Columbus Place for special occasions. The bottom line is that there are plenty of varieties that suit all kinds of taste buds right here on campus!

Find out more about what Northeastern Dining has to offer!

ON CAMPUS

For your caffeine and coffee/tea shop needs, you have some options. If you don't already know, "America runs on Dunkin'" and even more so, Boston runs on Dunkin'. There's one on almost every street corner and the campus is not different - there is one in Hayden Hall, Shillman Hall and in Ruggles Station. If Dunkin' is not your thing, other café options include Argo Tea in Snell Library, Café716 in 716 Columbus Place, Café Crossing in International Village, Caffé Strega in ISEC, and Starbucks is in AfterHours.

Important: Some places on campus do not take the regular gift cards since they are operated through the NU Dining franchise (e.g. Subway, UBurger, Popeyes). Dunkin' and Starbucks gift cards should work fine but be aware that certain promotions may not be honored.

Wollaston's Market (two locations: 369 Huntington Ave – in Marino Center & West Village B) are extremely popular because you can go grocery shopping get any necessary household items, all while getting a hot made-to-order sandwich – on campus.

What more needs to be said?

A popular place to grab food on campus is **Popeyes** in the Curry Student Center. Their sandwiches are highly recommended and attracts a large crowd (when they aren't sold out!).

THE HUNTINGTON STRIP

There is a couple of blocks of Huntington Ave, between Forsyth Street and Massachusetts Ave (called Mass Ave), where you can find almost anything you need in terms of food and convenience store items. For quick bites, there's QDOBA, Tatte, B.GOOD, Wings Over, Boston House of Pizza (BHOP)/Sprout/Gyroscope, Panera Bread, and Five Guys, just to name a few.

To spend a little more time, you can sit and hang out at Symphony Sushi, Moby Dick of Boston, Pho & I, and Ginger Exchange. There's also another Starbucks and Dunkin'. You'll find Conor Larkin's Grill & Tap, one of the most popular bars on campus among students and Symphony Market, the go-to-market and convenience store.

College Convenience (281 Huntington Ave) is a 24-hour grocery store/market that is a staple for students, especially for international students because there is a lot of items 'from home' that are rarely found in other places.

Can't decide what to eat or where to go?

News @ Northeastern put together this [fun page](#) to help!

Spin the wheel and see where it lands!

AMBASSADORS PICKS ON CAMPUS

Luke and Kavita go to Amelia's Taqueria (on Huntington) - Another campus staple, their burritos are amazing, and they are open late. Luke says, "I miss it when I don't eat it for a while."

Kavita also recommends, Pho & I (on Huntington) - "I crave their drunken noodles."

Manan liked Boston Shawarma (on Huntington) - "Authentic Mediterranean falafel and good on-the-go food. Plus, it's right across the street from Northeastern."

Sarah's favorite close by is Pavement Coffeehouse (closest one is on Gainsborough) - "I'm obsessed with their iced coffee and they have really good bagel sandwiches. They have locations all over Boston, including Symphony, Newbury, Fenway, and Allston."

Our NU student community works hard, but everyone needs a break sometimes. So, for all your time-off needs, you've got a lot of options right here on campus. Grab your training shoes and sports gear and head to Marino Center for recreational activities like gym, soccer, basketball, squash, badminton or swimming in a temperature-controlled pool (located in Cabot Center, across the street from Marino) to refresh and re-energize between your productive study hours.

Gamers, we've got something for you too! The PAWS/PLAY gaming area (on the 4th floor of Curry) has PlayStation and Xbox, along with other indoor games like pool, table tennis, and snookers.

Outside of actual NU buildings, the Museum of Fine Arts (MFA) is on the west side of campus (which you get into free with your Husky Card) and on the east side, is New England Conservatory, the Huntington Theatre Company, and Boston Symphony Hall. All of these are within a couple of blocks of each other and on Huntington Ave - imagine all the other places that are just around the corner!

PLACES CLOSE TO CAMPUS

Fenway/Kenmore

The Fenway/Kenmore area is home to baseball's historic **Fenway Park** which draws huge crowds for **Red Sox** games. The rambling Back Bay Fens park has a rose garden and walking trails where you generally find students hanging out or play soccer and basketball. There are many restaurants and bars here so it's a great place to be when you're hungry!



AMBASSADORS PICKS CLOSE TO CAMPUS

Sarath suggests Dumpling Palace (on Mass Ave) - You must try their dumplings & rice noodles.

Il Mondo Pizzeria (on Huntington & Mass Ave) - The best pasta I ever ate.

Abhay says Pho Basil (on Mass Ave) - "The Pho and Crab Rangoon are to die for."

Rachna's all about Chutneys (on Mass Ave) - Open till 11pm and close to campus, I love grabbing some quick Indian fast food during late night hours at the library.

AMBASSADORS PICKS

FENWAY/KENMORE

*Sarah says, **Isabella Stewart Gardener Museum** is a great place to go and "The block of Peterborough Street between Kilmarnock Street and*

***Jersey Street** is the perfect place for lunch!*

There are so many different options, they're all great, and there's outdoor seating.

*Neighborhoods has excellent crepes and the **burritos at El Pekin Taqueria** are my favorite in the city."*

***Rachna** can't get enough of **Mei Mei (on Park? Drive)** - "Their Pierogi dumplings are my guilty pleasure, and the Scallion pancake sandwiches are unworldly good.*

Everything in this store is also farm-to-table food, so most of the items are based on seasonal vegetables/fruits and have the freshest of taste.

They also have fun dumpling-making classes for serious dumpling-lovers."

AMBASSADORS PICKS FENWAY/KENMORE

*Luke goes to **Yard House (on Brookline Ave)** - "I love the street tacos and queso dip!" Sweet Cheeks Q (on Boylston) - "The biscuits with whipped honey butter are EPIC!"*

***Time Out Market (Landmark Center)** - New food market with a variety of Boston foods and outdoor games!*

***Tasty Burger (on Boylston but there are other locations too)** - Great burgers and one of the very few places open late.*

*Mugdha suggests when shopping on a budget to go to **Marshalls (on Brookline Ave)** - "Great deals on just about everything."*

***Target (on Boylston St)** - "The everyday store. Don't miss their weekly offers!"*

*Kinshuk like **Tony C's (on Boylston)** - "I absolutely love their chicken wings and have probably been there more than any other eating joint in Boston!"*

AROUND BOSTON NEIGHBORHOOD/AREAS

Chinatown

Boston's Chinatown is located near Boston's downtown area and is the third largest Chinatown in the United States. There are a number of great restaurants for those craving a taste of traditional Chinese food. It takes about 10 minutes to travel from the main campus to Chinatown via the Orange Line.



AMBASSADORS PICKS CHINATOWN

Zongkai likes Great Taste Baherv & Restaurant (on Beach St) - A good place for dim sum. Cheap and delicious.

Kung Fu Tea (on Kneeland) - Chinese Style milk tea. You can just take out like Starbucks. A little bit sweet but tasty.

Abhay suggests Q Restaurant (on Washington) - Amazing Hot Pot. Perfect dish for the winters.

Vishnu says Shaja (on Tyler St) - "Chinatown is merrily chaotic with people bustling about and its narrow streets. Shojo is a great space with amazing cocktails. But the highlight is the food that's nothing short of perfection. I think the chargrilled shrimp, the Shojonator, and the monkey chicken wings are a must try! I love the mural walls too!"



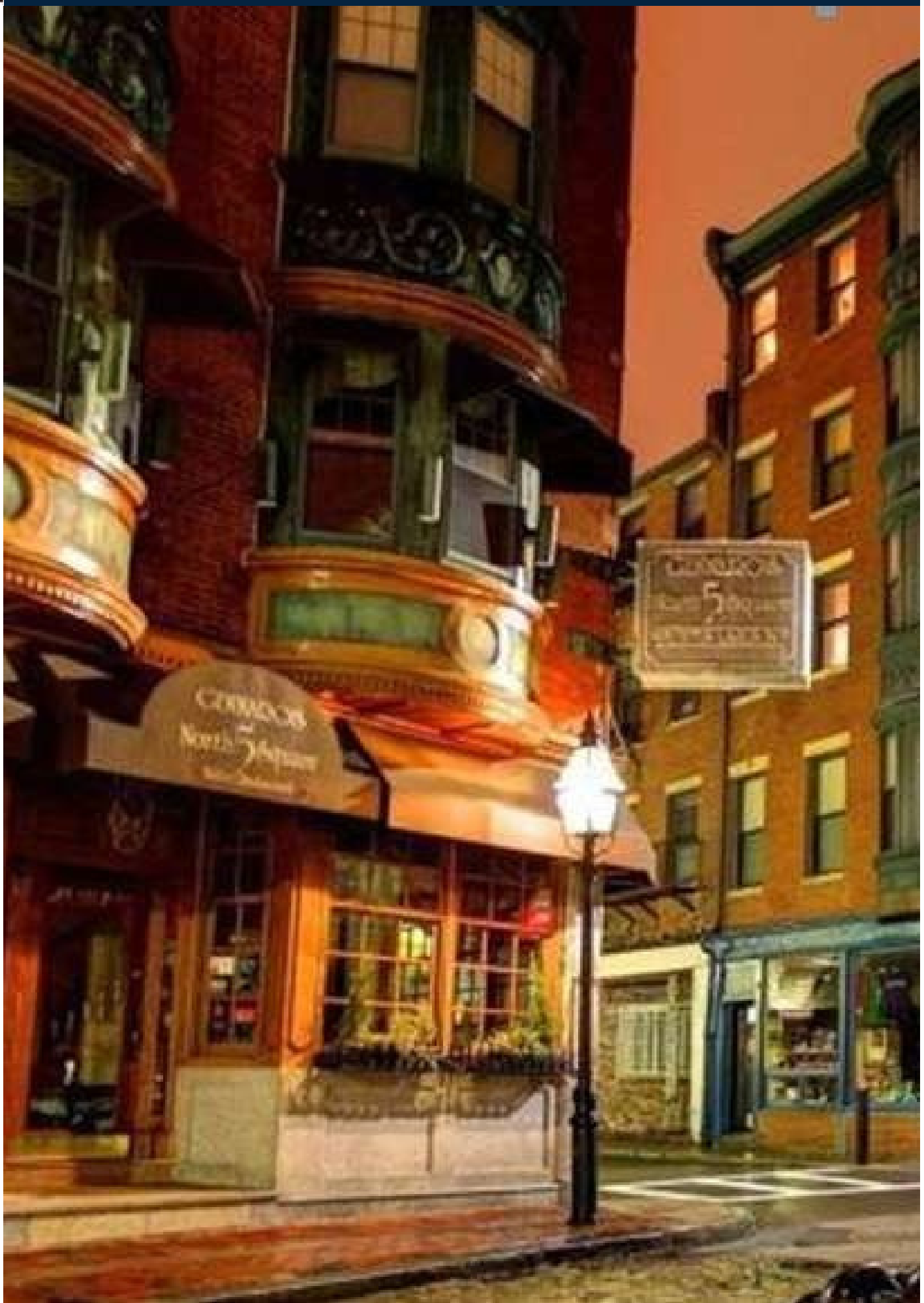
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DOWNTOWN CROSSING

With more than 200 retail stores, you can find almost anything here! Downtown Crossing boasts a variety of cuisines and catering to all your on-the-go and gourmet needs. The streets are always vibrant with live music and street vendors, and plenty of restaurants, supermarkets, shopping malls and bars guarantee you a fun day any time of the year! As the Green, Orange, Red, and Silver lines converge at Downtown Crossing, the area is easily accessible from any other part of the city! Close proximity to Boston Commons and the Financial District makes this a perfect lazy Sunday spot to start your city explorations.

NORTH END

North End is called "Boston's Little Italy", which is famous for its many Italian restaurants and cafes. If you are a fan of Italian food and culture, it's a must-visit destination! Take the Orange Line or Green Line to Haymarket Station and North End will be within walking distance.



AMBASSADORS PICKS NORTHEAST

Like most of Boston, there is an-going battle for the best cannoli/pastry place and it is no different among our Ambassadors!

Check out both

Mike's Pastry and Modern Pastry (both on Hanover Street) to see which one you like better!

AMBASSADORS PICKS OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS

Kavita recommends Toro (in South End on Washington) - Spanish tapas and really good food!

LIR (in Back Bay on Boylston) - One of the few places which show European football and good beer selection!

Amorino (in Back Bay on Newbury St) - Small ice cream parlor with a good variety of gelato and sorbet!

Mugdha goes to T.J. Maxx (in Back Bay on Newbury St) - Find great deals on a wide collection things.

Trader Joe's (in Back Bay on Boylston) - You can get affordable organic produce there.

Rachna speaks highly of Flour Bakery and Cafe (there are a few locations, google it to see which one you're closest to) - "Their Cinnamon Creme Brioche is to die for, collection of baked goods is uniquely complete (with plenty of vegan options), and the store in Dalton Street got the most Insta-worthy delicacies! What's not to love?"

Thai Basil (in Back Bay on Newbury St) - "My go-to place for lunch before a weekend Target run. Supercheap, amazing quality Thai food and the portions are huge!"

Shubham describes Tavern in the Square (multiple locations) - "A hip place to have drinks with great ambience and music to dance on."

Abhay likes Kings Dining and Entertainment (on Dalton Street) - "Unlimited bowling nights are always fun, plus it is cheap! (approximately 20\$)"



PLACES TO CHECK OUT



PRUDENTIAL CENTER

The Prudential Center, lovingly called "The Pru," is about a mile away from Northeastern University, ideal for an evening stroll after your classes. A really good place to surround yourself with delicious food, perfect views, and shopping experiences, you can also visit this place to unwind after a long day of reading at Boston Public Library (which is a five-minute walk away!). You can get almost everything here, be it clothes, books, cakes, etc. In addition, if you're in the mood for some sunshine and a fresh breeze, the Boston Public Garden is a short walk from Prudential Center.

BOSTON COMMON

Locally known as "The Common, the Boston Common is a central public park in downtown Boston and is also the oldest city park in the country. The Common is a part of the Emerald Necklace of parks and parkways that extend from the Common south to Franklin Park in Jamaica Plain, Roxbury, and Dorchester. Whatever your agenda for the day is - relaxing amongst the greenery, playing frisbee with your friends, walking your dog around, graduation photo session or even proposing to the girl of your dreams - The Commons is the place to be!! This place is a must-visit during Fall, for the most astounding autumn foliage experience of New England close to your new home!



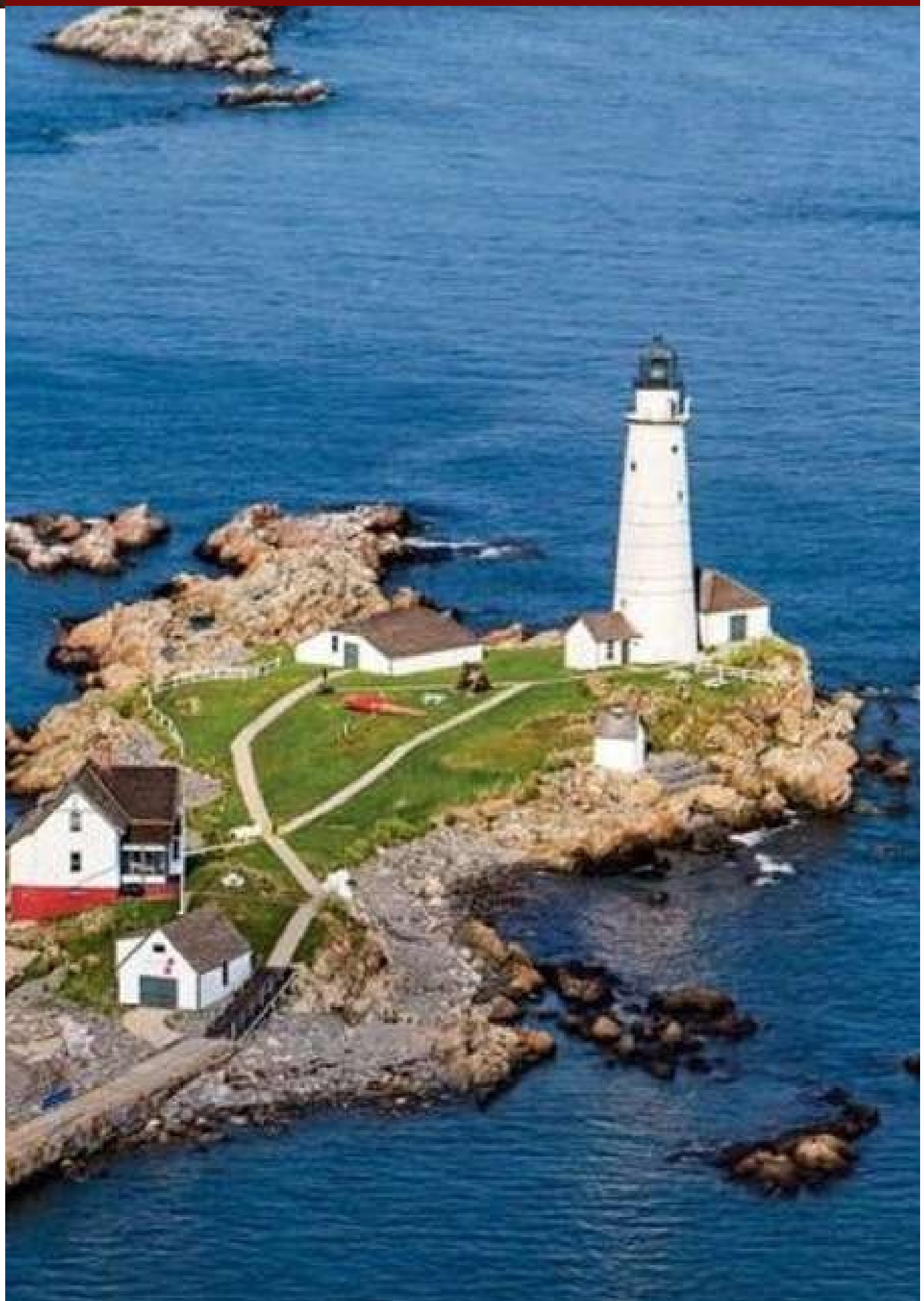


FANEUIL HALL/QUINCY CENTER

With 18 restaurants and 35 eateries showcasing many kinds of cuisines, Quincy Market is a great place to hang out with friends. There are shops from big brands to local Boston-oriented spots. The Faneuil Hall Station (via the Blue Line), State Street Station (via the Orange Line) and Park Street Station (via the Green Line and the Red Line) can take you within walking distance.

HARBOR ISLANDS

If swimming, boating, hiking, and camping are on top of your list then you should check out the Harbor islands. The **Boston Harbor Islands** National Park area is composed of 34 islands and mainland parks (peninsulas).



AMBASSADORS PICKS PLACES TO CHECK OUT

*Sarah likes Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA) (in Seaport District)
Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University (Jamaica Plain/Roslindale) - "It's the perfect
place to spend a nice afternoon to go for a walk or sit with a good book under a tree.
Just a short walk from the Forest Hills stop on the Orange line."*

*Kavita loves the skyline views and sunsets at Piers Park Sailing Centre (in East Boston) -
"Care for some mouthwatering chicken or falafel over rice? Here you go!"*

Charles River Esplanade

*Abhay suggests The Freedom Trail - A 2.5-mile red brick road which is perfect to go to
to know the historically significant sites in Boston and with that the city too.*

*Vishnu says Nightshift Owl's Nest (Charles River Esplanade) - "A pop up seasonal beer
truck located along Charles is a perfect place to go with your friends or on a work team
outing. Hang around in the garden and catch some of the food trucks! A walk along
Charles nicely rounds it up."*

*Sofar Concerts (multiple locations) - "They are intimate concerts that host curated local
and international artists in unique settings like rooftops, abandoned warehouses,
living rooms, basically any space that works."*



OUTSIDE OF BOSTON PROPER

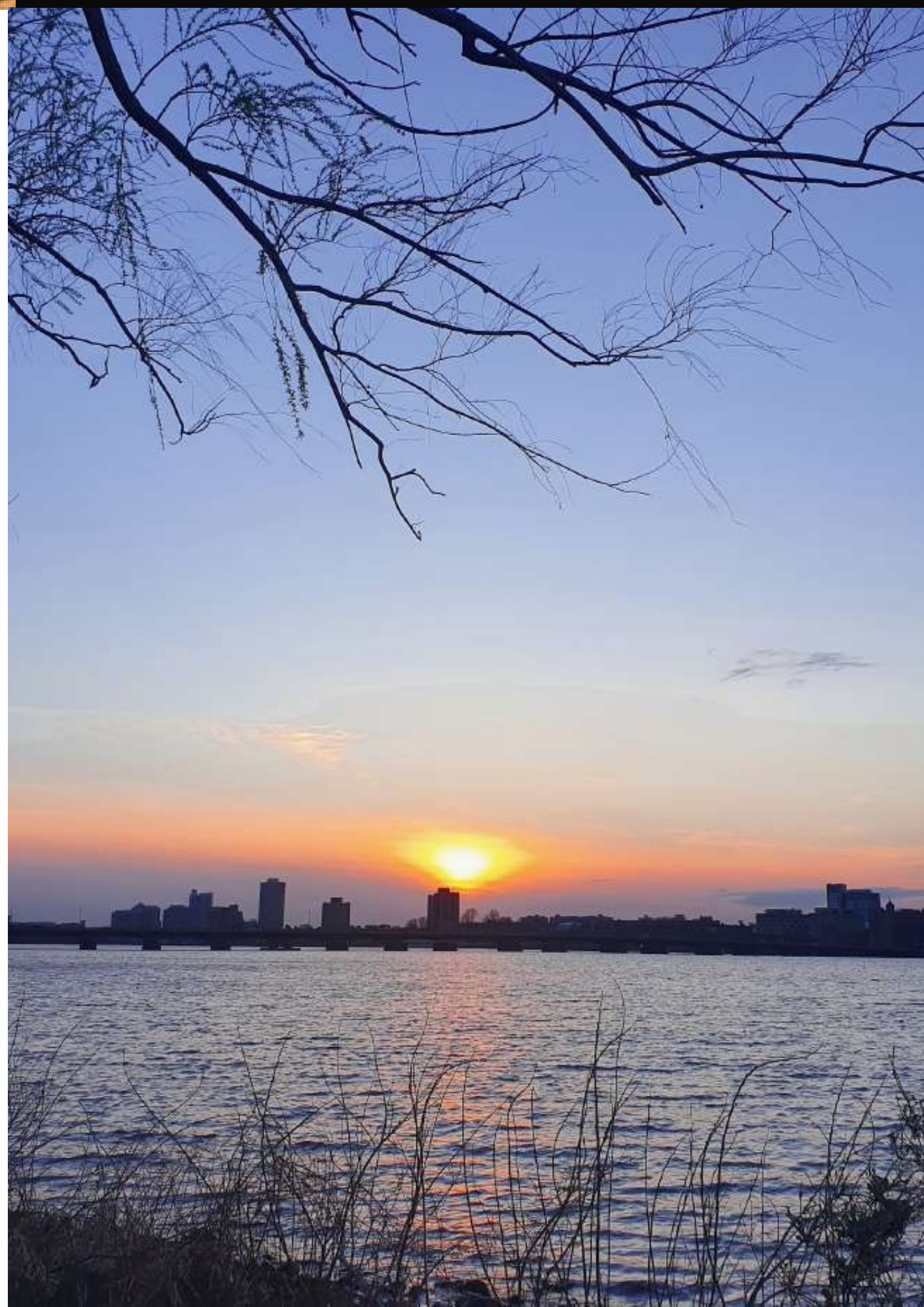


BRIGHTON/ ALLSTON

The neighborhood of Boston, once called "Little Cambridge", is now a dissolved municipality. Located in the northwestern corner of the city, a Brighton is connected to the rest of the city by the Allston neighborhood. It is also surrounded by Cambridge, Watertown, Newton, and Brookline. The Charles River separated Brighton from Cambridge and Watertown. Its population mostly consists of students from surrounding schools and has a wealth of hidden gems when it comes to pubs, lounges (including Paradise Rock Club and Brighton Music Hall) and mom-and-pop restaurants!

CAMBRIDGE

This sister city of Boston lies just across the Charles River and is known as the "City of Squares" - most of its commercial districts have "square" in their name, including Kendall Square, Central square, Harvard Square, Porter square, Inman square, and Lechmere square.



AMBASSADORS PICKS BRIGHTON/ALLSTON AREA

Zongkai suggest Holly Crab (on Comm Ave) - 'A perfect place for seafood if you like something spicy.'

BonChon (on Brighton Ave) - Korean style chicken wings with all kinds of snacks.

AMBASSADORS PICKS CAMBRIDGE

Shubham found Riverbend Park - It provides the most scenic views of Boston. The park is alongside Charles River near Harvard Kennedy School. A place to breathe and relieve your stress.

Meadhall (on Broadway) - Wide range of beer selection with consistent tap rotation. you like something spicy.

HARVARD SQUARE

Harvard Square is located on the north side of Charles River near Harvard University. The cafe and pastries here are some of the best in town. Go visit if you want some tranquil hours to yourself, sipping your coffee while the beautiful greenery and Victorian architecture around you provide a visual treat!

NUMBER ONE AMBASSADORS PICK HARVARD SQUARE

BorderCafe (on Church St) - A very popular Cajun & Tex-Mex Restaurant & Bar

Shubham describes it as "Mouthwatering Tex-Mex food with incomparable margaritas."

Manan similarly says "For all those who are looking for mouthwatering Mexican food should try this place and don't miss out the "frozen' strawberry margarita."

And Kavita recommends it as a "great place to go with a group of hungry friends."

AMBASSADORS PICKS OUTSIDE BOSTON

Sarath likes Dharani South Indian Cuisine (in Woburn) - Authentic South Indian Food.

Godavari Indian Restaurant (in Woburn) - \$15 all you can eat Buffet, every afternoon.

Abhav & Rachna both suggest Bawarchi Biryani (in South Weymouth) - She raves about it, "For the south-Indian food lovers, Biryani here is the best I could ever find in the entire Northeast! Can get a little too far from Boston, but when Biryani cravings hit me, they hit me hard. All items in their menu are better than even some of the restaurants in India. Take the T to Braintree and then get a bus ride to Weymouth or use your spare car rental hours to get here!"

He seconds her by saying, "This is the ideal place for everybody craving delicious Indian food, especially biryani".



PLACES TO TRAVEL

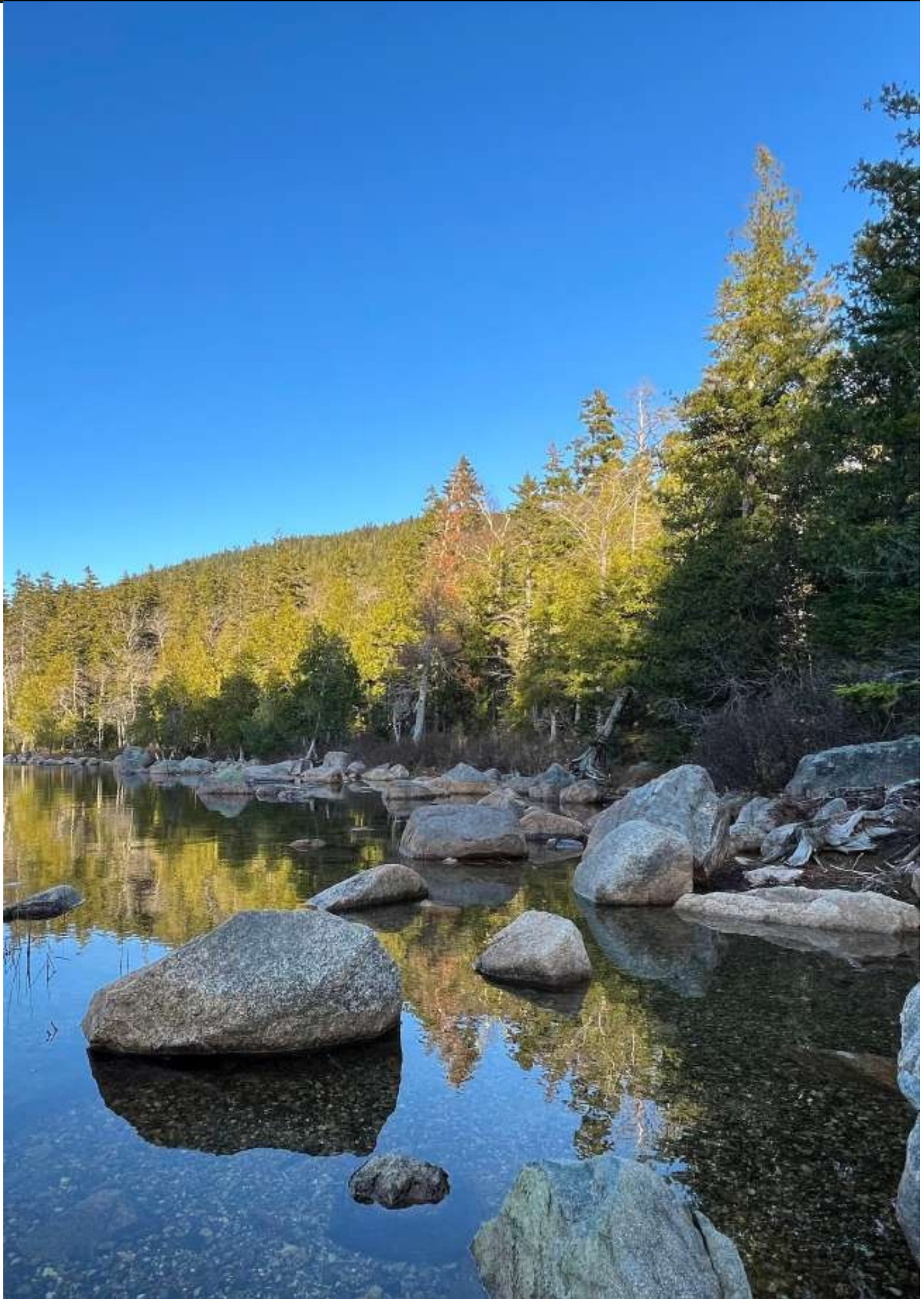


CAPE COD

It's summertime and you want to spend quality time on the beach and get those tan lines. If you're looking to surf on the waves, the hook-shaped Cape Cod peninsula (often just "The Cape") is the ideal destination. It's the site of quaint villages, seafood shacks, lighthouses, ponds and bay, and Atlantic Ocean beaches. What makes this an attraction is the presence of colonial-style gables, white window frames, and shingle siding flaunted proudly by the residents.

NEW ENGLAND, THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

Mount Washington, called Agiocochook by some Native American tribes, is the highest peak in the northeastern United States. At 6,288 feet (1,916.6m), Mt. Washington is the most prominent mountain east of the Mississippi River. The mountain is notorious for its erratic weather, which ranges from -50 °F (-46 °C) to 60 °F (16 °C). Every trail has two hiking paths you could take - the easy one or the tough one. The view from the top is worth the climb.



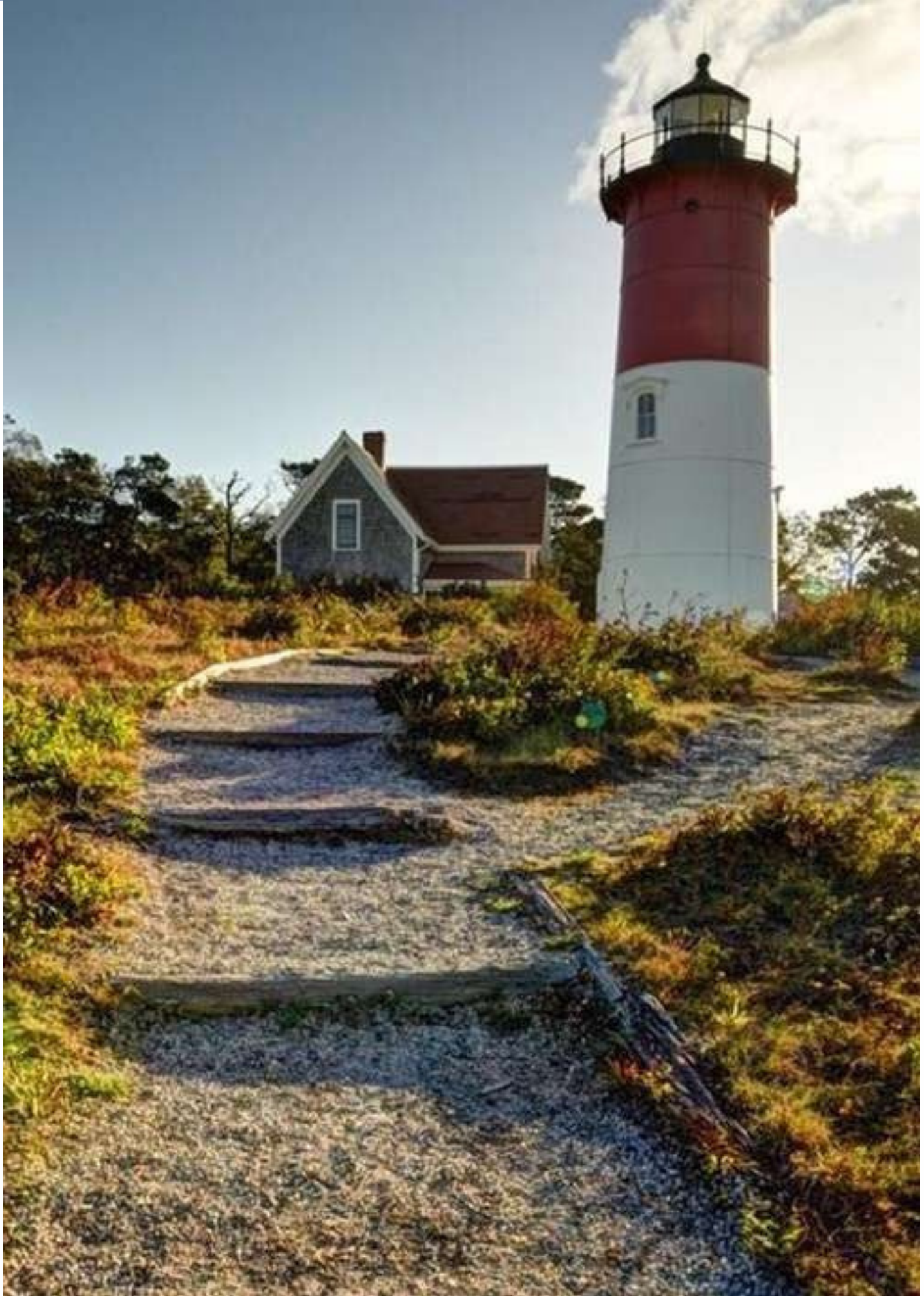


VERMONT

The state of Vermont is famous for its ski resorts and perhaps the most popular New England state for skiers and snowboarders. These ski resorts cater to all experience levels and you can ski from around Thanksgiving break in November to Spring break in March (and sometimes even April!) You can enjoy both skiing and view here for the whole week. By the way, the maple sugar in VT is delicious. Don't forget to pick some up at a local general store during your trip!

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

It is the most popular and capital city of Rhode Island and is the oldest city of the U.S as it was founded in the 1600s. If you love doughnuts, we highly recommended that you pay this place a visit, as the Providence metropolitan area has more doughnut shops per capita than any other region in the country.



ACADIA NATIONAL PARK

As the first national park in eastern America, Acadia National Park is the closest national park to Boston. 198 square kilometers, Acadia is worth the drive! The landscape of lakes, beaches, coastal sciences, and forests here is unforgettable. Besides the natural beauty, near Acadia National Park lies the port town of Bar Harbor which also worth visiting. If you get tired of urban life in Boston, Bar Harbor is quite different; you can enjoy lobster in many different ways and a peaceful ambience in a quiet town.

OTHER AMBASSADORS RECOMMENDATIONS

Sarath likes Lake Massapoag, MA. "The drive and the Lake... What a scenic beauty!!"

Abhay says Nahant Beach - "A serene view and a beautiful long drive. I love long drives and I love the road and route to reach this place. Check it on the maps, you'll understand why it is so beautiful."



WASHINGTON DC

DC is the United States capital and is home to millions of museums and memorials. The food scene is great and there's always an event going on that is worthwhile. It is close enough that you can make a weekend trip out of it but there's so much to do that you will have to take a couple trips to do all the things you want to. The National Mall, the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, the Smithsonian Museum, the US Capitol Building, and the White House area are a few of the most iconic and historic places.

NEW YORK CITY

No one can miss the chance to visit New York City, the financial, cultural and media capital of the world. It is one of the most populous and one of the most developed cities in the United States. The Statue of Liberty is a popular tourist and historical attraction. If you want to shop, Times Square and Fifth Avenue will be your best choice. If you are interested in art or history, you should check out the Brooklyn Museum, the Frick Collection and the Metropolitan Museum of Art (MoMA). You can also enjoy food from all over the world here at more than 70 Michelin-starred restaurants.





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WEATHER

Boston weather is typically more varied and colder than many incoming students from outside Massachusetts are used to. Sometimes it rains, snows and sleet all in the same day, and sometimes it can be a comfy 65°F in the day but a chilly 40°F when the sun goes down. Here is a small list of things you can do to shield yourself from the vagaries of Boston weather.

1. LAYER, LAYER, LAYER

If you couldn't tell from the emphasis, layering is key. A proper layering system entails a base layer (that touches your skin), an insulating middle layer, and a shell (the outer layer). This combination allows you the most flexibility to stay comfortable all day long – you can take off individual layers to adjust.

a. Base Layer – What's on the Inside

Getting too warm and sweating under your clothes is irritating and can make you colder in the end. Putting on a thermal layer that moves moisture away from your skin will help keep you dry and stay warm. This applies to both your top and bottom. Most people wear their regular style shirt over this first layer. When it is really cold, wool tights, leggings or long underwear under your pants/jeans is awesome.

b. Mid-Layer – Keeps you Warm

This is the layer that keeps your heat in and the cold out. Typically, it is a good sweater or thick sweatshirt. Fleece is also popular in cooler temperatures. Depending on your coat/jacket, this is the easiest layer to adjust. If you are carrying a bag, it is never a bad idea to throw in an extra layer if you are nervous about it. Take some time to do some experimenting – you will be surprised what combination of things work.

c. Outer Layer – Protect from the Elements

Probably the most important investment one can make while living in Boston is a good, warm coat/jacket. Pick one that is waterproof (which is different from water-resistant), has a hood, and with good insulation (windproof is a huge plus). A waterproof jacket will not let the melting snow and rain soak through, and a hood is paramount in dealing with the mess of weather conditions Boston experiences.

When considering down or synthetic insulation, the warmth is measured by something called ‘fill power;’ the higher the fill power, the warmer the jacket. Fill power usually varies between 300 and 900. Additionally, getting a coat/jacket that is long enough reaching below your waist can make a huge difference.

Don’t worry, Canada Goose isn’t the only company that sells warm coats – although looking around Boston in the winter might make you think differently. There are lots of other brands like North Face, Columbia, etc. that you can get.

2. WINTER BOOTS

We have two words for you: “BEAN BOOTS.” L.L. Bean Boots are the way to go for a Boston winter. They are waterproof, warm and will last you forever. They come in all different styles and the non-insulated ones are great for fall, but your feet will be icicles if you wear them in the snow. The insulated Bean Boots sell out quickly and are more expensive but are worth the money.

Insider Tip: They seem to run about a half size big.



a. Don't Forget Socks!

Let's admit it, no one likes wet feet. To prevent the agony of sitting through 3-hour long lectures with cold feet (literally!), consider buying a few pairs of warm socks at the earliest. Anything made of wool or with a wool blend will help you stay warm and dry

3. COVER YOUR FACE & HEAD

It might not be a “Windy City” like Chicago, but Boston can get quite breezy and that paired with the low winter temperatures can make matters worse. A winter hat that covers your ears is essential and if you can order a windproof one, you will not regret it.

Breathing in cold, moist air hurts. To avoid it, invest in a scarf that you can also pull over your mouth and nose to pre-warm the air before it enters your system. Don't wait until November to order your cold weather gear. Try shopping for your coat and boots in the summer or fall. Often times companies have sales during the offseason, so you could even save yourself some money.

4. IS IT *STILL* WINTER?

Sometimes we get snow in April! When the weather ignores your plans, stay one step ahead by downloading weather apps on your phone and signing up for emergency alerts to never be stranded when it's wicked cold outside. Some useful resources include:

- [Best Weather Apps for iPhone for 2020](#)
- [15 best weather apps and weather widgets for Android](#)
- [City of Boston - Cold Weather Safety Tips](#)
- [City of Boston – Sign Up for Emergency Alerts](#)

Always have an umbrella handy to avoid getting drenched.

BUT be careful when it's windy – it could flip inside out.

Get some more tips and ideas for fun winter things to do in our awesome blog post '[What to Do for Your First Winter in Boston](#),' by a former ambassador!

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

GWISE

The graduate women in science and engineering (GWiSE) organization is a group that hosts professional, community, and outreach events to identify and break down barriers preventing women and non-binary folks from succeeding in STEM fields. The group mainly operates through a Microsoft [Teams channel](#) or an instagram with the handle @neugwise. To get involved, follow the Instagram page or join the Teams channel and attend any events that are posted.

COE PhD council

The College of Engineering PhD council is a relatively new organization. This was started around the Fall of 2022 and is composed of PhD students from the different departments in COE. They plan various events for all PhD students such as a fun weekly coffee hour and a science on tap series. The weekly coffee hour is a time where the students can take a break, chat with others, and grab some free coffee, donuts, and bagels (usually from Dunkin). The science on tap series is a fun event where a professor (either from NU or outside of the school), industry person, or other scientific person gives a high level overview of what they are working on or about a scientific issue. Along with the presentation, there is free food and usually free alcohol (hence the name “science on tap”).

In addition to planning events for all PhD students, the council also advocates for students and brings up issues to help improve how things are done or get more benefits for the students. The Dean of COE, Gregory Abowd, is very receptive to hearing about what students want and how he can help.

Graduate student government

The Graduate Student Government (GSG) is a collection of elected graduate students from any of the college/departments on campus. They are the “official” voice of the graduate students on campus. They work with the university to improve graduate student life. All the details about the GSG can be found on their [website](#).

Graduate students of color collective

The GSCC at Northeastern is a community for students of color that promotes education, professionalism, and civic duty. Through continued civic engagement with surrounding communities, the GSCC recognizes marginalized populations and what they need to succeed.



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HEALTH & SAFETY

SAFETY

RedEye information

A very helpful service that is freely available to students is the RedEye shuttle service. This service is run in the evenings from 5 pm to 6 am and allows students who live within 2 miles of campus to get a ride home. Students can reserve rides through a mobile application and shuttles usually run every 30 minutes throughout the night. The pickup location is near Snell Library and more information can be found on their [website](#).

NU Police and SafeZone app

As Northeastern is a big and busy campus, the university has its own police department, NUPD (Northeastern University Police Department). NUPD is located in 716 Columbus Ave which is the building directly across from Squashbusters and the outdoor fields. The resources and services offered are available on their [website](#). NUPD is a group of friendly and helpful officers that are looking out for the students. In addition to calling them at 617-373-3333 if students need anything, an application called SafeZone exists.

SafeZone is a mobile application that allows you to alert NUPD if you feel threatened, need medical attention, or to let them know you are on campus during non-business hours. More information about the app can be found on the NUPD [website](#).

HEALTH INSURANCE

Massachusetts state law requires students to have a certain level of health insurance coverage and the Northeastern University **Student Health Plan** (NUSHP) provides a comprehensive plan that students are automatically enrolled in. The main highlights of NUSHP are:

- Coverage Anywhere: Comprehensive healthcare coverage at school, at home, while traveling, on Co-op or study abroad
- Savings: Affordable coverage, low co-payments, caps on annual out-of-pocket costs, and access to reduced dental, vision, and pharmacy
- Global Protection: 24/7 emergency medical care and assistance anywhere in the world.

You can choose to go with another health insurance plan instead of NUSHP, but you need to make sure it fulfills all the requirements to waive NUSHP and meets the state mandate. The recent partnership with **Gallagher Student Health**, a company that reviews all waiver applications, benefits you by ensuring that you will be covered to meet all requirements and, in turn, avoid any repercussions.

If you are thinking about waiving NUSHP, you can compare your other plan options with **this checklist**. ”This guide to understanding your health plan choices” is a great starting point for **understanding more about NUSHP**. For any unanswered questions, refer to the **FAQ_page** or click **here** for a video overview of the program for domestic and international students.

Health Insurance Information

In Massachusetts, it is mandatory to be enrolled in a health insurance plan. Luckily, Northeastern University will automatically enroll in and cover health insurance for all PhD students through the Northeastern University Health Plan (NUSHP). If you have your own health insurance, you can opt out of the insurance plan. With NUSHP, you receive the highest level of benefits when obtaining care from preferred or in-network providers. NUSHP also offers covered telehealth services. For more information on the health insurance, visit the Blue Cross Blue Shield NUSHP website.

For questions about NUSHP, email NUSHP@Northeastern.edu.

Fenway Health

Fenway Health is a facility with multiple types of providers within a walking distance from the Boston campus. NUSHP partnered with Fenway Health to provide a reduced co-payment for medical, dental, and optical services when using Fenway health providers.

UHCS

University Health and Counseling Services (UHCS) offers support and information for both mental and physical health concerns. The UHCS office is located in Forsyth hall and is open everyday except Sundays. UHCS offers same day urgent medical visits, walk in mental health assessment, 24/7 mental health support, vaccinations, and referrals to nearby clinical care.

Mental Health

As part of UHCS, Northeastern offers mental health and counseling services. find at Northeastern offers 24/7 access to counseling services. There are unlimited free appointments and the service will help you schedule appointments either online or in person.

Dental

Reduced dental costs can be obtained through using Fenway health services. If that is not an option, Northeastern University also offers dental savings plan through Basix at basixstudent.com. The Basix student plan usually offers 30% off of dental procedures.



RESOURCES

CATLR

The Center for Advanced Teaching and Learning Through Research is a great resource for PhD students on a TA to improve at teaching their students. The center offers events, self-paced training modules, and conferences which all offer new and effective teaching strategies. In addition, there are one-one consultations available to better get any of your teaching questions answered. If a PhD student is interested in becoming a faculty member at any institution after degree completion, CATLR also offers a “Future Faculty Program” where students will learn and practice specific aspects of teaching. This information will create a portfolio and the student will earn a certificate in teaching at the end of the program. All information can be found on the center’s website.

PhD Network

The PhD network is a group which puts on workshops and career resources on behalf of PhD students. Workshops offered include, CV to resume workshops, personality and leadership characteristic finding, doctoral office hours, stress busting workshops, career development. In addition, the PhD network offers the LEADERS program. The LEADERS program is an experiential learning opportunity for graduate students that incorporates professional and leadership skills with an industrial project. The program provides an opportunity for PhD students to go on a co-op or internship that aligns with their research goals and benefits their advisor by offering an additional semester of funding to the student when they return. PhD students can join the LEADERS program after completing one year of study. All information about the PhD network can be found on their website.

Library Resources

The library features 4 floors of study space that only Northeastern students have access to. The first floor has a cafe, help desk, lockers for hardware loans, and a printing station. The second floor has an area that only graduate students have access to known as the digital scholarship commons, a 3D printing studio, and IT help desk. The third and fourth floors are dedicated to study areas with smaller study rooms on the fourth floor that are only accessible to graduate students.

Resources the library offers include:

Online platform for finding papers

3D printing studio

IT

Booking rooms and spaces

Borrow hardware: You can loan a laptop or camera for up to 5 days at a time. Late fees will accrue at \$20 a day and \$1500 if the laptop is not returned within a week.

NUWorks

NUworks is a career management portal for Northeastern University students. NUWorks can be used for networking, applying for co-ops/internships/full-time jobs, and exploring global opportunities. It is a great resource that all students should check out by visiting their website.

Study Spaces

There are multiple study spaces around campus outside of the library. The spaces can be booked using the spaces [website](#). The Boston campus is large and beautiful. There are plenty of options to study outside during nice weather days, such as Centennial Common. In addition, the Curry Student Center has a lot of available space for studying and eating.

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A Guide for navigating life at Northeastern University





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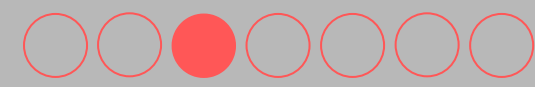
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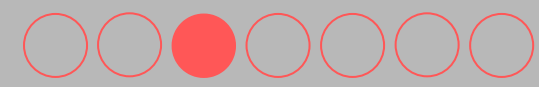
Ankita Patel
STUDENT AMBASSADOR

Welcome to our esteemed academic community! I am Ankita Patel, your Graduate Student Ambassador, and I'm thrilled to extend a warm greeting to you as you embark on your scholarly adventure in Information Systems here in Toronto, Canada. With roots in India and a background in Biotechnology, I'm currently navigating the exciting convergence of life sciences and technology in our Master's in Information Systems program, with a keen focus on Digital Health. As you stand at the threshold of this significant educational journey, you're not alone. You're accompanied by diverse and passionate individuals, who are eager to explore, learn, and innovate. As you navigate through the extensive curriculum of our Master's in Information Systems program, you will discover opportunities to blend your unique interests and prior knowledge with the multifaceted world of Information Systems. Allow this handbook to be your compass, guiding you through the academic terrain you are about to traverse. Each section has been carefully curated to address your potential queries and provide insights into what lies ahead. While the journey promises to be intellectually stimulating, remember that support is always at hand. As your ambassador, I'm here to assist and facilitate a smoother transition for you into our academic family. I encourage you to reach out, connect, and actively participate in the vibrant life of our college and the broader university community. Looking forward to witnessing the remarkable journey that awaits you. Together, let's learn, innovate, and lead in the field of Information Systems.



Welcome, fellow learner! Embrace each challenge with curiosity and passion, for in this community, every obstacle is a stepping stone to intellectual triumph!





Welcome Message



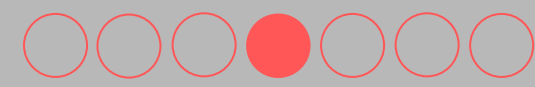
Greetings from Northeastern University Toronto! As a student ambassador for the Toronto campus, it is my pleasure to provide you with invaluable insights and guidance on navigating the financial landscape as an international student. My name is Deep Chhowala, and I am thrilled to be part of the fall 2022 intake. Coming from India with a background in Computer Engineering, Quality Assurance Corporate Experience (Information Technology), Project Management, People Management, and expertise in research and Play Store deployments, I bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to support you in your journey as an International Student. Join me as we explore the intricate world of managing finances in Toronto, uncovering practical tips, and strategies to ensure a smooth and successful transition into 'master's degree student life'. Together, let us embark on this exciting adventure, maximizing our potential and seizing every opportunity that awaits us at Northeastern University Toronto.

Deep Chhowala (DC)
STUDENT AMBASSADOR



*Limit is just a theoretical concept,
developed by the ones, who are
willing to settle with little that they
have - DC*





Financial Support and Employment Opportunities

As an international student in Canada, you are eligible for financial support and various employment opportunities to help manage your living expenses. Upon activating your bank account, you will receive a Guaranteed Investment Certificate (GIC) amount of \$2000 CAD (from the ~\$10,000 CAD that you paid from your home country). Additionally, you will receive \$780 CAD per month for your living expenses for the next 11 months. You can also work on and off campus to support your standard of living. Northeastern University Toronto offers on-campus jobs, including positions such as teaching assistants and ambassadors. There are no limitations on working hours for on-campus jobs, but for off-campus work, students are allowed to work a maximum of 20 hours per week; and the minimum wage in Ontario is \$15.50 CAD per hour (will be \$16.55 CAD per hour after 1st October, 2023).





Other Monthly Expenses

In addition to rent and transportation, there are other monthly expenses to consider when calculating your cost of living in Toronto. Utilities (electricity, water, heating, WiFi) typically cost around \$35 CAD to \$80 CAD per month. Groceries can amount to an average of \$120 CAD to \$180 CAD per month (might vary highly based on individual's intake), while a mobile phone plan (internet and calling) ranges from \$40 CAD to \$70+ CAD per month. Tiffin services, offering meals for 5/6 days a week (excluding Sundays), can range from \$180 CAD to \$250 CAD per month. Dining out in mid-range restaurants may cost around \$20 to \$30 CAD per meal. Gym memberships start from \$15 CAD per month, and movie tickets are typically around \$13 CAD to \$20 CAD.





Tips for Managing Finances



1

Ask for student discounts

Many stores, restaurants, and cultural attractions in Toronto offer discounts to students. Always carry your student ID and ask for discounts, even if they are not advertised

2

Utilize online platforms

Use platforms like Facebook Marketplace, Kijiji, and Realtor.ca to search for housing options in Toronto

3

Temporary accommodation

Consider finding temporary accommodation before arriving in Canada. It's recommended to physically visit and inspect the location before committing to a lease or making any financial commitments

4

Budgeting and planning

Plan your expenses, create a budget, and track your spending to ensure you are effectively managing your finances

5

Take advantage of on-campus opportunities

Northeastern University Toronto offers various oncampus job opportunities. Explore these options to earn income while studying

6

Navigating your Finances and Enjoying Toronto

By planning and managing your finances effectively, you can make the most of your experience in Toronto without breaking the bank. With the wide range of opportunities available for international students, both in terms of financial support and employment, you can navigate your finances and enjoy everything Toronto has to offer



Get your Husky ID

Before your first visit to the campus, it is essential to apply for your Husky Card, which is your key to accessing various campus facilities and services. We recommend that you initiate the application process at least 20 days before your planned visit to ensure a smooth experience.

To apply for your Husky Card, please visit the following website: [Husky Card Application Form] (https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=gcLuqKOqrk2sm5o5i5IV5-SAK9CXJP1Ho25DMCi7Y_IUQ0Q1R0xLOEdVWjVHRIZPVEUzVIZOMUM0My4u). Once you have submitted the form, your part is complete.

Upon your arrival at the campus on your first day, you can collect your Husky Card, which should be available at the front desk after approximately 20 days from your application submission. Please inform the staff at the front desk that it's your first day, and they will assist you with your welcome kit, Husky Card, and access card. Your Husky Card is a vital tool in ensuring a smooth and secure experience during your time at the campus, so be sure to have it with you at all times.

Student Hub

You will find most functions and services related to your academic experience at Northeastern - Toronto (e.g. course registration, your course schedule, student accounts, etc.) in the Student Hub (<https://northeastern.sharepoint.com/sites/studenthub>). You can also use your Northeastern account to access your student email account, powered by Office 365. We encourage you to check your Northeastern email regularly.



Housing Considerations

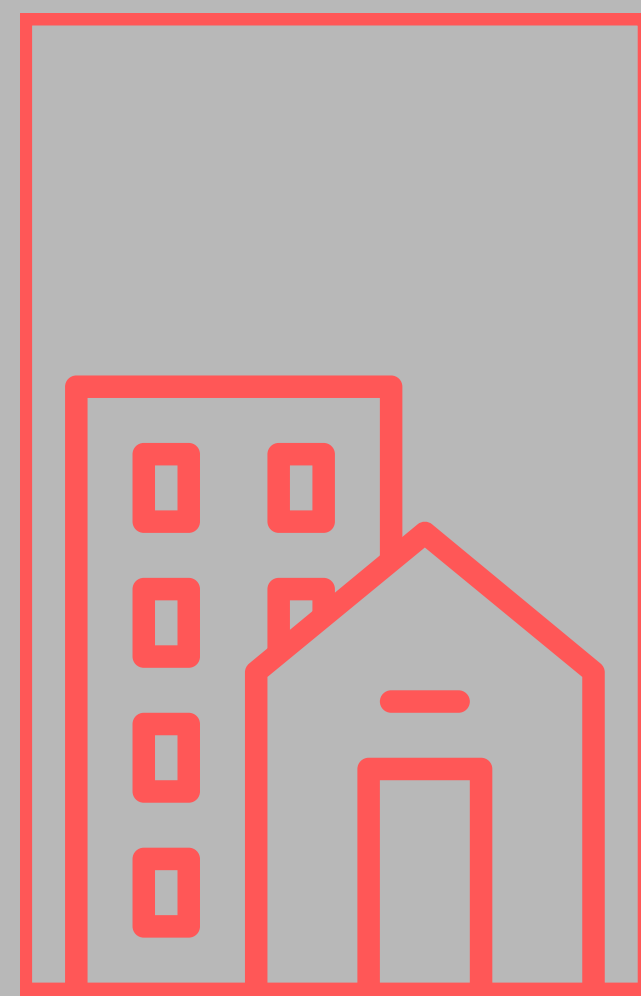
When it comes to managing your finances in Toronto, finding a place to live is a crucial factor to consider. If you decide to reside in Downtown Toronto, be prepared for higher housing costs. Renting a one-bedroom apartment in the downtown area typically starts at around \$2200 CAD per month. However, you can save a substantial amount on rent by exploring nearby cities within the Greater Toronto Area, like North York or Etobicoke, where average rents range from \$400 CAD to \$600 CAD per month (shared rooms). Keep in mind that commuting to and from these areas can take approximately 60 to 75 minutes.

Other cities that are popular among international students, are: Scarborough, Brampton, Vaughan, and Mississauga. These cities also offer similar rental rates of \$400 CAD to \$600 CAD per month (shared rooms). However, the commute from these locations can take anywhere from 60 to 100 minutes or more.

It's important to note that Northeastern University Toronto does not provide housing facilities. To search for available housing options, we recommend visiting the following websites:

- [Realtor.ca](https://www.realtor.ca/)
- <https://www.kijiji.ca/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/>

We strongly advise that you only use these websites to get an idea of the area and rental rates. It's essential to visit and inspect the place in person before making any rental arrangements.

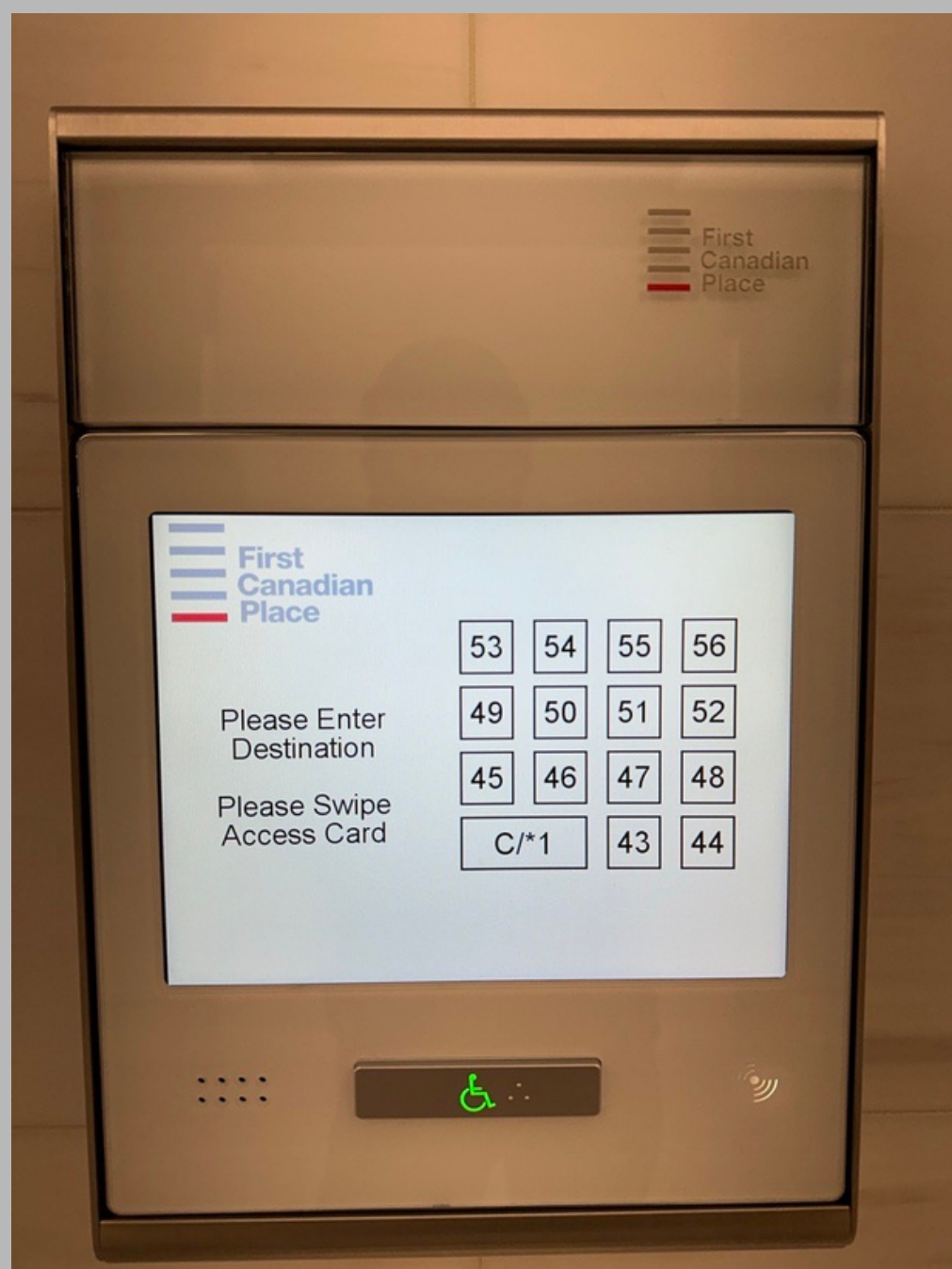
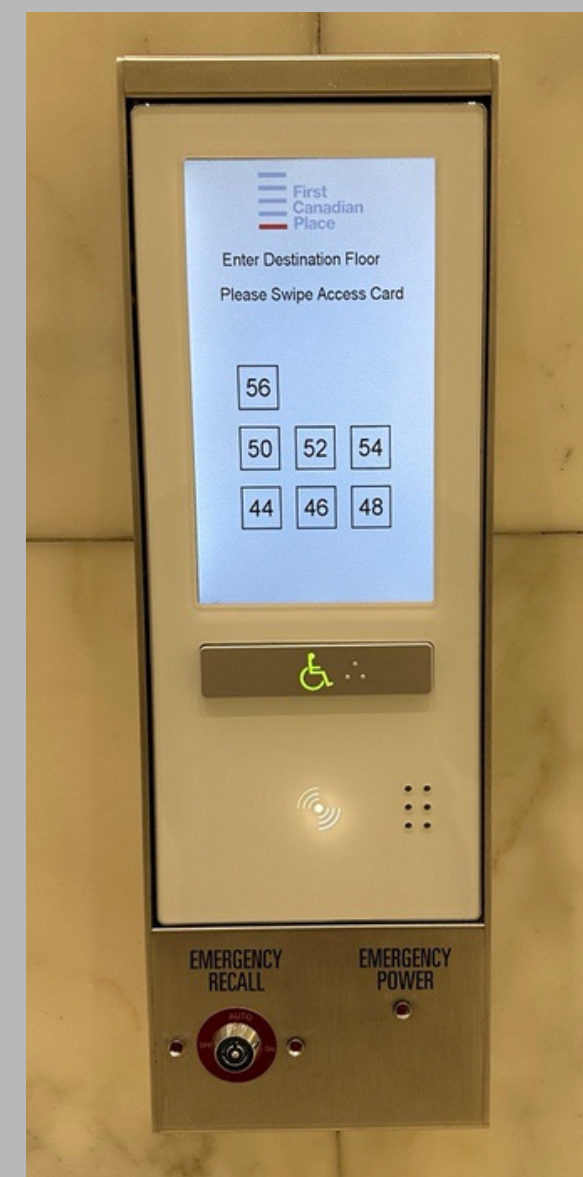




First Day at First Canadian Place

On your first day at Northeastern University - Toronto, you will arrive at First Canadian Place. At the ground level of First Canadian Place, you'll see four blocks of elevators. Each block has a specific purpose. The first block serves lower-level floors, the next block takes you to the next set of floors, the third block covers the above-level floors, and the last block is for top floors.

It's important to know that these elevators only stop at even-numbered floors. Elevators to reach odd-numbered floors are on the concourse level.



When you're on the 52nd or 46th floor and want to head down, simply select C/1 on the touchpad to find an elevator. This selection will bring you to the concourse level. From there, you can take either the escalators or the stairs to go up and reach the street level on either King Street or Adelaide Street.

First Day at NEU Toronto

Your first day at Northeastern University marks the beginning of an exciting journey. Once you step out of the elevator on the 52nd floor, head towards the NEU front doors. When you arrive, just give a friendly knock, and a Northeastern staff member will welcome you in. Let them know it's your first day, and they'll help you get your Husky card, Access card, and a welcome kit. With your Husky card and welcome kit, you're all set to start your time at Northeastern University.

Please note that your Husky card and Access card are different. Your access card will help you use elevators (off-business hours) and enter campus. Your Husky card will be used to identify you, when you enter the campus (you will have to swipe it near reception when you enter for the first time on that day).

You can connect to NEU wifi (NU Wave) from your mobile phone, as well as from your laptop.





Understanding MSIS Curriculum

To complete the MS in Information Systems program, students are required to earn a total of 32 credit hours. The program consists of a mix of courses, including mandatory and elective options.

Course Structure:

- The program comprises of eight/ nine courses in total
- Eight of these courses are 4-credit courses, and one is a 1-credit course
 - Successful completion of the 1-credit course, ENCP6000, is mandatory to be eligible for the Cooperative Education (Co-op) program

Core Course (Mandatory):

- INFO 5100 Application Engineering and Development: This core course provides a solid foundation and is mandatory for all students in their first semester. It has a corresponding lab component, INFO 5101 (Please note lectures and labs are considered as one course - wherever applicable)

Co-op eligibility course

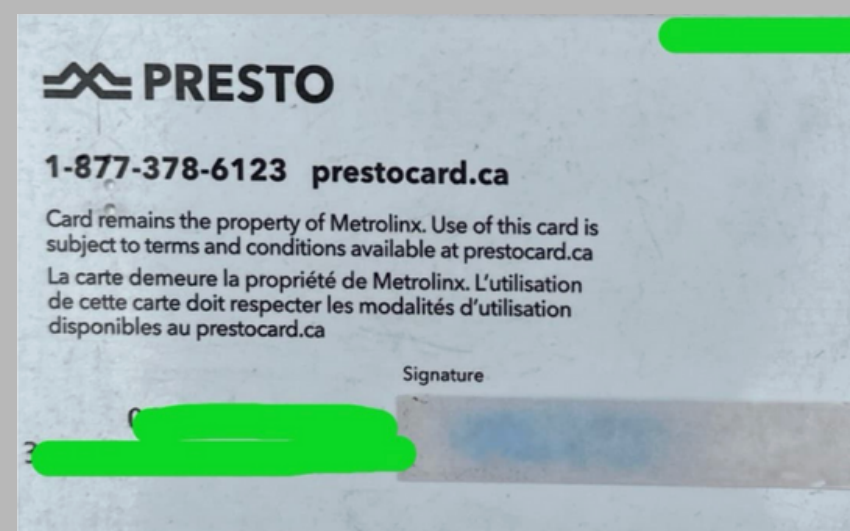
- ENCP6000 (1 credit): This course is mandatory for all students and is a prerequisite to apply for the Co-op program. Taking this course early, preferably in the first semester, is recommended to allow ample time for Co-op applications and opportunity searches. Additionally you will need to achieve a 3.2 GPA.

Elective Courses:

- After completing INFO 5100, students can choose their electives only from INFO, DAMG, and CSYE
- A total of 16 credit hours must be chosen from the INFO department (After INFO5100)
- The remaining 12 credit hours can be selected from CSYE, DAMG, and INFO departments combined

Academic Load:

- Students are required to take a minimum of 8 credit hours (2 full time courses) and a maximum of 9 credit hours per semester



This is how your PRESTO card will look. This card is used to access busses, subways, street cars and GO trains in the Greater Toronto area along with some other regions in the neighbourhood. Below is a list of transportation facilities where you can use this card:

- TTC (Toronto Transit Commission)
- Brampton Transit
- MiWay (Mississauga transit)
- YRT (York Region transit)
- Durham Region Transit
- HSR (Hamilton Street Railway)
- Oakville Transit
- OC Transpo

Where to buy a Presto card?

The most convenient way to get your PRESTO card is by visiting one of the selected 'Shoppers Drug Mart,' where you can buy a card for a nominal fee of \$4. Furthermore, you can promptly load funds onto your card right at the store. It is recommended you take your student ID with you during the purchase to activate the student pass. Additionally, keep your study permit handy, as they may request it to verify your student status and the date of your last day in Canada.

Additionally, you may purchase a PRESTO card at most TTC stations at a black kiosk.

Registration

Upon securing your card, you need to create an account on the PRESTO website or mobile application and associate your card with your account. For a step-by-step guide on how to do this, please refer to the following instructional video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lDrM-ATZj04>

For more comprehensive information on this process, please visit the following link: <https://www.prestocard.ca/en/about/get-a-presto-card>

Social Insurance Number - SIN

A Social Insurance Number (SIN) is a unique nine-digit number issued by the Canadian government to Canadian citizens, permanent residents, and temporary residents (such as international students and foreign workers). It is used for various government programs and services, particularly for tracking employment and income for tax purposes. It is recommended you apply for a SIN as soon as possible after landing in Canada.

Check this link for more information and application:
<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/sin.html>

Medical Insurance

Having medical insurance is mandatory, from the moment you land in Canada. All Toronto students have to get insurance from Guard.me. No other medical insurance policy is accepted by NEU - Toronto. To ensure compliance, it's highly recommended that you purchase this insurance prior to your departure from your home country, and it is critical to set the start date of your insurance policy to match the exact day of your arrival in Canada.

Use this link to get more information and purchase a policy:
<https://www.guard.me/neutoronto>

Mobile Number

Mobile Phone Providers: Toronto has several mobile phone service providers, also known as carriers. Some of the major ones are:

- Rogers
- Bell
- Telus
- Freedom
- Fido

You can choose a provider based on your budget, coverage needs, and the type of plan you prefer.

Identification: You will need to provide identification when signing up for a mobile phone plan in Toronto. This can include a valid passport, Canadian driver's license, or other government-issued photo ID. Some providers may also require proof of address.

Coverage: Consider the coverage area of the mobile provider you choose. Toronto has excellent coverage from major providers, but it's essential to ensure that the network covers the areas you plan to visit frequently.



Driver's Licence

Obtaining a driver's license in Toronto, as in the rest of Ontario, is a process that allows you to legally drive a motor vehicle. Here are some details about the driver's license application process in Toronto:

Types of a car Driver's Licenses

G1: This is the first level of the graduated licensing system in Ontario. To get a G1 license, you must pass a written test based on the official driver's handbook. With a G1 license, you can only drive under certain conditions. (check the official website for more details)

G2: The G2 license is the second level in the graduated licensing system. To obtain a G2 license, you must pass a road test after holding a G1 license for a minimum period (typically 12 months). With a G2 license, you have fewer restrictions than with a G1, but there are still some limitations, including zero blood alcohol level while driving. (check the official website for more details)

G: The Full G license is the final stage of the graduated licensing system. To get a Full G license, you must pass another road test after holding a G2 license for a specific period (typically 12 months). With a Full G license, you can drive without most restrictions. (check the official website for more details)

Driver's Licence Extract

If you have driving experience in your home country and it's at least 2 years, you can skip the G2 and apply for G directly after G1. However, if you fail at G after applying with DL extract, you will have to follow the traditional process, G2 followed by G.

Please check the official website for more details:
<https://www.ontario.ca/document/official-mto-drivers-handbook/getting-your-drivers-licence>

Currency - CAD\$

The official currency of Canada is the Canadian dollar, often denoted as CAD or \$ in currency symbols.

Banknotes - Canadian banknotes are made of a polymer material that is both durable and difficult to counterfeit.

Banknote denominations in Canada:

- \$5 (blue)
- \$10 (purple)
- \$20 (green)
- \$50 (red)
- \$100 (brown)

Each banknote features a portrait of a notable Canadian figure on one side and various symbols and images representing Canada on the reverse side.



Coins:

- 5 cents (nickel)
- 10 cents (dime) (smallest)
- 50 cents (no more in circulation)
- 25 cents (quarter)
- \$1 (loonie) - (100 cents)
- \$2 (toonie)



Printer

We have a printer on the 52nd Floor. You will have to upload documents on Papercut. You already have a \$120 CAD balance in your account. This will be used for your prints and you won't be paying anything while printing. The rate of print per page will depend on the type of print and size of the page.

How to print?

- Go to this website: <https://papercut.northeastern.edu/app?service=page/Home>
- Select 'Web Print'
- Select 'Submit a Job'
- Find and select 'bos3625\PaperCut - 8.5x11 BW (virtual)' this printer
- Click on 'Print Options and Account Selection'
- Type in the number of copies that you want
- Click 'Upload Documents'
- Now, drag and drop or upload file/ files you want to print
- Click 'Upload and Complete'
- On the next 'Web Print' page, check the status of the job that you submitted, and wait for it till it says 'Held in a queue'
- Now, head to the printer, tap your card near the RFID scanner, and wait till you get authenticated (you will see a screen on the printer)
- You will get one more chance to select the documents you want to print and the number of copies you require
- Once you have selected everything, click on 'Print' and see your copies coming out





Computer on Loan

At NEU Toronto, you can get a laptop to use in case your laptop breaks or you temporarily do not have access to one.

All laptops are available for single-day use only on campus. If you require a laptop, you can reserve one up to a week in advance. This will ensure that a laptop is available for you to use on campus on the days you need it. To reserve a laptop, please confirm the dates and contact the Ops Team at: toronto_operations@northeastern.ca. They will assist you in reserving a laptop for your desired dates.

Note - Students can borrow a laptop for more than a day at a time only under exceptional circumstances, usually in case of an emergency.

Upon receiving your loaned laptop, you'll be able to log in using your Northeastern University account credentials. This access allows you to download necessary educational applications and browse websites related to your academic pursuits. However, please keep in mind that all internet and data usage on these laptops will be monitored, so it is strongly advised to use the laptop exclusively for educational purposes.

The laptops provided to students will either be Dell or MacBook, ensuring that you have access to reliable and high-quality devices to support your academic endeavors. This service is aimed at facilitating your learning experience and helping you succeed in your studies at NEU Toronto.

Vending Machine

We have a Vending machine for light snacks and cold drinks/ pop cans. You can either pay with cash or a card. You can find it near the Administrative Office on the 52nd Floor.





Wellness Room

There's a wellness room on 52nd Floor. It's a place perfect to relax and take a breather.





Northeastern is proud to offer this streamlined tool to match Northeastern employer partners and Northeastern learners with co-op, internship openings, and full-time and part-time employment opportunities. More than a million employers have leveraged Symplicity to post jobs, find top talent, and manage on-campus recruiting, and we are proud to join the Symplicity family.

How is NUworks USED?

Northeastern students and alumni who have 0-4 years of work experience can use NUworks to research and apply for internships, co-op, full-time, post-graduation, and project-based (XN) opportunities.

Employers use NUworks to post/promote post-graduation and co-op jobs, review job applications, and manage their participation in career-related events sponsored by Northeastern. An Employer Registration Approval must be submitted and approved prior to posting a job.

Students may access NUworks directly at nuworks.northeastern.edu/students/ or utilize the link on MyNortheastern. NUworks utilizes Northeastern's identity management system and requires an active Student or Alumni account.

Career & Co-op Staff use NUworks to communicate with students, alumni, and employers to promote and manage career-related events sponsored by Northeastern.

How do I get started with NUworks?

The 'Pathways' module provides you with a checklist of recommended steps student should take to prepare for a job search on NUworks.

These steps include:

- Updating your personal profile
- Completing your Career Interests
- Reviewing your privacy settings
- Uploading one or more Resumes
- Publishing a Public Profile
- Downloading the mobile app

Start tracking your progress by clicking [here](#) or find 'Pathways' in the left navigation menu under 'Resources.' Use the 'Getting Started with NUworks' Pathway to track your progress through these steps.



Find@Northeastern - Mental Health support for students at Northeastern

Northeastern
**University Health
and Counseling Services**

Find@Northeastern Mental Health Support for Northeastern Students

What services are available through Find@Northeastern?

- Unlimited free access to confidential support with a licensed mental health clinician over the phone.
- Connection to unlimited free confidential counseling sessions with a therapist in your local area. Virtual and in-person options are available.
- Free access to self-guided mental health tools including [Headspace](#) and [SilverCloud](#). Registration info is available at www.northeastern.edu/uhcs/find-at-northeastern/.

What to expect when you call Find@Northeastern Support Line (877.233.9477 U.S., 855.229.8797 Canada, +1.781.457.7777 International)

- You will be greeted by a phone prompt directing you to press #1 if you are calling about an emergency situation. If not an emergency, you will be asked to stay on the line.
- A licensed master's level mental health clinician will answer the phone saying "Find@Northeastern."
- The clinician will talk with you about your current concerns, provide support, and make recommendations for ongoing care.

If you want to set up unlimited free therapy visits with a counselor, the Find@Northeastern 24/7 clinician will review options and facilitate a referral to:

- Virtual teletherapy visits through Live Health Online (LHO).
- In-person counseling sessions with a therapist who is part of the Anthem provider network.

If you are referred to Live Health Online for virtual teletherapy counseling:

- The Find@Northeastern 24/7 clinician will offer to help you get registered on the LiveHealth Online platform. If preferred, they can send instructions to your email.
- Once registered, you will be able to search for a provider based on your specific preferences.
- If you elect to receive registration instructions via email, you'll receive a link to livehealthonline.com. Click on 'StudentTeletherapy' and follow the instructions outlined.
- You will be able to select a provider by profile (includes information about their clinical approach and background) or by appointment availability.
- You will receive a confirmation email that includes a Coupon Code.
- Five to ten minutes prior to your scheduled appointment, you will receive a reminder email.
- Log in for your appointment and enter the Coupon Code on the payment screen.

If you are referred to face-to-face counseling with a therapist through the Anthem Network:

- The Find@Northeastern 24/7 clinician will send you an email with a short list of therapists who have appointment availability and who best fit the criteria you requested. The email will include a Reference Number and instructions on what to do next.
- You will need to contact the selected therapist to schedule an appointment. Be sure to share your Reference Number to access unlimited free visits.

If you have any further questions or experience any challenges connecting with a therapist:

- Please call Find@Northeastern for assistance (877.233.9477 U.S., 855.229.8797 Canada, +1.781.457.7777 International) for assistance.

Weekend food near NUTO

Our Toronto campus downtown, and not everything is open on the weekend. Here are a few places you can go to eat on weekends near campus



Weekend Food Options Near NUTO Campus

Name	Address	Hours
Tim Horton's	18 King St E Suite 105	Sat & Sun: 6am - 11pm
Tim Horton's	55 York St	Sat & Sun: 5am - 10pm
Hero Certified Burgers	79A Yonge St	Sat & Sun: 10am-4:30am
Subway	60 Yonge St Unit 65	Sat & Sun: 9am - 12am
Subway	33 University Ave Unit 2	Sat: 9am - 11:30pm, Sun: 9am - 10pm
Chipotle	123 Front St W Unit 103	Sat & Sun: 10:45am - 10pm
Pizzeria Libretto	155 University Ave	Sat: 12pm - 10pm, Sun: 5pm - 10pm
Starbucks	4 King St W	Sat & Sun: 6:30am - 8pm
Burrito Boyz	224 Adelaide St W	Sat: 12pm - 3:30pm, Sun: 12pm - 9pm
Chaska Indian Street Food	218 Adelaide St W	Sat: 11am - 10pm, Sun: 11am - 8pm
Smoke's Poutinerie	218 Adelaide St W	Sat: 11am - 4am, Sun: 11am - 11pm
The Burger's Priest	212 Adelaide St W	Sat: 11am - 4am, Sun: 11am - 12am
Pi Co (pizza)	170 University Ave	Sat: 11am - 12am, Sun: 11:30am - 10pm
Eaton Centre Food Court	220 Yonge St	Sat & Sun: 11am - 7pm
South St Burger	360 Bay St	Sat & Sun: 11am - 8pm
Box'd by Paramount	4 King St W Suite 102	Sat & Sun: 11am - 9pm
Chipotle	4 King St W Suite 103	Sat & Sun: 10:45am - 10pm
Freshii	154 University Ave	Sat & Sun: 12pm - 8pm
Tres Compadres	212 King St W	Sat & Sun: 11am - 12am
Pizzaiole	104 Yonge St	Sat: 11am - 11pm, Sun: 11am - 10pm
The Poke Box	36 Toronto St	Sat & Sun: 11:30am - 7pm
Sansotei Ramen	30 Adelaide St E	Sat & Sun: 12pm - 9pm



The PATH is a vast network of underground pedestrian walkways, tunnels, and corridors that connect various buildings, offices, shopping centers, hotels, and transportation hubs in downtown Toronto. It's designed to provide an alternative route for pedestrians, especially during extreme weather conditions like winter when the streets can be cold and snowy.

Key Points about the PATH

Extensive Network - The PATH is one of the largest underground walkway systems in the world, covering over 30 kilometers (about 19 miles) of interconnected pathways.

Access Points - You can access the PATH from various points in downtown Toronto, including major office buildings, shopping malls, transit stations, and street-level entrances.

Climate-Controlled - One of the main advantages of the PATH is that it's climate-controlled. This means that during the cold winter months or rainy days, you can comfortably walk between destinations without having to face the elements.

Navigation - The PATH can be a bit labyrinthine, with many twists, turns, and intersections. However, it's well-signed with directional signs and maps to help you find your way. Additionally, there are PATH ambassadors stationed throughout the network to assist newcomers and tourists.

Hours of Operation - The PATH is typically open during regular business hours on weekdays, with some sections closed during evenings and weekends. It's primarily used by people commuting to work in the downtown core.

How Can Newcomers Use the PATH?

Navigation - When you arrive in downtown Toronto, you can inquire about the PATH at the nearest transit station or ask locals for directions. Look for PATH entrance signs, which are usually marked with a distinctive yellow logo.

Covered Routes - The PATH can be particularly helpful for newcomers during the winter months when you can avoid cold weather by using the interconnected pathways. You can use it to access shopping centers, restaurants, and transportation hubs without having to go outdoors.

Discovering Toronto - The PATH also provides opportunities to explore various parts of downtown Toronto without worrying about the weather. You can discover shops, eateries, and cultural attractions hidden beneath the city's streets.

Safety - While the PATH is generally safe, like any urban environment, it's essential to be aware of your surroundings and take standard safety precautions, especially during off-peak hours.

The PATH can be an invaluable resource for newcomers in Toronto, making it easier to navigate the city, stay comfortable in extreme weather, and explore various amenities and services. As a newcomer, familiarizing yourself with this underground network can enhance your experience in the downtown area.



Software Access

One of the awesome benefits of being a student is the free or significantly discounted access to software. Through Northeastern, you can find all sorts of programs from Microsoft, Adobe, IBM, VMware and more. Additionally, you get free Symantec anti-virus software!

Microsoft Office365 Pro Plus

Active Northeastern students are able to download the latest version of Microsoft Office for free. You may download and install the full suite of applications on up to five computers for personal use. To sign in to Office365, you need to use your Husky ID username – not your Husky e-mail – followed by @northeastern.edu (username@northeastern.edu) and your standard Husky ID password.



GLS - Global Lerner Support

Global Learner Support (GLS) serves all learners, educators, and community members across Northeastern University's global campus network. Their mission is to provide learners with high-quality language, cultural, and academic support while promoting the development of intercultural competence and global understanding.

Check their website for more information: <https://gls.northeastern.edu/>

Tutoring

GLS offers 1-to-1 tutorials focusing on English conversation, pronunciation, academic/professional writing, academic presentation, and TOEFL/IELTS/CELP/IP exam preparation. If you are interested in discussing issues that impact our lives locally and globally, join Global Topics for Global Learners, a weekly session with NU learners across the network.

1. Learners are welcome to make three 1:1 tutoring appointments per week. In-person tutorials can be made up to three hours in advance and online tutorials can be made at any time. Back-to-back appointments are not allowed. When making an appointment, please use your Northeastern University email.

2. Cancellation Policy: If you are unable to attend your appointment, please cancel it at least three hours in advance. For last-minute emergencies, please contact your tutor directly. If you are late to your appointment by more than 15 minutes, it will be marked as a missed appointment. After two missed appointments, you will be contacted by Global Learner Support.

3. Please come to your appointment with material or questions you would like to cover during the session. It is preferred that you use camera and microphone technology to enhance engagement for virtual appointments.



GLS - Global Lerner Support

Workshops

Their workshops provide learners with the opportunity to explore topics related to culture, language, and academia. Workshops are led by GLS staff as well as other Northeastern University community members and are offered year-round.

Cultural Activities

Cultural activities provide learners with the opportunity to explore local and global cultures with other students, faculty, and staff through outings and virtual sessions.

Courses

Global Learner Support courses provide learners with opportunities to improve their language and communication skills. They are currently offering courses that will enhance academic presentation, collaboration, and writing skills for both academic and professional settings. Their courses are offered year-round and are free for Northeastern University students.

Global Village

Global Village provides NU global learners with a safe and inclusive space to share their stories, talents, and cultural experiences while enhancing global understanding, overcoming cultural boundaries, and inspiring lasting relationships.

SIG - Student Interest Groups

A Student Interest Group, or SIG, is a group of students who have agreed to come together around a specific topic of interest. SIGs are not recognized as official student clubs by the student government body at Northeastern University (Boston). They are student groups that are started and ratified on the Toronto regional campus. The Student Services office will keep a list of all currently ratified SIGs and their Officers.

NUPM Toronto

NUPM Toronto Student Organization promotes student success and offers a wide range of learning opportunities for Project Management graduate students. We are committed to developing overall student engagement and connecting project management communities.

NUPM Toronto



CMAA Toronto

MAA- Northeastern University Toronto Student Chapter aims to provide students with hands-on skill-building and professional development opportunities to strengthen their knowledge and network in the construction management field in Ontario.



SIG - Student Interest Groups

NURA Toronto

NURA Toronto Student Community's mission is to enrich the professional development of Regulatory Affairs graduate students by connecting with the industry, conducting interactive sessions, and providing peer support.



Spotlight Arts & Cultural Club

Spotlight Arts and Cultural Club aims to nurture and showcase the hidden talents of the NU Toronto student community, honour and celebrate diversity, and add more joy to the student experience through art in its various forms.



NU Toronto Photo Club

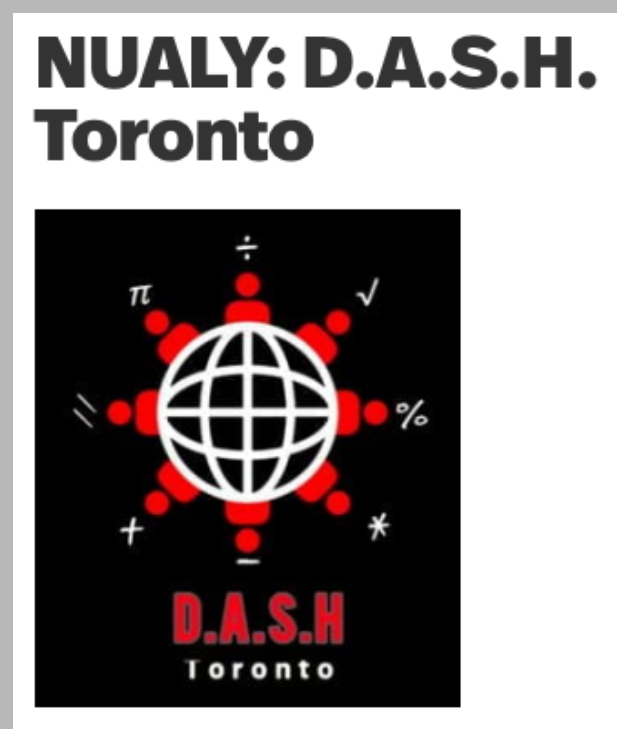
The NU Toronto Photo Club allows members of the student community to maximize their university experience in Canada by fostering their shared passion for photography and bringing them together to capture moments and explore new scenic areas through the camera lens.



SIG - Student Interest Groups

NUALY: D.A.S.H. Toronto

The NUALY: Data Analytics Society for Huskies (D.A.S.H.) student organization has a motto of “Huskies4Huskies” and offers a steppingstone for Analytics students to many future volunteering experiences at the graduate level and an opportunity to experience a startup environment. Together, D.A.S.H. is “solving the professional puzzle”!



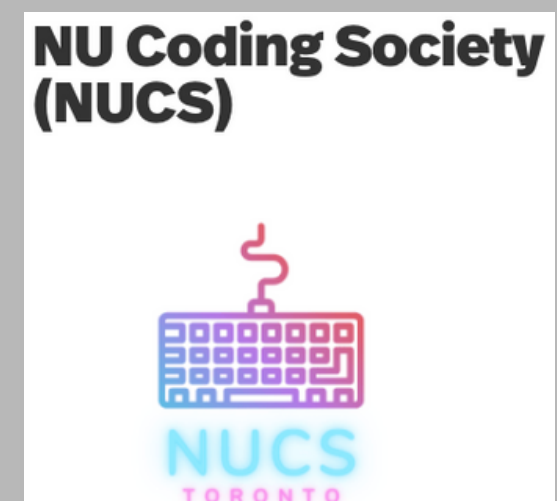
Toronto Book and Movie Club

NU Toronto’s Book and Movie Club is a thriving community that gathers book and movie lovers together to share their interests and build reading and speaking skills while connecting with their peers.



NUCS - NU Coding Society

The goal of NUCS is to teach the NU Toronto student community about programming through a variety of informative and fun events. Through our efforts, we hope that all students will enjoy programming, sharpen their skills, and be able to use these skills in the workplace.



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G.O.A.T. Sports & Recreation Club

The G.O.A.T. (Games Of All Types) Sports & Rec. Club aims to provide students with access to a variety of sports and recreational activities to encourage physical and mental well-being. We will focus on teaching values such as teambuilding and discipline while promoting a sense of inclusion, respect, and fairness.



NU-T Iranian Club

Our mission: To create a welcoming environment to connect and encourage interaction among Iranian students, faculty, and alumni; to share our experiences and support one another to better integrate into Canadian culture; and to organize inclusive activities and cultural events that celebrate diversity and unity.



NU Toronto African Students' Association

Our mission is to provide a forum to celebrate the diversity embodied in Africa through cultural events, educational seminars, and community outreach programs, and share the culture with African students and the NU Toronto community.

NU Toronto African Students' Association



SIG - Student Interest Groups

Adventure Group

Adventure Group aims to bring students together to share ideas, and plan and execute various outdoor activities to help build connections, leadership skills, and encourage team building.



NU Investment Club Toronto (NUICT)

Our mission is to promote financial awareness amongst NU students and familiarize them with banking, money management and financial tools in North America. We aim to share knowledge on financial literacy and the application of various financial skills.

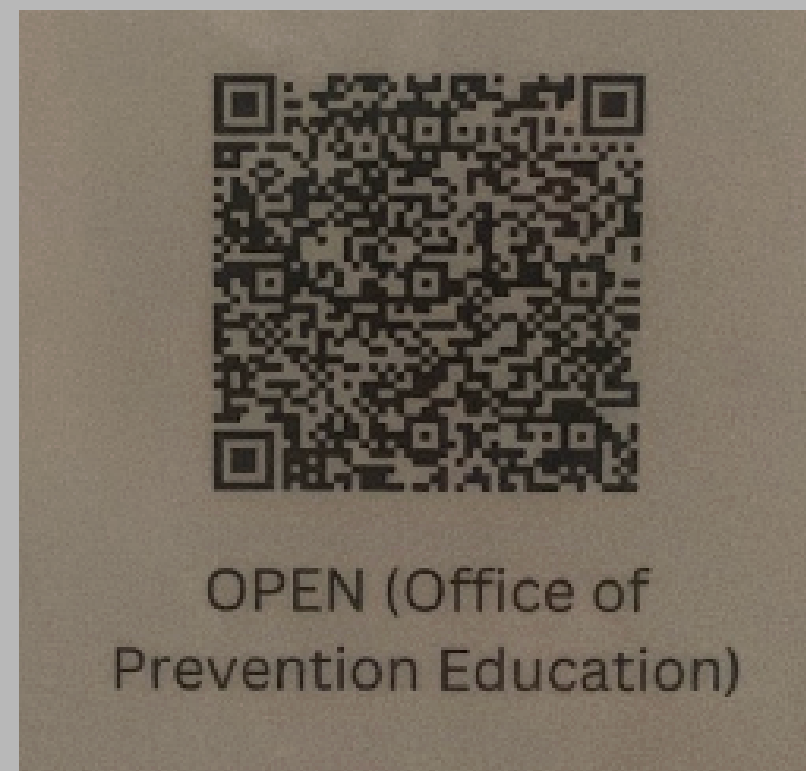
NU Investment Club Toronto (NUICT)



Other Important resources

Check this website for more useful resources:
<https://studentlifetoronto.sites.northeastern.edu/>

Use the below QR codes whenever required:





Places to visit

CN Tower: The CN Tower is one of Toronto's most iconic landmarks and a must-visit attraction. Standing at 553 meters tall, it offers breathtaking views of the city and surrounding area. Visitors can take an elevator to the top of the tower's observation deck and enjoy panoramic views, dine at the 360 Restaurant, or take part in the EdgeWalk experience, where they can walk outside the tower's main pod while harnessed to an overhead rail.

Royal Ontario Museum: The Royal Ontario Museum (ROM) is one of Canada's largest and most renowned museums. It features over six million artifacts and exhibits covering everything from natural history to world cultures. Visitors can marvel at dinosaur skeletons, explore ancient Egyptian artifacts, and discover art and culture from around the world.

Kensington Market: Kensington Market is a vibrant and eclectic neighborhood located in the heart of Toronto. It's known for its colorful street art, vintage shops, and diverse food scene. Visitors can wander through the market's narrow streets and alleys, sample international cuisine from local food stalls and restaurants, and browse unique shops selling everything from handmade jewelry to vintage clothing.

The Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO): The AGO is one of Canada's most renowned art museums and offers free admission to its collection galleries every Wednesday evening from 6 to 9 pm. The museum features a vast collection of Canadian and international art, including works by the Group of Seven, Pablo Picasso, and Auguste Rodin.

Harbourfront Centre: The Harbourfront Centre is a vibrant cultural hub located on the shores of Lake Ontario. The centre offers free public events and festivals throughout the year, including music concerts, film screenings, art exhibitions, and more. Visitors can also enjoy scenic views of the lake and take a stroll along the waterfront.

High Park: High Park is one of Toronto's largest and most popular parks, offering a range of free activities and attractions. Visitors can explore the park's numerous trails and gardens, picnic by the pond, and visit the High Park Zoo, which is home to a variety of animals, including llamas, peacocks, and bison. The park also features several playgrounds and a large outdoor swimming pool.



Places to visit

The Distillery District: The Distillery District is a pedestrian-only village located in downtown Toronto. The district features over 40 heritage buildings that once housed a large whiskey distillery. Today, the district is a popular destination for visitors and locals alike, with numerous art galleries, boutique shops, and restaurants. Visitors can take a stroll through the district's cobblestone streets and enjoy the unique architecture and historic ambiance.

Graffiti Alley: Graffiti Alley is a vibrant outdoor gallery located in the Queen West neighborhood of Toronto. It's home to some of the city's most impressive street art, with colorful murals and graffiti covering the walls of the alley. Visitors can take a self-guided tour and marvel at the intricate designs and powerful messages of the artwork.

The Ontario Science Centre: The Ontario Science Centre is a popular science museum located in midtown Toronto. The museum features interactive exhibits, live demonstrations, and hands-on activities that explore science, technology, and innovation. Admission to the Science Centre is free on the third Friday of every month from 4 to 8 pm.

The Aga Khan Museum: The Aga Khan Museum is a cultural institution dedicated to the art and culture of the Islamic world. The museum features a collection of over 1,000 artifacts, including rare manuscripts, textiles, ceramics, and paintings. Admission to the museum is free on Wednesday evenings from 4 to 8 pm.

Toronto Islands: The Toronto Islands are a chain of islands located just off the coast of downtown Toronto. Visitors can take a short ferry ride to the islands and enjoy scenic views of the city skyline, sandy beaches, and lush parks. While some activities on the islands, such as amusement park rides and boat rentals, may have fees, visitors can enjoy the natural beauty of the islands for free.

The Bata Shoe Museum: The Bata Shoe Museum is a unique museum dedicated to the history and culture of footwear. The museum features a collection of over 13,000 shoes and related artifacts, including ancient Egyptian sandals, Chinese bound foot shoes, and contemporary designer footwear. Admission to the museum is free on Thursday evenings from 5 to 8 pm.



Group Activities

Escape Rooms: Toronto is home to many escape room facilities, which offer a fun and challenging group activity. In an escape room, a group of people are locked in a themed room and must solve puzzles, riddles, and clues to escape before time runs out. Popular escape rooms in Toronto include Escape Games Canada, Escape Casa Loma, and Trapped Toronto.

Zero Latency: Zero Latency Toronto is an immersive virtual reality gaming experience like no other. Located in the heart of Toronto, this cutting-edge facility offers a unique blend of advanced technology and thrilling gameplay. Participants are equipped with state-of-the-art VR headsets and motion-tracking gear, allowing them to step into fully immersive virtual worlds where they can cooperate or compete with friends and family. What sets Zero Latency Toronto apart is its commitment to providing a seamless and lag-free experience, ensuring that players can fully immerse themselves in the action without any noticeable delays. With a variety of game scenarios to choose from, Zero Latency Toronto offers an adrenaline-pumping adventure for both novice and experienced gamers, making it a must-visit destination for those seeking the ultimate virtual reality experience in the city.

Archery Circuit: This is a thrilling and safe activity that combines elements of archery with dodgeball, where participants use foam-tipped arrows to tag opponents.

K1 Speed Toronto: Located in Downsview Park, K1 Speed Toronto is an indoor electric go-kart facility. It offers a high-performance karting experience with electric karts, providing a quiet and eco-friendly racing environment. They have adult and junior kart options and provide a challenging indoor track.

401 Mini-Indy Go-Karts: Located in Etobicoke, 401 Mini-Indy Go-Karts offers an outdoor go-karting experience with a twisty and challenging track. They have gas-powered karts suitable for both adults and juniors. This facility is great for those who prefer an outdoor racing experience.

Formula Kartways: This indoor go-karting facility in Brampton features a state-of-the-art track and electric karts. They offer various race packages and are known for their competitive racing atmosphere. Formula Kartways also hosts corporate events and group outings.



Canadian Cuisine:

Canadian cuisine is a reflection of the country's diverse cultural influences, and Toronto is home to many restaurants that specialize in this cuisine. *Poutineville* is a popular spot for locals and tourists alike, serving delicious poutine dishes with various toppings. *The Drake Hotel* is another great option for Canadian cuisine, offering a range of dishes made with local and seasonal ingredients. For a more upscale dining experience, The Carbon Bar is known for their smoked meats and seafood, as well as their craft cocktails.

Chinese Cuisine:

Toronto's Chinatown is one of the largest in North America, and there are many Chinese restaurants throughout the city. *Lee Garden* is a popular choice for dim sum and Cantonese cuisine, while *Lai Wah Heen* is known for its high-end Chinese dishes and dim sum. For a more casual experience, *Rol San* is a popular spot for late-night dim sum and affordable Chinese dishes.

Indian Cuisine:

Toronto has a large South Asian population, and there are many Indian restaurants in the city. *Little India* is a popular destination for Indian cuisine, serving up classic dishes like various chicken curries and naan. *Banjara* is known for its flavorful curries and biryanis, while *Amaya Express* is a great option for fast-casual Indian food with a modern twist.

Japanese Cuisine:

Toronto has a thriving Japanese food scene, with many restaurants specializing in sushi, ramen, and other Japanese dishes. *Kinka Izakaya* is a lively and fun spot for Japanese pub food, such as takoyaki and karaage. *Ramen Isshin* is known for its delicious ramen bowls, while *Miku Toronto* offers a more upscale experience with its sushi and seafood dishes.

Italian Cuisine:

Toronto has a vibrant Italian food scene, with many restaurants specializing in traditional Italian dishes. *Terroni* is a popular choice for authentic Italian food, serving up classics like Neapolitan-style pizza and house-made pasta. *Buca* is another highly-rated Italian restaurant, offering a range of dishes inspired by different regions of Italy.



Mexican Cuisine:

Toronto has many restaurants serving up Mexican dishes, such as tacos, burritos, and guacamole. *El Catrin* is a popular destination for Mexican food in Toronto, offering a range of dishes with a modern twist. *La Carnita* is known for its creative taco offerings and tasty cocktails, while *Barrio Cerveceria* is a great spot for casual Mexican food and craft beer.

Jamaican Cuisine

For Jamaican cuisine, one of the most popular spots is *Rasta Pasta*, located in Kensington Market. This restaurant serves up traditional Jamaican dishes like jerk chicken, curry goat, and ackee and saltfish. Another Jamaican restaurant to try is *Chubby's Jamaican Kitchen*, located on Portland Street, which offers a fusion of Caribbean flavors with contemporary twists.

Korean Cuisine:

Korean cuisine is also popular in Toronto, with many restaurants specializing in Korean BBQ, bibimbap, and other Korean dishes. One popular Korean restaurant is *Korean Village Restaurant*, located in the Christie Pits area. This restaurant has been serving traditional Korean dishes for over 40 years and is known for its generous portions and reasonable prices. Another Korean restaurant to try is *Kang Ho Dong Baekjeong*, which is known for its high-quality meats and lively atmosphere.

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Campus



Campus Location

Located at 4 N. 2nd Street in the heart of downtown San Jose, the Silicon Valley campus is a newly renovated, state-of-the-art facility. It features multimedia classrooms, breakout spaces for group collaboration, a recreation center and game room. Our faculty of industry experts instruct in a technology-focused portfolio of degree and certificate programs aligned with regional needs.

These programs offer working professionals an education tailored for today's workforce, with an emphasis on flexibility, experiential learning, and growth opportunities in emerging and innovative fields.

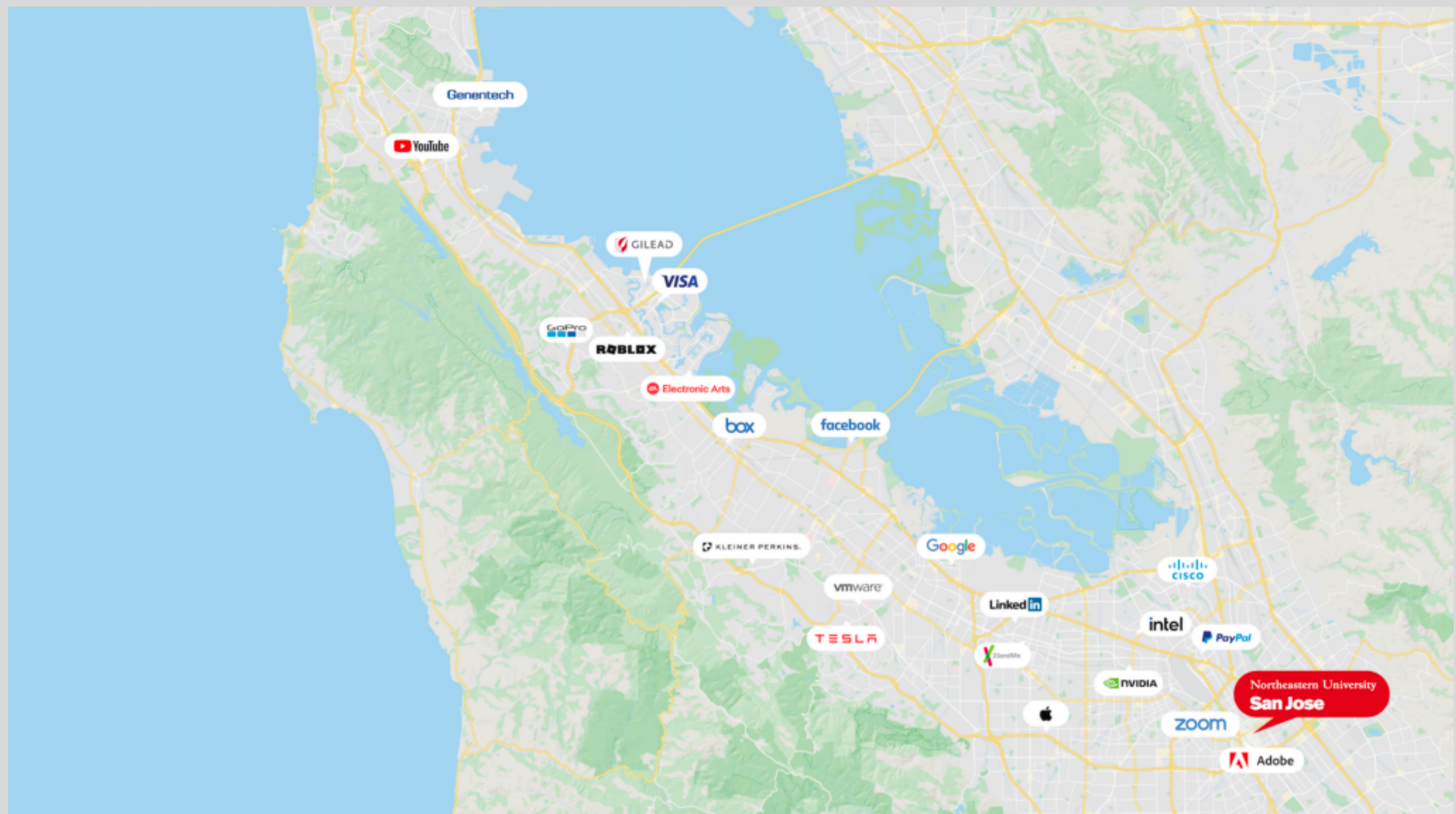
If you'd like to visit, please book an appointment for a tour.

Book a tour: <https://shorturl.at/ajP35>

Campus Address:
75 E Santa Clara St.
4 N 2nd St.
San Jose, CA 95113

Reception & Visitors:
Welcome Center, Suite 150
75 E. Santa Clara St. Tower (Entrance on 2nd St,
from the walkway between the two buildings)

Classrooms:
4 N 2nd St. Tower
9th & 10th Floors



Access to Campus

Silicon Valley students, faculty, and staff are equipped with badges to access the campus and building amenities. Badges will be provided to students prior to their program start date and to faculty and staff during onboarding.

Please contact the front desk at 408.707.3695 if you have not yet picked up your access badge or cannot locate it when you arrive. If campus staff is not immediately available, please reach out to the Harvest Properties security team at 408.286.6024 and identify yourself with your name and affiliation.

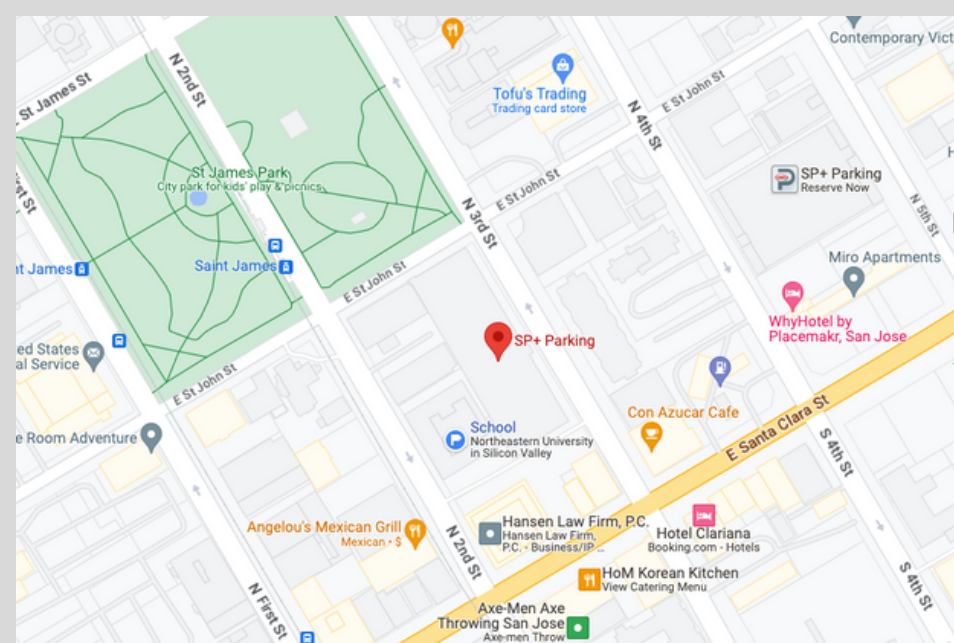
Parking

For those driving to the Northeastern University San Jose Campus, the closest parking garage is located at 95 N. Third Street, between St. John and Santa Clara streets. The garage is adjacent to the campus, and its exits are located in the southwest corner of both the ground and second levels. Please note that the ground and basement levels are reserved spaces and unavailable to Northeastern community members. To park in the garage, you may park on the second floor or above in a space that does not have a reserved or restricted parking sign.

Please be aware that parking fees are not covered or reimbursable by Northeastern University. For information regarding hours of operation, rates, and other nearby parking garages, please visit the ParkSJ website at <https://parksj.org/>.

ParkSJ Fourth & St. John Garage
50 N 4th St, San Jose, CA 95112, with 1112 spaces available.

On weekdays from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., the rate after the first 90 minutes of free parking is \$1 per 15 minutes, up to a maximum rate of \$25. On weekdays from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays, the rate after the first 90 minutes of free parking is \$1 per 15 minutes, up to a maximum rate of \$10.



Public Transportation

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) provides bus and light rail services locally, while the Altamont Corridor Express (ACE), Amtrak, Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), and Caltrain offer transportation throughout the greater Bay Area region and Northern California.

For detailed information on the transit systems in the region, please visit the following websites:



Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA): www.vta.org



Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART): www.bart.gov



Caltrain: www.caltrain.com



Altamont Corridor Express (ACE): www.acerail.com



Amtrak: www.amtrak.com

Remember to get your Clipper Card for seamless travel across Bay Area transit systems! You can purchase a Clipper Card at <https://www.clippercard.com/ClipperWeb/>.



If you're traveling to the Silicon Valley Campus via public transportation, here are some recommended routes:

From Oakland or Berkeley: Take BART to Fremont Station, then transfer to the VTA bus line 181 towards San Jose State University and get off at the San Carlos & Market Station. Walk east on West San Carlos Street, and the campus will be on your right.

From Fremont: Take the VTA bus line 181 towards San Jose State University and get off at the San Carlos & Market Station. Walk east on West San Carlos Street, and the campus will be on your right.

From San Jose Diridon Station: Take the VTA light rail (Blue line) towards Santa Teresa and get off at the Convention Center station. Walk east on West San Carlos Street, and the campus will be on your left.

From Mountain View Caltrain Station: Take the VTA bus line 522 towards San Jose Civic Center and get off at the San Carlos & Market Station. Walk east on West San Carlos Street, and the campus will be on your right.

From Milpitas Transit Center: Take the VTA bus line 66 towards Winchester Transit Center and get off at the Santa Clara & Market Station. Walk north on North Market Street, and the campus will be on your left.

From Palo Alto Caltrain Station: Take the VTA bus line 522 towards San Jose Civic Center and get off at the San Carlos & Market Station. Walk east on West San Carlos Street, and the campus will be on your right.

Please note that these routes may involve multiple transfers and longer travel times, so it's important to plan accordingly and check the transit agency's website or app for the most up-to-date information.

You can also take Lyft or Uber to the campus, but please note that this option may be more costly. We recommend downloading these ride-sharing apps beforehand if you plan to use them.



Campus Facilities and Services

Wi-Fi Access

To connect to the campus Wi-Fi, use NUware and log in with your myNortheastern username and password. For any queries, you can call the NU Help Desk at (617)-373-HELP or refer to the IT Services webpage at www.northeastern.edu/its/services/networks/nunet for further details.

Please note that for classrooms in the building of 75 E Santa Clara Tower, you can use WeWork-guest Wi-Fi, which does not require Northeastern login credentials. However, please be aware that the network is not secured or encrypted when using guest Wi-Fi.

Printing Services

You can access printers on the 10th floor of 4 N. 2nd Street with your Husky Card. To start printing, refer to the manual on the side of the printing area or click to view the printer installation instructional video for Mac (https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0013827) or for PC (https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0013749&sys_kb_id=60bae44887a35954e247eb5e0ebb355b&spa=1).

Each year, students are provided with a limited amount of free printing. At the beginning of the academic year, students receive a \$120 printing credit on their Husky Cards. You can check the balance of your credit on Student Hub under "Husky Card" and "Grad Stdnt PrintBucks". Please note that this annual credit does not roll over from year to year.

The cost of printing is \$0.10 per page for black and white, and \$0.30 per page for color. The cost of printing is automatically deducted from the student's printing credits.

Meeting Rooms & Huddle Spaces

To reserve a meeting room or huddle space please visit a member of our operations team in the Welcome Center (75 E. Santa Clara Street suite 150) or contact us via email at bayarea@northeastern.edu or by phone at 408.707.3695.

Study Spaces

There are various open study spaces, individual "phonebooths," and reservable rooms for you to use on a first-come-first-serve basis. If you need to reserve a room for a group project, SIG meeting, or other purposes, please see the Operations staff on the 10th floor of the 4 N. 2nd Street building. Reminder: be careful not to leave your items unattended. Northeastern cannot be held responsible for personal belongings.

Lounge Area

Our partnership with Harvest Property Management gives us access to the common outdoor patio area located on the ground floor of 75 E. Santa Clara Street on a first come first served basis. *

Bike Storage

Bike storage is available on the ground level of both buildings and is available on a first come first served basis. Please provide your means of securing your bike, as Northeastern is not responsible for any lost or stolen items on campus, including but not limited to bicycles.

Fitness Center*

Our community also has access to the fitness center on the ground floor of 75 E. Santa Clara Street. The fitness center is fully equipped with showers, gender-inclusive bathrooms, and an array of equipment and is open Monday - Friday from 8 am - 10 pm.**

Game Room*

On the ground floor of 75 E. Santa Clara, we also have a game room available for use on a first come first served basis, open Monday - Friday from 8 am - 6 pm**

*Please contact an operations team member to sign the Amenity waiver and activate your access card.

** Hours are subject to change

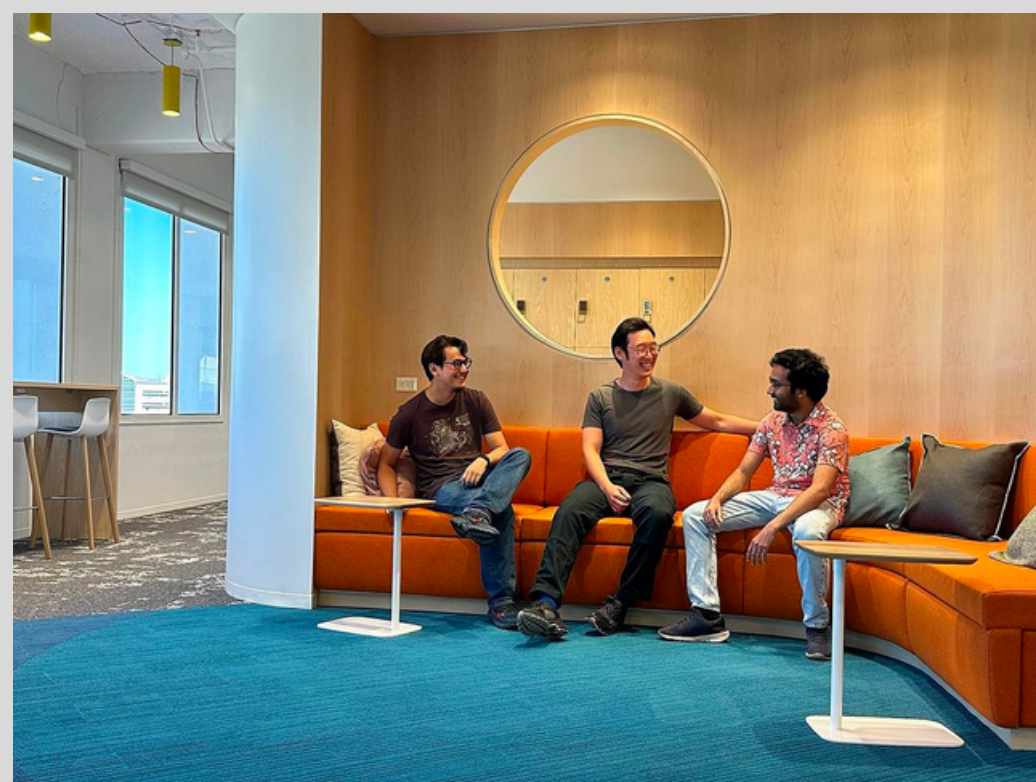
Security

Northeastern University Campus floors are monitored by VP Security Services during regular campus hours. They can be reached by phone at 669.234.0062 or 669.234.0091 and are available for escorts within a one-block radius of campus.

Building security is available 24/7 and can be reached at 408.268.6024 for escorts within a one-block radius or other building-related emergencies after hours.

Lost & Found Items

Please report any item found to the front desk located in the Welcome Center located on the first floor of 75 E. Santa Clara Street. Lost and found items will be on hold on the 10th floor 4 N 2nd St. Building, Administration section for one week. If no one claims the item after one week, the item will be donated or disposed of. The San Jose campus is not liable for any lost items.



Student Life



Student Resources

Student Services

The Student Services and Student Ambassador Team are here to help you have the best experience possible as a learner on our SF and Silicon Valley campuses. If you need assistance with anything related to the student experience.

Career Development & Experiential Learning

Career Development supports San Francisco and Silicon Valley students scholars in preparation for career and professional areas. This includes support with creating and updating your resume and professional online profiles, enhancing your personal brand to highlight individual achievements and projects, and hosting events with alumni, employers, and people working in industry. The Career Development team works closely with the regional and national Partnerships teams to share opportunities for internships/co-ops and full time jobs. To learn more, please visit the website (<https://northeastern.sharepoint.com/sites/sfbacareerdev>).

Global Learner Support

Global Learner Support (GLS) serves all students, scholars, faculty, and staff across Northeastern University's global campus network. Our mission is to provide learners with high-quality language, cultural, and academic support while promoting the development of intercultural competence and global understanding.

GLS hosts a variety of workshops and cultural activities and offers 1:1 tutorials in the areas of academic and professional writing, APA/MLA citation, academic presentations, English conversation, & TOEFL/IELTS preparation.

To make a tutoring appointment, please visit the website (<https://gls.northeastern.edu/gls-tutoring/>). You may also contact us at globalleadersupport@northeastern.edu .

International Student Services

The Office of Global Services(<https://international.northeastern.edu/ogs/>) is committed to being an active resource to the university's community of international students, scholars, and their families. OGS provides professional expertise and support from the time of admission to beyond graduation.

San Francisco and Silicon Valley students needing support with issues regarding F-1 student status, I-20 requests, travel, EAD cards, and other international status related questions or concerns, please email ogssfsv@northeastern.edu.

Campus Events and Activities

Events

Events on this page are organized by our Student Services team, SIGs, and campus staff. Please check each event for specific contact information. Events are held year-round, and registration (if required) is through the Northeastern events calendar.

Northeastern University Event Calendar

<https://calendar.northeastern.edu/>

Events in San Jose Campus and San Francisco Campus

<https://studentlife.bayarea.northeastern.edu/events/>

Cultural Activities by Global Learning Support

<https://gls.northeastern.edu/cultural-activities/>

Programs

We host longer-term, more in-depth programs focused on a variety of topics, including community involvement, cultural learning, self-care, leadership exploration and professional development. We host events, workshops, panel discussions and additional student activities that support student success and learning within each of the program areas.

Community Engagement

We empower Northeastern students to become active and responsible contributors to the local and campus communities by fostering collaborative relationships and partnerships that connect, educate, and engage people and organizations throughout our network.

Learning more about the community you live in helps you to build a better understanding of local and regional needs. With community engagement, students gain a deeper understanding of how organizations in the Bay Area approach a social issue(s) in support of their communities, and enhance professional development through hands on experience.

Culture & Identity

Our students come from a vast range of backgrounds that add to the value of the #NUexperience. From around the world to right here in the Bay Area, students showcase cultural perspectives and innovative solutions on a daily basis through experiential learning within inclusive spaces of advocacy and equity.

Through heritage month programming, cultural celebrations, equity advocacy events and much more, students can feel confident in expressing their own authenticity with others.

Health & Wellness

We know that college can be a stressful time filled with academics, work responsibilities, family obligations and personal needs, all on top of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our goal is to ensure students are provided and connected to the right resources to help navigate self care, mental health and developing personalized healthy habits.

Through health and wellness the focus is on the students overall personal wellbeing while studying. Students are guided towards resources and programs that help prioritize self care during trying times.

Professional & Leadership Development

Being a student isn't just about academic rigor. We provide opportunities to enhance professional and leadership skills that compliment your career goals and personal aspirations.

Professional and leadership development is a key part of the student experience, where skills building, career preparation and understanding leadership diversity help compliment your academics. We host a range of panel discussion and fireside chats with tech industry professionals to offer you insights and advice. Additionally, students have opportunities to explore the diversity of leadership with peers in the Bay Area and across the Northeastern network and make connections to professional skills building.

Student Interest Group

What is a Student Interest Group?

A Student Interest Group, or SIG, is a group of students who have agreed to come together around a specific topic of interest. SIGs are not recognized as official student clubs by the student government body at Northeastern University. They are student groups that are started and ratified on the campuses of San Francisco and/or San Jose. The Student Services office will keep a list of all currently ratified SIGs and their Officers.

Check how to join a student interest group or start a student interest group:

<https://studentlife.bayarea.northeastern.edu/student-interest-groups/>

Active Student Interest Groups



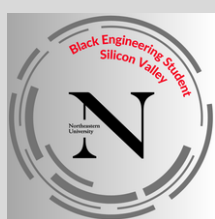
Adobe Club at Northeastern

The Adobe Club is dedicated to providing a platform for students to explore, experiment, and excel in the world of digital creativity.



ACM-W NEU, Silicon Valley

Silicon Valley Campus ACM-W student chapter aims to build a supportive community for women in all aspects of the computing field.



Black Engineering Students Society SV

The BESS mission is to form a network for and solidarity among student engineers to ensure that they would stay in the field.



Google Developer Student Club

Build real-world solutions for real-world problems with direct access to Google related resources like free courses, workshops, and Google Experts.



The Multimedia Information Group (MIG)

The Multimedia Information Group (MIG) is for students interested in Data Science and Machine Learning research and is a platform to be aware of the ongoing research on campus, understand the research process, and encourage proposals and participation in new projects.



NU PWR: Professional Womxn's Roundtable

Our mission is to support NU womxn (students, staff, faculty) by providing a safe, encouraging and useful space for womxn to share ideas, teach and develop skills across disciplines.



NU XR: Extended Reality

NuXR's mission is to create awareness about XR(Extended reality – AR/MR/VR) , help and encourage students to start development in the XR space.



Public Interest Technology Group

We are a forum for students to engage in conversations, academic inquiries, and experiential learning opportunities at the intersection of technology and society.



Silicon Valley Hackers Club

Silicon Valley Hackers Club is a dynamic and passionate community of like-minded individuals who share a common interest in software development. Whether you're an enthusiastic beginner or a seasoned expert, our club offers a platform to learn, collaborate, and thrive.



Living in Silicon Valley



Housing

House Types and Costs

There is a wide range of rental options available for both single and shared living in and around San Jose, as well as throughout Silicon Valley. Many students opt for studio or one-bedroom apartments in residential buildings. Additionally, it is common for individuals to rent rooms in single-family houses where they share the kitchen and living areas with other tenants.

The average rents for apartments and houses in downtown San Jose (as of September 2021):

Studio apartments: from \$2,200 to \$2,800 per month.

One-bedroom apartments: from \$2,500 to \$3,500 per month.

Two-bedroom apartments: from \$3,000 to \$4,500 per month.

Single-family houses: from \$4,000 to \$6,000 per month.

If you commute to school by car and are considering renting an apartment or house in cities near San Jose, here are some average rent references for your consideration:

Mountain View: Mountain View is located approximately 12 miles northwest of San Jose. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Mountain View ranges from \$3,000 to \$3,500 per month.

Santa Clara: Santa Clara is located adjacent to San Jose. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Santa Clara ranges from \$2,500 to \$3,000 per month.

Sunnyvale: Sunnyvale is situated approximately 8 miles west of San Jose. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Sunnyvale ranges from \$2,800 to \$3,200 per month.

Cupertino: Cupertino is located approximately 11 miles west of San Jose. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Cupertino ranges from \$3,200 to \$3,800 per month.

Milpitas: Milpitas is situated approximately 10 miles north of San Jose. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Milpitas ranges from \$2,500 to \$3,000 per month.

Kickstart your housing search

To kickstart your housing search, it is recommended to visit the Off-Campus Housing and Support Services website (<https://offcampus.sites.northeastern.edu/beyond-boston/>). This valuable resource provides useful information and tools to assist you during your housing search. The website offers guidance on what to consider when looking for a place to live, and it also provides support services. Off-Campus Housing and Support Services can review lease contracts, address concerns with landlords, answer questions about renter's rights, and help resolve issues such as subletting or roommate conflicts that may arise while living off campus. Their expertise ensures that you have the necessary resources and support to navigate the off-campus housing experience with confidence.

Helpful Links:

Apartment Hunting Checklist: <https://cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/sites.northeastern.edu/dist/1/555/files/2020/09/OCHSS-UPDATED-apartment-hunting-checklist-2019-new-logo.pdf>

Relocate to Silicon Valley: <https://offcampus.sites.northeastern.edu/silicon-valley/>

Emergency Information&Procedures

There is 24/7 on-site security with video monitoring and security patrols. The San Jose Police Department (SJPD) will monitor and report any disturbances or occurrences within a one-mile radius of the Silicon Valley campus and Harvest Properties. Any reports involving Northeastern community members or their visitors will be delivered to the Northeastern University Police Department (NUPD).

Upon request, VP Security Services and Harvest Properties security will escort Northeastern community members to their vehicle or public transit stop within a one-block radius of campus.

Important Local Emergency Numbers

For non-emergencies and general public safety: Please dial 3-1-1 or 408.277.8900.

For on-campus security concerns: Please dial 408.286.6024.

For police, fire, and medical emergencies: Please dial 9-1-1 or 408.277.3911.

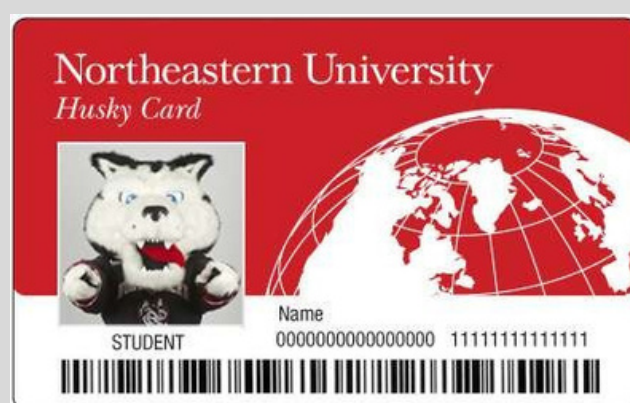
This number is intended for life-threatening emergencies. Calling this number for any other purpose may be considered a crime.

Safety Guidelines

In the event of an emergency, it is important that Northeastern staff members and Harvest Properties building security officers easily identify you and assist you to safety.

Please make sure to follow these guidelines at all times:

Always have your campus access badge on you and visible.



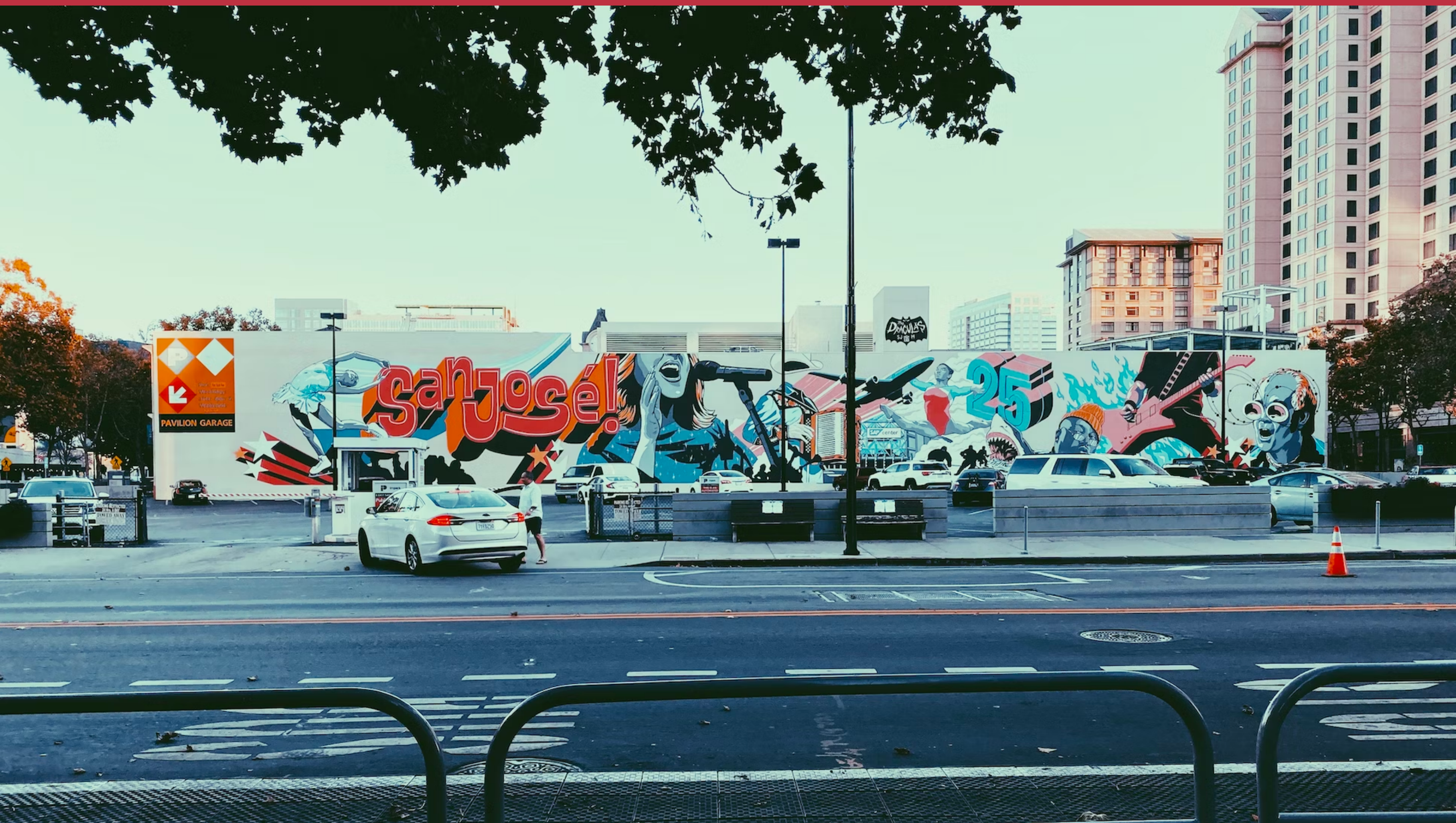
If you lose your badge, inform the front desk immediately so your badge can be deactivated.

Always have your HuskyCard with you. It serves as your official student identification.

If you notice anything or anyone suspicious on our campus, please report it to the front desk or a Northeastern staff and faculty member immediately.

If you are unable to reach the front desk, a staff member, or a faculty member, please dial 408.286.6024 for the Harvest Properties Security team. Identify yourself as a Northeastern student and state your security concern.

Places to Visit



Foods near Campus

If you're looking for a bite to eat or a place to hang out in downtown San Jose after your classes at Northeastern University Silicon Valley Campus, here are some recommendations:

Ike's Love & Sandwiches

Ike's Love & Sandwiches is a popular sandwich shop known for its creative and delicious sandwich combinations. They offer a wide range of options, including vegetarian and vegan choices, with generous portions at affordable prices.

Food Type: Sandwiches

Location: 75 E Santa Clara St #130, San Jose, CA 95113

Website: <https://www.ilikeikesplace.com/>

Cost: \$

Original Joe's

This iconic Italian-American restaurant has been a downtown San Jose staple since 1956. Enjoy classic dishes like spaghetti and meatballs, chicken parmesan, and steaks in a retro ambiance.

Food Type: Italian-American cuisine

Location: 301 S 1st St, San Jose, CA 95113

Website: www.originaljoes.com

Estimated Cost: \$\$-\$\$\$

La Victoria Taqueria

Known for its legendary orange sauce, La Victoria Taqueria serves up delicious Mexican street food. Try their famous orange sauce-drenched burritos, tacos, and quesadillas.

Food Type: Mexican

Location: 140 E San Carlos St, San Jose, CA 95112

Website: www.lavicsj.com

Estimated Cost: \$-\$\$

San Pedro Square Market

This vibrant food hall offers a diverse range of culinary options. From gourmet burgers and wood-fired pizza to sushi and craft beer, you'll find something for every palate.

Food Type: Various cuisines (food hall)

Location: 87 N San Pedro St, San Jose, CA 95110

Website: www.sanpedrosquaremarket.com

Estimated Cost: \$-\$\$

Places to visit in San Jose

Spots to explore in downtown San Jose near the Silicon Valley Campus.

San Jose Museum of Art

The San Jose Museum of Art is a must-see destination for art lovers visiting the city. Located in downtown San Jose, the museum features a diverse collection of modern and contemporary art from around the world, with a focus on West Coast artists. Visitors can explore the galleries, participate in guided tours, attend special exhibitions and events, and enjoy the outdoor sculpture garden. Admission prices with discounts are available for students. The museum is open Wednesday through Sunday, with free admission offered on the first Friday of each month. Don't miss the chance to experience the vibrant art scene of San Jose at this impressive museum.

Address: 110 South Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113

Website: <https://sjmusart.org/>

The Tech Interactive

The Tech Interactive is a must-visit destination for science and technology enthusiasts in San Jose. Located in the heart of downtown, the museum offers a variety of exhibits and activities for visitors of all ages. Explore the world of robotics, virtual reality, and biotechnology through interactive displays and hands-on experiences. The museum also features a giant dome theater, where you can enjoy immersive shows on a variety of topics, from space exploration.

Address: 201 S. Market St., San Jose, CA 95113

Website: <https://www.thetech.org/>

Santana Row

Santana Row is a premier shopping and dining destination located in San Jose. It features over 70 retail shops, ranging from high-end fashion boutiques to unique specialty stores, as well as more than 20 restaurants and cafes offering a variety of cuisines. Visitors can also catch a movie at the CineArts theater or relax at the outdoor park and plaza. The Row hosts numerous events throughout the year, such as the annual Summer Fashion Show and holiday celebrations.

Address: 377 Santana Row, San Jose, CA 95128

Website: <http://www.santanarow.com/>

California Theatre

The California Theatre is a historic performing arts venue located in the heart of downtown San Jose. Built in 1927, the theater has been restored to its former glory and now hosts a wide range of events, including concerts, plays, and movie screenings. Visitors can enjoy the ornate Art Deco architecture and interior design, which features intricate murals and chandeliers. The theater is located just a few blocks from the San Jose Convention Center and is easily accessible by public transportation. Visitors can also enjoy nearby restaurants and bars before or after a show.

Address: 345 S 1st St, San Jose, CA 95113

Website: <https://sanjosetheaters.org/theaters/california-theatre/>

Japantown

Located just outside of downtown San Jose, offers a unique cultural experience in the heart of Silicon Valley. Visitors can explore the streets lined with Japanese restaurants, shops, and businesses, and immerse themselves in the vibrant Japanese American community. The Japantown neighborhood also hosts a variety of cultural events and festivals throughout the year, including the Obon Festival in the summer and the Cherry Blossom Festival in the spring. Don't miss a visit to the San Jose Betsuin Buddhist Temple or the Japantown Farmer's Market on Sundays.

Address: Jackson St & N First St, San Jose, CA 95112

Website: <https://jtown.org/>

Municipal Rose Garden

The Municipal Rose Garden is a beautiful public garden located in San Jose. It features over 3,500 rose shrubs and 189 varieties of roses, making it a popular destination for rose enthusiasts and nature lovers. The garden also has a variety of other flowers, such as irises and daisies, and a few fountains. The best time to visit is during the spring and early summer when the roses are in full bloom. Admission is free, and the garden is open daily from dawn until dusk. There are benches and picnic areas throughout the garden, making it an excellent spot for a leisurely afternoon picnic or a peaceful stroll.

Address: 1649 Naglee Ave, San Jose, CA 95126

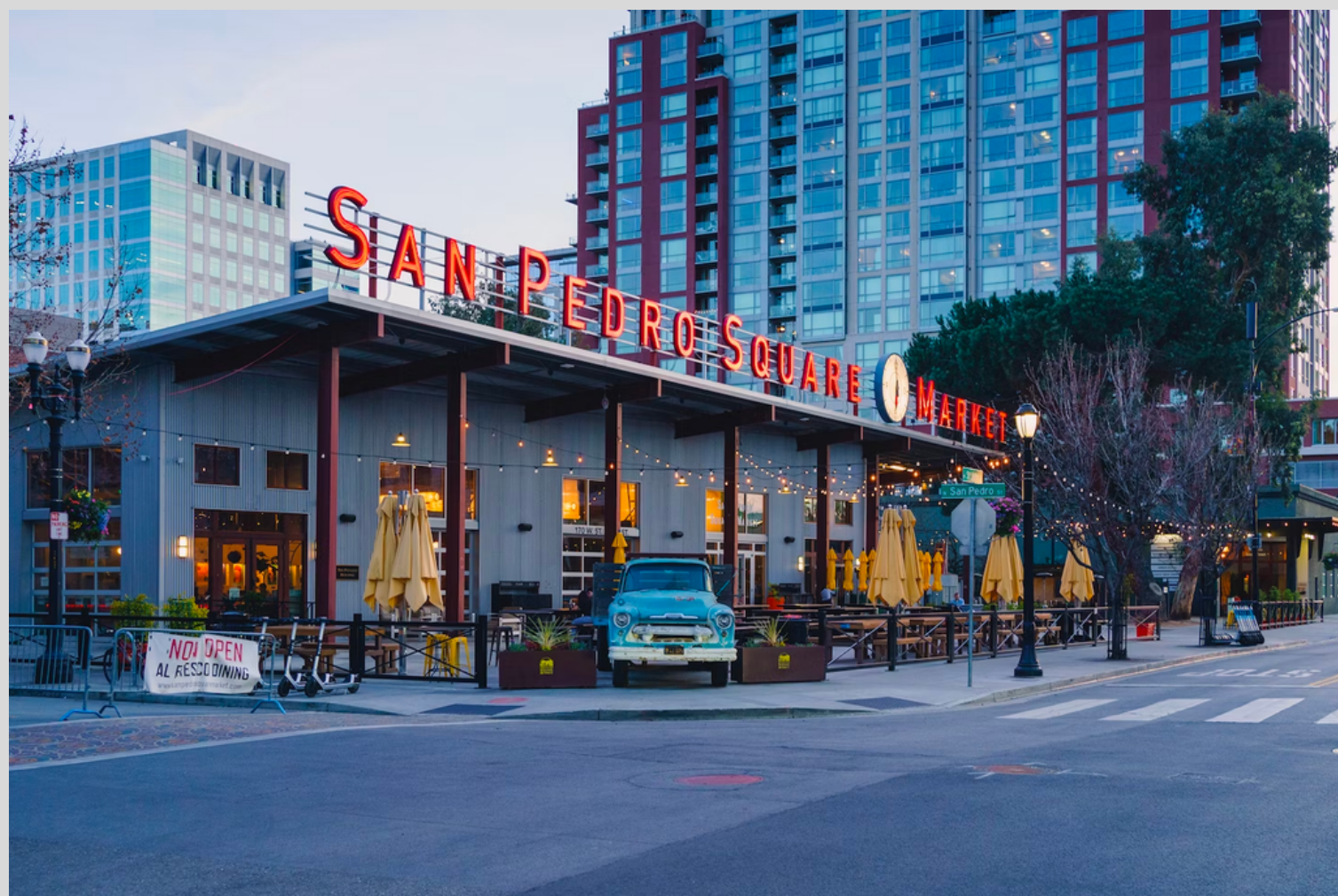
Website: <https://www.sanjose.org/attraction/municipal-rose-garden>

San Pedro Square Market

San Pedro Square Market is a bustling indoor market located in downtown San Jose, offering a wide range of culinary delights from around the world. The market features over 20 vendors, offering everything from pizza and burgers to sushi and tacos. There are also several bars and a coffee shop, as well as a stage for live music performances. The market is a great place to meet up with friends and enjoy a casual meal or drink.

Address: 87 N San Pedro St, San Jose, CA 95110

Website: <https://sanpedrosquaremarket.com/>



Tech Attractions in Silicon Valley

Silicon Valley, renowned for its innovative technology companies such as Google, Apple, Meta, and Uber, offers an array of fascinating points of interest that are worth exploring. Why not embrace your inner geek and visit these iconic Silicon Valley landmarks? Don't miss the opportunity to experience the innovation and creativity that defines this vibrant tech hub while pursuing your studies at the Silicon Valley Campus!

Computer History Museum

The Computer History Museum in Mountain View, California is a must-see for tech enthusiasts. The museum is dedicated to preserving and showcasing the history of computing and its impact on society. Visitors can explore a wide range of exhibits, including early computing machines, vintage computers and video games, and interactive displays that illustrate the evolution of technology. There are also special exhibits that delve into topics like artificial intelligence and the future of computing. The museum is open seven days a week and offers guided tours, as well as educational programs and events.

Address: 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd, Mountain View, CA 94043

Website: <https://computerhistory.org/>

Apple Park

Apple Park is the headquarters of Apple Inc. located in Cupertino, California. The iconic spaceship-shaped building covers an area of 2.8 million square feet and is surrounded by a 175-acre park with walking and running trails, as well as a pond. Although the campus is not open to the public, visitors can still take a glimpse of the futuristic building and its surroundings from a designated visitor center. The visitor center offers an augmented reality experience, a rooftop observation deck, and an Apple Store with exclusive merchandise. If you're a tech enthusiast or an Apple fan, the Apple Park visitor center is a must-see destination in Silicon Valley.

Address: 10600 North Tantau Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014

Website: <https://www.apple.com/retail/appleparkvisitorcenter/>

Googleplex Campus & Android Statue Garden

The Googleplex Campus is the headquarters of Google Inc. located in Mountain View, California. As one of the most iconic tech campuses in the world, it offers a glimpse into the innovative and dynamic culture of Google. While access to the campus is restricted to employees and authorized visitors, visitors can still explore the Android Statue Garden, which is open to the public. The Android Statue Garden features colorful statues representing different versions of the Android operating system. It's a great spot for tech enthusiasts and visitors to take photos and learn about the evolution of Android. Keep in mind that it's important to respect the privacy and security policies of the campus while visiting the Android Statue Garden.

Address: 1600 Amphitheatre Pkwy, Mountain View, CA 94043

Intel Museum

Located in Santa Clara, the Intel Museum is a tribute to the history of microprocessors and the world of computing. Dive into exhibits that showcase the evolution of Intel's technology and its impact on the world. It's a must-visit for those interested in the nuts and bolts of computer innovation.

Address: 2200 Mission College Blvd, Santa Clara, CA 95054

Website: <https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/company-overview/intel-museum.html>

Stanford University

Stanford University is a prestigious and renowned institution located in Stanford, California. It is known for its world-class academic programs, cutting-edge research, and beautiful campus. Visitors to Stanford can explore the historic Main Quad, which is surrounded by stunning architecture and serves as the heart of the university. The campus also boasts attractions like the Stanford Memorial Church, the Cantor Arts Center, and the Rodin Sculpture Garden, which houses a collection of famous sculptures by Auguste Rodin. Nature lovers can enjoy the scenic landscapes and walking trails in the Stanford Arboretum and the nearby Dish Trail. Stanford is also home to a vibrant arts community, with performances at the Bing Concert Hall and exhibitions at the Anderson Collection. Whether you're interested in academics, culture, or natural beauty, a visit to Stanford University offers a rich and rewarding experience.

Address: 450 Serra Mall, Stanford, CA 94305

Website: <https://visit.stanford.edu/explore-campus/>

Traveling more in the Bay Area

San Francisco

San Francisco, a city known for its iconic landmarks and vibrant culture, offers a myriad of sightseeing opportunities. **The Golden Gate Bridge**, an engineering marvel, spans the **Golden Gate Strait**, providing breathtaking views of the city. Explore the historic **Alcatraz Island**, home to a former federal prison, through guided tours revealing its intriguing past. For a taste of diverse neighborhoods, visit the famous district of **Chinatown** with its bustling streets and cultural richness. Take a cable car ride through the hilly streets, passing through neighborhoods like **Nob Hill** and **Fisherman's Wharf**, where you can indulge in seafood and enjoy waterfront attractions. The **Painted Ladies at Alamo Square** present a picturesque view of Victorian architecture against the city skyline. From the trendy shops of **Union Square** to the serene landscapes of **Muir Woods National Monument**, San Francisco is a treasure trove for every traveler.

Location: San Francisco, California, USA

Website: <https://www.sftravel.com/>



Napa Valley

Napa Valley, nestled in Northern California's wine country, is a haven for wine enthusiasts and nature lovers alike. The region is renowned for its world-class vineyards and wineries, making it a paradise for wine tasting. Take a leisurely drive along the scenic **Silverado Trail** or the iconic **Stags Leap Wine District** to savor the picturesque landscapes and discover acclaimed wineries. For a unique perspective, embark on a hot air balloon ride over the lush vineyards during sunrise. Explore the charming town of **St. Helena**, home to boutique shops, art galleries, and gourmet restaurants. Don't miss the historic **Castello di Amorosa**, a castle-inspired winery offering medieval charm and exceptional wines. Napa Valley's allure extends beyond wine, with hot springs, hiking trails, and the serene **Napa River** providing additional recreational opportunities.

Location: Napa Valley, California, USA

Website: <https://www.visitnapavalley.com/>

Half Moon Bay

Half Moon Bay, situated along the stunning Northern California coastline, is a coastal gem offering a perfect blend of natural beauty and seaside charm. The **Half Moon Bay State Beaches** stretch along the Pacific Ocean, inviting visitors to relax on sandy shores, explore tide pools, and take in breathtaking ocean views. The historic downtown area boasts quaint shops, art galleries, and cozy cafes, providing a delightful atmosphere for strolling and shopping. For outdoor enthusiasts, the **Coastside Trail** offers a scenic path for hiking and biking, showcasing panoramic views of the coastline. The annual **Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival** is a festive highlight, celebrating the harvest season with giant pumpkin contests and family-friendly activities.

Location: Half Moon Bay, California, USA

Website: <https://www.visithalfmoonbay.org/>

Santa Cruz

Nestled along the Central California coast, Santa Cruz is a vibrant beach town known for its laid-back atmosphere, iconic boardwalk, and natural beauty. The **Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk** is a classic seaside amusement park, complete with thrilling rides, games, and sandy beaches. Stroll along the historic **Santa Cruz Wharf** to enjoy fresh seafood, boutique shops, and panoramic ocean views. For a nature escape, explore the scenic **Natural Bridges State Beach**, known for its natural rock bridges and tide pools. The **Santa Cruz Mountains** offer hiking trails amidst towering redwoods, providing a peaceful retreat from the coastal buzz. The lively downtown area features eclectic shops, art galleries, and a diverse culinary scene. Whether you're riding the waves at **Steamer Lane**, admiring the marine life at the **Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary**, or simply enjoying the laid-back beach culture, Santa Cruz offers a quintessential California experience.

Location: Santa Cruz, California, USA

Website: <https://beachboardwalk.com/>

Other Resources



Other Resources

Useful Links

Silicon Valley Campus Resources

Silicon Valley Campus Website: <https://siliconvalley.northeastern.edu/>

New Students: <https://siliconvalley.northeastern.edu/student-resources/new-students/>

Connect with COE Graduate Student Ambassador: <https://web.northeastern.edu/coe-graduate-student-ambassadors/>

Connect with Campus Student Ambassadors: <https://studentlife.bayarea.northeastern.edu/student-ambassadors/>

Local Resources & Travel

Visit Silicon Valley: <https://www.visitcalifornia.com/places-to-visit/silicon-valley/>

Discover San Jose: www.sanjose.com



Northeastern University Vancouver Campus

STUDENT HANDBOOK

2023-2024



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Location and Hours

<p>Location Northeastern University 410 West Georgia Street, Suite 1400 Vancouver, BC, V6B 1Z3 Canada</p> <p>Security 604-341-0359 236-521-9285 Located 24/7 in the building lobby.</p>	<p>Contact Operations 604-328-7454 vancouver@northeastern.edu</p> <p>Campus Hours Monday to Friday: 8:30 am to 9:30 pm Saturday/Statutory Holidays: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Sunday: Closed</p>
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Campus Information

We acknowledge that our campus is situated on the beautiful unceded territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and Selílwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

Northeastern University – Vancouver campus is conveniently located in the Library district and operates to help demonstrate to our city and the world a creative, flexible, open-learning and collaborative workspace.

Vancouver students have an opportunity to build their network and study in the heart of the international superhub known as the Cascadia Innovation Corridor and home to companies like Amazon, Microsoft, SAP, Advanced Technology Group, Fortinet, and more.

This Vancouver Guide contains resources for student affairs and academic services at the Vancouver campus, as well as other locally relevant information. It contains information current as of the date of its release, however, is subject to change at the discretion of the University.

Equal Opportunity

The [Policy on Equal Opportunity](#) strictly prohibits discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, religious creed, genetic information, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, veteran or disability status. The Annual Equal Opportunity Notice can be found online at https://www.northeastern.edu/policies/pdfs/Policy_on_Equal_Opportunity.pdf

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Getting to Campus

Transit

The campus is accessible through multiple methods of public transportation. Route information can be found on the [Translink](#) website.

- Skytrain (Canada Line & Expo Line)
- West Coast Express which runs from Mission, BC through multiple suburb locations directly to Waterfront Station
- SeaBus which crosses the inlet from North Vancouver to arrive at Waterfront Station

Parking

Parking is in the underground parkade. Gate will be open for general/public/guest access. Gate hours TBC. Parking is managed by Reef Parking. The parking facility will have meters for visitors/students to purchase parking. The rates are:

Daily Rates, Plus Applicable Taxes:

\$3 per half hour

\$6 per hour

\$18 All Day until 6pm
\$10 Evening, 6pm to Close

Monthly Rates

Random Public \$350, plus taxes
Reserved Public \$450, plus taxes

Students can register for monthly parking if they wish by calling Reef's Monthly Department for registration at 604-909-3787, Advanced Parking Lot code 337. They can select either rate 'Random Public \$350' or 'Reserved Public \$450'. Provide parker information: full name, vehicle plate, random or reserved, start date.

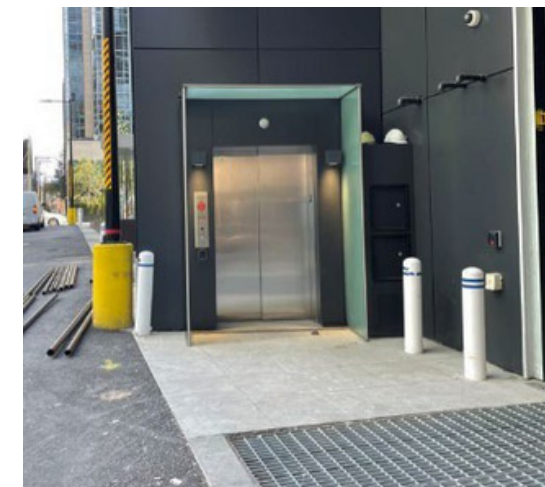
Bike lockers

Bike elevator is available and staffed with bike concierge. Access to the elevator and bike storage is with the Paladin security access card. Please email [Vancouver](#) Ops team to request access. Spaces are limited and assigned each semester through a lottery draw. Once the parking is full, you will need to find alternative space off campus/outside the building. We cannot guarantee space.

For students who are assigned space, we will confirm when the access card is updated. It may take up to 48 hours for access to be available once confirmed.

The bike room can be accessed via the bike elevator located in the lane way off West Georgia Street (see below image of Bike Elevator). Directions to the room can be found in the attached [map](#).

Please note bikes or electric scooters are not permitted in the lobby, main elevators, or within the leased premises at any time.



Airport Travel

Vancouver International Airport is in Richmond and is accessible by Transit, Taxi, Uber, and Lift. Alternative airports within the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley include Abbotsford International Airport (YXX) and Harbour Air (Seaplane travel).

Access Information and Procedures

Students have access to campus during the hours of 9:00 am to 9:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

Building Access Cards

Access pass cards are issued to students when they start with Northeastern Vancouver. Students are required to return their cards upon graduation but are always welcome to return to campus as a guest.

All students and employees are responsible to safeguard their cards and remember to bring them to the building each time. We do not issue temporary access cards and replacement cards cost \$25.00. Cards should never be shared or swapped as each one is linked to the specific cardholder through official building ID for security purposes. If a card is lost or stolen, please report it to the Operations team right away.

Husky Card

All students must always have in their possession the officially approved and properly validated photo identification card, the “Husky Card.” It will be necessary to show this card as a means of identification and everyone is encouraged to wear them on the lanyard provided. All members of the community should be prepared and willing to identify themselves and their guests upon request by authorized personnel. An official photo identification card will be issued to new students at their initial orientation and registration periods. Replacements for lost cards can be obtained for a nominal fee through our Campus Operations Manager, Chandra Stalker.

Guests

Students are welcome to bring guests to campus, but they must check in to our Envoy system and must always wear their visitor badge. Students are responsible for their guests while on campus and must not leave them unattended.

Guests will need to be met in the lobby and escorted up to the 14th floor.

Meeting Rooms

Robin is the booking platform for our room and desk booking system. You will be able to see all bookable spaces throughout the campus and reserve them. A few points to note:

- Bookings can only be made 60 days in advance
 - Room bookings are limited to 2-hour time blocks. Priority is given for student interviews, group project work, advising sessions
 - Students, faculty, and staff have their own user groups, so you will only be able to book spaces that you have access to

All Teams-ready rooms have calendars synchronized with Robin so bookings and availability will reflect the calendar of the respective rooms.

You can also download the Robin phone app to book rooms and desks. Sign-in process is like the web version.

See attached [Robin Documentation.docx](#) on how to use Robin.

Students have access to book 1429 and 1430 located in the quiet, study area and the booths located in the collaboration area.

Gym Access

Students are welcome to use the gym space located in P1. Please email vancouver@northeastern.edu to request access.

Alumni Visits

Graduated students are welcome to come to campus. Please email vancouver@northeastern.edu to request access.

General Campus Information

Kitchen Use

We are happy to provide students with the following amenities while on campus:

- Coffee/tea/sparkling water
- Filtered water
- Fruit and snacks (limit one per person)
- Cutlery
- Dishwasher
- Microwaves

Student must bring their own water bottles and/or travel mugs as these are not provided.

Students are responsible to wash their own dishes after use. Items left to dry will be put on the lost and found each evening. Any personal items left in the sink will be discarded.

This is a community kitchen so please take care of this space and keep it clean for the next user.

The large silver refrigerator is for catering and event use only.

Campus facility issues

If you notice a light burnt out, something broken, or a problem with a furniture item?

All facilities related requests may be sent to Vancouver operational staff at vancouver@northeastern.edu.

Staff will submit a ticket and follow up on the request and ensure adequate support from the building's management team.

Building Security

Building Security is on site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Security guards provide regular patrol throughout the building including our campus, gym, bike facilities, and parking lots.

To reach Security call 604-341-0359 or 236-521-9285. Please call if you need assistance at any time.

Safewalk is available by calling Security to arrange. A guard will provide a one block escort to transit or a nearby parkade upon request.

Campus Health and Safety

The campus health and safety committee ensure that the campus space and its operations are safe for all students, faculty, and staff. Any safety concerns can be brought forward to the committee through [Reporting a Safety Concern](#) form.

Building Emergency Procedures

In the event of an emergency or fire alarm, remain calm and listen to the instructions from the public address system. Floor wardens will be present to help direct people to the nearest stairwell exits. **Do not use the elevators.**

In the event of an earthquake, remain in your room if possible and take cover under desks, tables, or strong doorways until the shaking stops. Keep away from windows and other glass, shelves, and high-stacked materials. Follow the directions of the floor wardens.

In the event of an act of violence, remain calm, dial “911”, and wait for further instructions. Tenants may be instructed to shelter in place or evacuate.

Rave Alerts

Rave is the Northeastern Alert system for emergency situations. The site is: <https://www.getrave.com/login/northeastern> and access to send alerts is provided by the NEU (Northeastern University) Police Dept. All staff and student receive the emergency alerts to work and personal emails. Please ensure your contact information is updated in the Student Hub.

First Aid

Please see a member of our Operations Team if you need first aid assistance or access to first aid supplies.

A defibrillator is available in the elevator lobby entrance. If someone needs medical assistance due to illness or injury, follow these steps:

- Call 9-1-1. Provide address, floor, and suite information. You may be asked to provide condition of the person in distress.
- Call building security 24/7 at 604-341-0359 or 236-521-9285.
- Have someone available in the main building lobby to lead medical personnel, if able.

Lost and Found

Members and visitors should safeguard their personal belongings while on site. Northeastern is not responsible for lost items, however, items may still be reported through this [Lost and Found Form](#) in case they have been recovered.

General Safety Guidelines

If you notice anything or anyone suspicious, first, please report it to a Northeastern staff and faculty member immediately. If you are unable to reach them, contact Security. If you feel you are in danger call security or 911.

Information Technology Services (ITS) Resources

Printing/Copying/Scanning

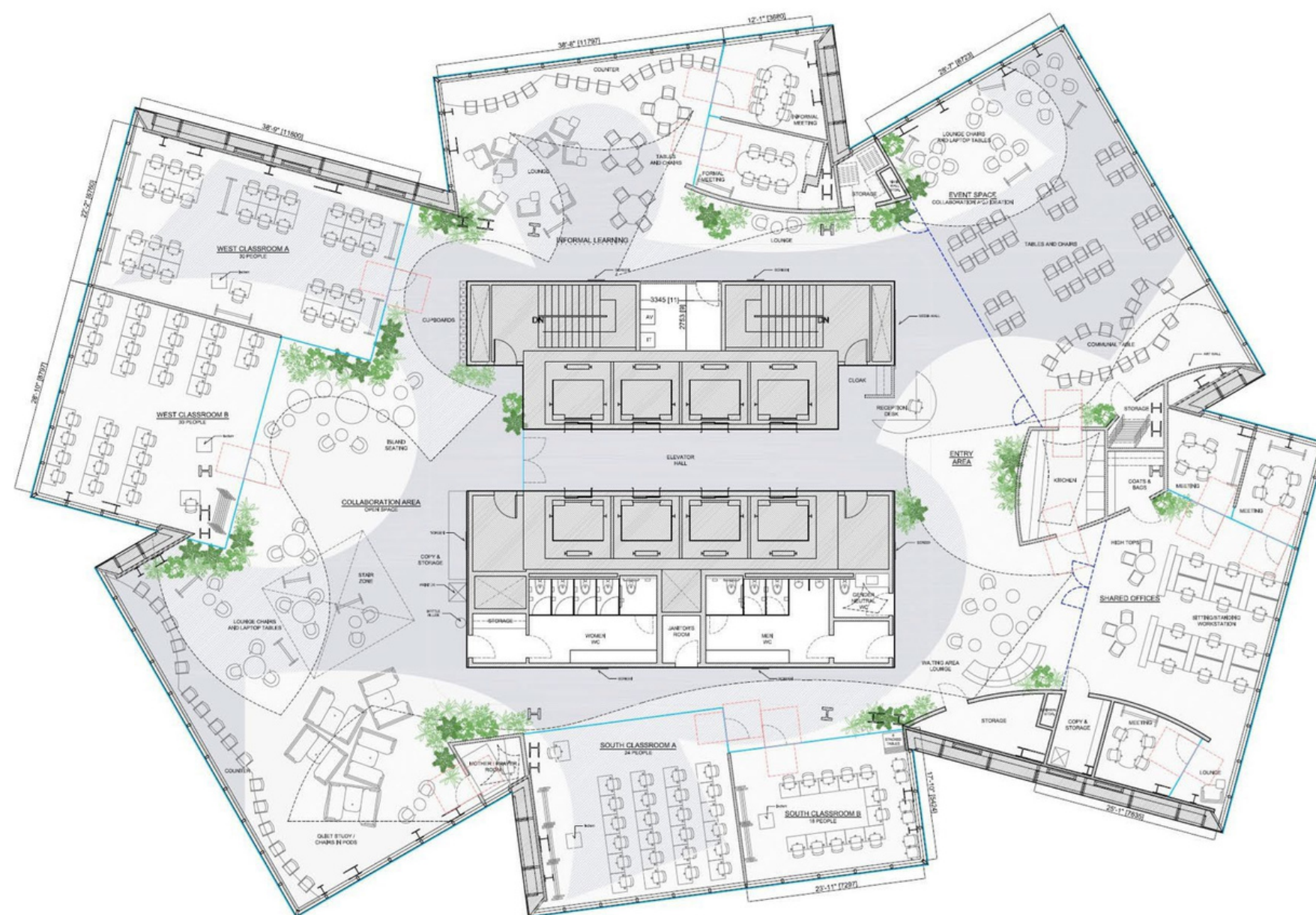
Northeastern has one printer available exclusively for its students in the collaboration area. Students will be required to load funds onto their Husky card accounts to print. Printer information is in the Resources section of the Campus Canvas page.

WiFi Access

Wi-Fi is NUWave. The username and password are your Northeastern network login. For additional ITS resources at Northeastern, visit the website at its.northeastern.edu.

Campus Floor Plan

14th Floor



- Event Space
- Classrooms
- Informal Learning & Collaboration
- Meeting Rooms
- Washrooms
- Wellness Room
- Resource area
- Kitchen
- Administration



Student Services

Office of Global Services

The [Office of Global Services](#) (OGS) supports all international students on campus studying on a study permit in Canada. This office provides holistic support on all compliance and cultural matters. Students are encouraged to attend cultural programs throughout the year to meet new people and learn about new cultures.

Their FAQ section for Canadian students provides information related to traveling during the COVID-19 pandemic as well as resources for Vancouver students that are required to self-isolate/quarantine.

Global Learner Support

[Global Learner Support](#) (GLS) serves all students, scholars, faculty, and staff across Northeastern University's global campus network. Their mission is to provide learners with high-quality language, cultural, and academic support while promoting the development of intercultural competence and global understanding.

Global Student Success

[Global Student Success](#) (GSS) is dedicated to helping international and non-native English-speaking students through a variety of services and resources. For more information about these programs and how to connect, please visit the GSS website. Online consultations are available.

Student Support Services

The Associate Director of Student Services, based at the Vancouver campus, is available to direct students to appropriate resources in Vancouver or the university more broadly, and to address any issues that arise with respect to a Vancouver student experience. Students additionally may reach out to any Northeastern faculty and staff member, who will provide guidance in navigating the campus resources and support services.

For more information on our Vancouver Student Support Staff, please visit our student life website.

OPEN

The [Office of Prevention and Education](#) at Northeastern provides prevention and education services on the topics of alcohol and other drugs, sexual violence, and sexual health. Please find additional information from OPEN for international students here.

OSCCR (Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution)

The [Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution](#) supports our community by upholding standards for behavior by promoting accountability for actions, encouraging responsible decision-making, providing a space for self-reflection, and instilling the values of integrity and civility.

QUEC

The [Office for University Equity and Compliance](#) is committed to supplying learning and work environment that is safe and free from discrimination and harassment. They lead efforts to keep the University's compliance with all laws pertaining to anti-discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Title IX.

Anyone who experiences or is aware of discriminatory conduct is urged to report the matter at once prohibit retaliation against an individual for reporting perceived discrimination or taking part in a resulting investigation

Registrar

The [Registrar Office](#) maintains all the academic records and transcripts. If you have any questions about registration, records, or transcripts this office can help.

Access to myNortheastern

Get to know your [myNortheastern](#) portal service. Through your myNortheastern account, you can access course catalog, the student employment portal, and much more! Please be aware that you may authorize access to the myNortheastern Parent Portal so that parents/guardians can view certain types of information.

To learn more about claiming your account and changing passwords, please visit the website.

Northeastern University Library (virtual)

All Vancouver students have access to Northeastern University [Library](#) resources and librarians. The library has a vast choice of electronic resources to support you. To view a complete list of research databases, find more information or see upcoming events visit their website or [chat online](#) with a librarian 24/7.

Vancouver Public Library (local)

The city's grand central library, with a colonnaded surround reminiscent of a Roman amphitheater is located blocks away from campus.

- Website: <http://www.vpl.ca/>
- Address: 350 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC, V6B 6B1
- Phone: 604 331 3603
- Email: info@vpl.ca
- Hours
 - Monday to Thursday 10:00AM to 9:00PM
 - Friday to Saturday 10:00AM to 6:00PM
 - Sunday 11:00AM to 6:00PM

Student Resources

Public Transport tickets and passes

Compass is the reloadable fare card that works everywhere on transit in Metro Vancouver. It is convenient, easy to use, and secure. Simply load Stored Value or a pass onto your card and tap your way across the system.



Where to buy Compass cards and tickets

- Compass Vending Machines (CVMs) at:
 - SkyTrain, SeaBus, and West Coast Express stations
 - 18 London Drugs stores
 - BC Ferries Tsawwassen and Horseshoe Bay terminals
 - Pre-loaded Compass Cards are available on major BC Ferries routes for \$16 (\$10 of Stored Value and \$6 for the refundable deposit). Compass DayPass Tickets are also available on these routes.
- Online at compasscard.ca
- By calling 604.398.2042
- Compass Customer Service Centre at Stadium–Chinatown SkyTrain Station
- West Coast Express Customer Service, 2nd floor, Waterfront Station
- Compass Vending Machines (CVM) accept cash, debit, and credit.

Online payment and Autoload enrollment can be done with Debit Mastercard, Visa Debit, American Express, Mastercard, and Visa. It can take up to two hours for your Compass product to be available for use. If you buy fare products at a CVM, they will be available for use at once.

For more information, please visit [here](#).

Health and Well-Being

Medical Service and Insurance

You must have medical insurance for the entire duration of your studies. If family members are accompanying you, they should have adequate medical insurance during their stay in Canada. The medical services can be expensive if you are not insured.

As an international student at Northeastern University Vancouver with a Study Permit valid for more than 6 months, you are eligible to apply for the BC Medical Services Plan (MSP) after 90 days of arrival. MSP is a primary medical insurance legally required for all residents of British Columbia. It covers the cost of medically necessary insured doctor services, such as visits to doctors, hospital stays and diagnostic medical testing. From January 2020, it is free of charge to all BC residents.

How to apply for MSP

Apply Online: <https://my.gov.bc.ca/msp/application/prepare>

my.gov.bc.ca/msp/application/prepare

BRITISH COLUMBIA Apply for MSP

1 Check Eligibility 2 Personal Info 3 Contact Info 4 Review & Submit

If you already have Medical Services Plan (MSP) coverage and received a letter notifying you to renew your BC Services Card, you do not have to submit a new Application for MSP Enrolment; you only need to renew your BC Services Card. Follow the instructions on the letter to renew your card.

See if you qualify for public health care in B.C.

Do you currently live in British Columbia (i.e. Do you have an address here)?

Yes No

Will you or anyone in your immediate family (included on this application) be away from B.C. for more than 30 days in total over the next six months?

Yes No

Is anyone you're applying for

- A student returning to your home province at the end of a course or program; or
- A minor (under the age of 16) who needs to have their own individual account; or
- Seeking refugee status and is not approved yet

Yes No

BRITISH COLUMBIA Apply for MSP

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Tell us about who is applying and upload official documents

Main Applicant (Account Holder)

Your Status in Canada

- Canadian citizen
- Permanent resident
- Temporary permit holder or diplomat
- Working in B.C.
- Studying in B.C.
- Religious worker
- Diplomat

Your ID requirements

You need to include **one** of the following with your application:

- Study permit [Open sample](#)

Has your name changed since your ID was issued due to marriage or a legal name change? If so, include **one or more** of the following:

- Marriage Certificate [Open sample](#)
- Legal Name Change Certificate [Open sample](#)

Upload your documents

Scan the document, or take a photo of it. Make sure that it's:

- The entire document, from corner to corner
- At least 1000 pixels wide x 1500 pixels tall
- Rotated correctly (not upside down or sideways)
- In focus and easy to read
- A JPG, PNG, GIF or BMP file (not a PDF)

Select a file

Please upload required ID documents

You can also apply by mail by downloading the [application form](#) and mailing the completed form to:

Health Insurance BC
 Medical Services Plan
 PO Box 9678 Stn Prov Govt
 Victoria BC V8W 9P7

For the first 90 days of arrival, and to also extend health insurance coverage (e.g., dental, vision, prescription medication etc.), you need to buy extended-health insurance packages. For more information, please contact the Student Services Advisor.

Walk-in Clinic near campus

**Call to confirm they accept walk-ins during COVID-19*

Medisys Preventive Health Clinic 900 W Hastings St #800, Vancouver, BC (604) 681-2400	Keefe Walk-In and Medical Clinic Address: 118 Keefe St, Vancouver, BC V6A 1X4 Phone: (604) 674-7403	Coast Medical Seymour Address: 1018 Seymour St, Vancouver, BC V6B 3M6 Phone: (604) 569-3632
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Hospitals near campus

**For minor illness or conditions, e.g., flu, cold, please visit a walk-in clinic to avoid long wait times.*

St. Paul's Hospital Address: 1081 Burrard St, Vancouver Phone: (604) 682-2344 Hours: 24hours	Vancouver General Hospital Address: 899 W 12th Ave, Vancouver Phone: (604) 875-4111 Hours: 24hours
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Important Phone numbers

- **9-1-1** if you are in an emergency
- **8-1-1** is a free of charge provincial health information and advice phone line available in British Columbia for non-emergency health information and advice.
- **1-800-SUICIDE** (1-800-784-2433) if you are having a crisis or are concerned about someone who may be. Available 24 hours a day
- **310Mental Health Support** at 310-6789 (no area code needed) for emotional support, information, and resources specific to mental health
- **Alcohol & Drug Information and Referral Service** at 1-800-663-1441 (toll-free in B.C.) or 604-660-9382 (in the Lower Mainland) to find resources and support

Mental Health

Counselling Service via Boston Campus

Vancouver students can receive 24/7 mental health support through [Find@Northeastern](#). They provide support and resources to help you find yourself, your peace of mind and your distinctive path. Supports are available in a variety of formats.

Crisis Text Line

Provides free, 24/7 emotional support via text. Text 686868 when you are in crisis/need to talk. A live, trained counselor will respond promptly and be available to provide support and assistance.

<https://www.crisistextline.ca/>

Support for BC Students

Through the [Here2Talk](#) program, all students currently registered in a B.C. post-secondary institution have access to free, confidential counselling and community referral services, conveniently available 24/7 via app, phone, and web.

Student Discounts

Students can also sign up for an [ISIC Canada Card](#) for \$20 annual membership, or an [SPC Card](#) for \$10 annual membership – both offering discounts at participating locations. Make sure you always carry your student ID with you, as you never know whether an establishment does student discounts.

Housing

Currently Northeastern University Vancouver does not offer on-campus housing. You may start searching before you come to Vancouver and arrive a few weeks before starting classes to give yourself time to find a suitable place to live.

[Renting it Right](#) is a free online course created by Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre and Justice Education Society that can help guide you throughout the process of finding suitable accommodation. If you are planning to move or store your belongings, there are companies offer storage services for a fee.

Housing Scams

Internet web sites and other third-party rental resources are great for searching for roommates, apartments, and subletting. However, this is no guarantee they are free from scams. Be cautious when completing transactions with prospective roommates, tenants, property owners, etc. Learn about common scam techniques and avoid becoming a victim.

Here are some guidelines to help keep you scam free:

- Never rent a place you or a friend cannot view in advance
- Never wire funds via Western Union or MoneyGram
 - Never make payments in the form of cash. Use a credit card or bank check that can be tracked. Many credit cards offer fraud protection
 - Never give out financial or personal information such as social security numbers, bank account numbers, or credit card information
- Be mindful of fraudulent checks and money orders

Housing advertisement terminology

Appl/appliances: stove, refrigerator (fridge) and dishwasher

Apt: apartment

Bdrm or br: bedroom(s), usually preceded by a number. Bedrooms are separate from the kitchen and living room.

Bsmt: basement, below the main floor of the building; usually a self-contained suite in the bottom part of a house

cable: extra channels for your television; sometimes included in cost of rent
drapes: curtains
f: prefer female occupant only
f&s: fridge and stove only, no other appliances
hydro: electricity
hot plate: heating elements for cooking but no oven
gas: natural gas (heating)
gdn lvl: Garden level means a basement suite which may be partially above ground
incl util: Price includes cost of utilities (heat, hot water)
m: prefer male occupant only
n/d: non-drinker (of alcohol)
n/p: no pets
n/s: no smoking
prkg: parking
pvt ent: private entrance
r&b or rb: room and board (cooked meals provided)
refs: references required
ste or suite: set of rooms
w/d: washer and dryer
w/w: wall-to-wall carpeting

Community Resources

Community Centres

Community centres provide various recreational, social, and cultural activities. It is a terrific way to learn new skills, meet new friends, and become a part of your new community. They also offer volunteering opportunities if you wish to gain some work experience.

Community Centers near campus:

Coal Harbour Community Centre	Gathering Place Community Centre
480 Broughton St, Vancouver	609 Helmcken Street, Vancouver
Phone: 604 718 8222	Phone: 604-665-2391

MOSAIC

[MOSAIC](#) is a registered charity serving immigrant, refugee, migrant and mainstream communities in Greater Vancouver and the Fraser Valley as well as throughout the province of BC and overseas via online programs. Their services are delivered from 31 client-accessible sites and include settlement assistance, English language training, employment programs, interpretation & translation, counselling services, community outreach for families and individuals.

MOSAIC also offers services for the LGBTQ and migrant worker communities.

QMUNITY

[QMUNITY](#) is a non-profit organization based in Vancouver, BC that works to improve queer, trans, and Two-Spirit lives. They provide a safer space for LGBTQ2SAI+ people and their allies to fully self-express

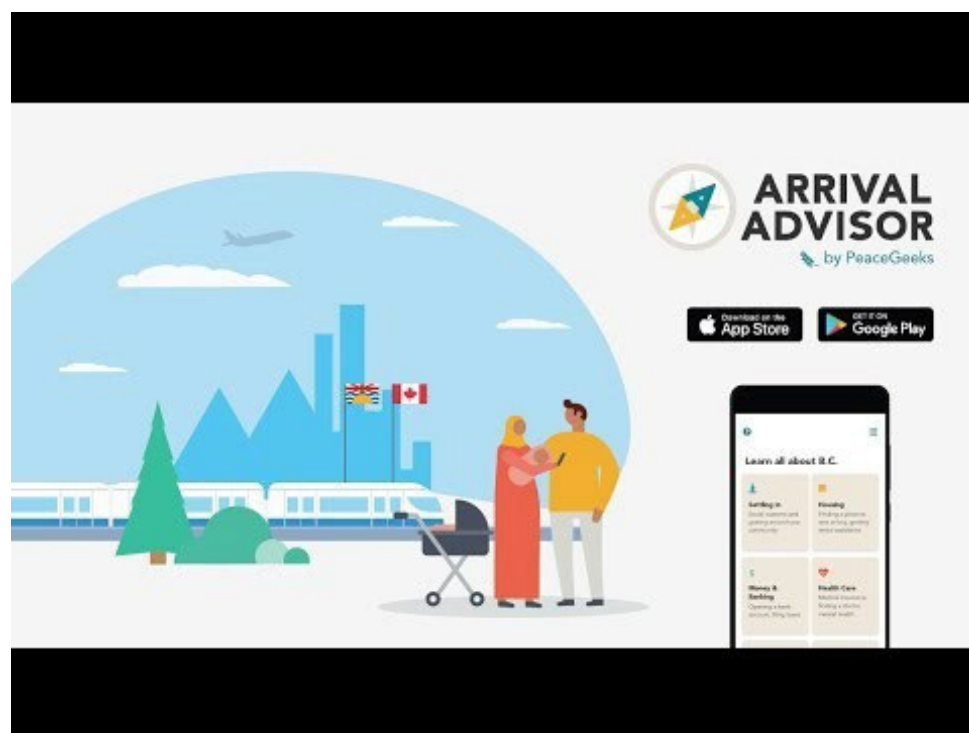
while feeling welcome and included. Their building serves as a catalyst for community initiatives and collective strength.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

The United Chinese Community Enrichment Services Society ([S.U.C.C.E.S.S.](#)) is a non-partisan and non-profit charitable organization serving immigrant, newcomer, and refugee communities in BC. It has 20 locations in BC and internationally, offering a wide range of programs and services: settlement services, community services, housing services, multi-level care society, employment services, family and youth, health services and language services etc.

Arrival Advisor

A free phone app, created by PeaceGeeks, a non-profit organization based in Vancouver, is a digital tool to help you navigate your new life in Canada. Can be downloaded on Google Play and App Store.



Seattle Campus Student Handbook

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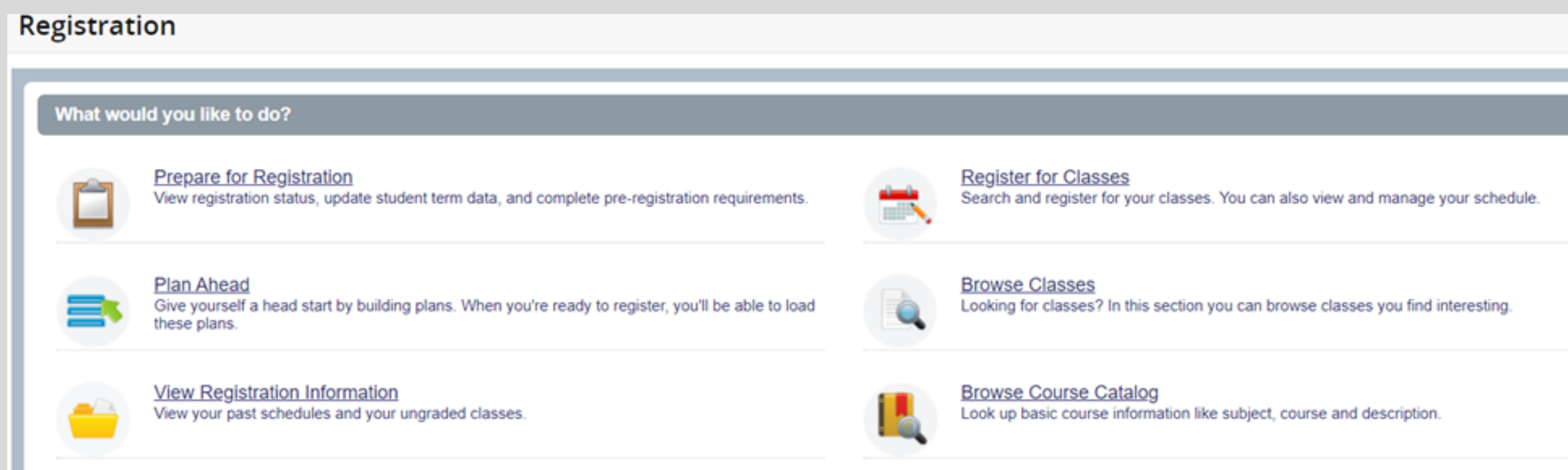


How to Sign Up for Classes

Graduate Students are expected to access the Student Hub portal using the following link:

<https://northeastern.sharepoint.com/sites/studenthub>

Under the 'Resources' tab, select the widget titled: Academics, Classes & Registration. Within that list, they are to click on 'Course Registration' which will bring them to the page displayed below:



Students are then encouraged to explore each link on this page, as they would be able to browse through the database of all courses available for registration and simultaneously construct a plan using the 'Plan Ahead' section.

A specific course could have as many as 4 faculty members teaching that subject for a semester as courses of all campuses, along with courses taught online/virtually. Majority courses for a particular student lie within the 9 colleges that come under the vast umbrella of the graduate program:

How to Sign Up for Classes

- 1.College of Arts, Media and Design
- 2.D'Amore-McKim School of Business
- 3.Khoury College of Computer Sciences
- 4.College of Engineering
- 5.Bouvé College of Health Sciences
- 6.School of Law
- 7.College of Professional Studies
- 8.College of Science
9. College of Social Sciences and Humanities

Furthermore, each degree program requires a certain number of credits to be attained by the end of their program by completing several courses and projects each semester.

Academic Expectations

1. **Coursework:** Graduate students are expected to complete the required coursework for their program, including core courses and electives, while maintaining a satisfactory GPA. Each program may have different GPA requirements.
2. **Research and Scholarly Activity:** Many graduate programs emphasize research or scholarly activity. Graduate students are often expected to engage in original research, complete a thesis or dissertation, or participate in other scholarly endeavors.
3. **Advising and Mentoring:** Graduate students should work closely with their academic advisors and mentors to develop a clear academic plan and receive guidance on their research or coursework.
4. **Academic Integrity:** Upholding academic integrity is paramount. Graduate students should avoid plagiarism, cheating, and any other forms of academic dishonesty. Familiarity with the university's academic integrity policies is crucial.
5. **Thesis/Dissertation:** If applicable, graduate students are expected to make progress on their thesis or dissertation research in a timely manner, following departmental guidelines and meeting deadlines.
6. **Satisfactory Progress:** Graduate programs often have benchmarks for satisfactory academic progress. Students should be aware of these benchmarks and work to meet them.

Academic Expectations

7. Seminars and Presentations: Some programs require graduate students to attend seminars, conferences, or present their research. Participation in these activities may be an expectation.

8. Professional Development: Graduate students may be encouraged to engage in professional development activities, such as attending workshops, acquiring teaching experience, or seeking internships related to their field.

9. Teaching or Research Assistantships: If serving as a teaching or research assistant, graduate students are expected to fulfill their responsibilities effectively and professionally.

10. Compliance: Compliance with all university policies, including those related to registration, financial matters, and ethical conduct, is expected.

11. Communication: Effective communication with professors, advisors, and fellow students is important for academic success. This includes attending office hours, responding to emails promptly, and actively participating in class discussions.

Transferring Classes/Credits Policies

Northeastern follows certain policies and protocols in cases where a graduate student decides to transfer credits for a particular course, as listed below:

- Master's degree programs allow up to 12 quarter hours of transfer credit (up to four 3-q.h. or three 4-q.h. courses)
- Certificate programs allow up to 4 quarter hours of transfer credit (one course)
- No transfer credit will be awarded to students in the Doctor of Law and Policy program
- The Transitional Doctor of Physical Therapy program will allow up to 8 quarter hours of credit (two courses)
- Minimum course grade acceptable is a grade of B, or 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Credits must be graduate level
- Transfer credits must be no more than five academic years old at the time that the student is admitted to graduate study. Courses older than five years will be accepted only in rare circumstances.
- Credits that have been earned to fulfill an academic requirement for a graduate degree, baccalaureate degree, advanced degree, or certificate of advanced studies at another institution are not transferable.

Find more information on this subject on the official website!

Campus Life



Where to Live?

Northeastern University in Seattle offers a diverse range of neighborhoods within a 5-mile radius where students can find suitable housing options. It's essential to consider factors like rent affordability, proximity to campus, access to public transportation, and safety when choosing a place to live. Here are some neighborhoods to explore:

1.University District (U-District)

Average Rent: The U-District, located right next to campus, offers a mix of apartments, shared housing, and dormitories for approximately \$1,500 to \$2,500 per month.

Public Transport: U-District is well-connected to Northeastern University by bus routes, making commuting easy and convenient.

Crime Index: Generally considered low to medium in terms of crime.

2.Roosevelt

Average Rent: Roosevelt, slightly north of campus offers \$1,300 to \$2,000 per month for apartments and houses in the Roosevelt area.

Public Transport: Public transit options are readily available, with bus routes connecting Roosevelt to the university.

Crime Index: Generally low to medium in terms of crime.

3.Wallingford

Average Rent: Wallingford, located west of the university, provides a mix of housing styles, including apartments, townhouses, and single-family homes for approximately \$1800 to \$3000 per month.

Public Transport: Public transportation options, including bus routes, are accessible from Wallingford to Northeastern University.

Crime Index: Generally considered low.

4.Capitol Hill

Average Rent: Capitol Hill, slightly south of campus, is known for its vibrant atmosphere and diverse housing options. Rents can range from \$1800 to \$3500 per month.

Public Transport: Capitol Hill offers excellent access to public transportation, including light rail connections.

Crime Index: Generally medium in terms of crime.

Where to Live?

5.Fremont

Average Rent: Fremont, situated to the northwest, offers a mix of apartments and townhouses for around \$1500 to \$2500 per month.

Public Transport: Public transit options are accessible, including bus routes to the university.

Crime Index: Generally considered low to medium in terms of crime.

6.Belltown

Average Rent: \$2,000 to \$3,500 per month for apartments and condos in Belltown.

Public Transport: Belltown has convenient access to public transportation, including bus routes and the nearby light rail.

Crime Index: Generally medium in terms of crime, with variations by location within Belltown.

When deciding where to live, consider your budget, lifestyle preferences, and commuting needs. It's advisable to visit potential neighborhoods and consult local resources for the most up-to-date information on rents, public transportation routes, and safety. Additionally, reaching out to Northeastern University's housing office can provide valuable guidance and resources for finding suitable accommodation near campus.

Getting to Campus

Northeastern University's Seattle campus is conveniently located, and students have multiple transportation options from various surrounding neighborhoods.

Depending on where you choose to live, you can access the campus using public transportation, cycling, or walking. Here are the transportation options from the key neighborhoods we discussed earlier:

1. From University District (U-District):

Public Transit: The U-District is within walking distance of the Northeastern University campus. Many students prefer to walk or bike to campus, as it's incredibly convenient. Additionally, there are bus routes connecting the U-District to other parts of the city for those who prefer public transit.

2. From Roosevelt:

Public Transit: Roosevelt is well-connected to Northeastern University by bus routes. You can easily catch a bus to campus from various locations in the neighborhood. It's a convenient option for those who prefer public transit.

3. From Wallingford:

Public Transit: Wallingford is also accessible by several bus routes. You can catch a bus to the university from different points in Wallingford. Consider using apps like OneBusAway or King County Metro's Trip Planner for real-time information.

Biking: Wallingford to the university is a bike-friendly route. Many students choose to cycle, and the campus provides bike racks for secure storage.

4. From Capitol Hill:

Public Transit: Capitol Hill offers excellent access to public transportation, including the light rail. You can take the Link light rail from Capitol Hill Station to the University of Washington Station, which is a short walk from Northeastern University.

Walking: For those living in the southern part of Capitol Hill, it's also feasible to walk to campus, although it's a bit of a longer walk.

5. From Fremont:

Public Transit: Fremont is served by various bus routes that connect to Northeastern University. Check the King County Metro for bus schedules and routes.

Biking: Fremont is a bike-friendly neighborhood, and cycling to campus is a viable option. The Burke-Gilman Trail provides a scenic route.

6. From Belltown:

Public Transit: Belltown has convenient access to public transportation, including bus routes and the nearby light rail. You can catch a bus to the university or use the light rail for a portion of your journey.

Walking: Depending on where you are in Belltown, you can walk to the university. It's a bit of a longer walk from the southern parts of Belltown, but it's a viable option for those who enjoy walking.

Additional Tips:

- a. U-Pass: Many students at Northeastern University use the U-Pass, which provides unlimited rides on King County Metro buses, Sound Transit buses, and light rail. Check with the university's transportation office for U-Pass availability and details.

- b. Biking: Seattle is a bike-friendly city with dedicated bike lanes and bike-sharing programs. Consider getting a bike if you're comfortable with cycling, as it can be a convenient and eco-friendly way to get to campus.

- c. Carpooling: If you prefer to drive, consider carpooling with fellow students to reduce costs and minimize environmental impact.

Remember to plan your commute according to your class schedule and personal preferences. The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and King County Metro provide resources for real-time transportation information, including schedules and updates.

Buildings on Campus

Northeastern University – Seattle Campus Hours

401 Terry Ave N, Suite 103, Seattle, WA 98109

(Intersection of Terry Ave N and Republican St.)

Operational Hours:

- Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
- Friday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Saturday-Sunday: Closed

225 Terry Ave N, Suite 102, Seattle, WA 98109

(Intersection of Terry Ave N and Thomas St.)

Operational Hours:

- Monday-Friday: 8:00 am – 10:00 pm
- Saturday: 8:30 am – 9:00 pm
- Sunday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact Information:

- Phone: (206) 467-5480
- Toll-Free: (855) 476-3391
- Email: seattle@northeastern.edu

Introduction

Northeastern University–Seattle Campus is proud to be Washington State’s first private research university. Our presence in this vibrant region is a result of extensive discussions with the Seattle community, recognizing the alignment of our strengths in graduate education and research with the region's economic development and workforce demands.

Location

Our Seattle regional campus, established in 2013, is situated in South Lake Union, an epicenter of innovation and discovery. South Lake Union is home to a diverse array of companies and institutions that share our vision, making it a dynamic hub for cutting-edge thought leaders, innovation, and daily research breakthroughs.

Industry-Aligned Graduate Programs

We offer a portfolio of online and hybrid graduate degree and certificate programs tailored to meet the needs of the region's employers. Our programs encompass fields such as computer science, bioinformatics, global studies, and project management. If you aim to enter a high-demand field, our unique Align program equips you with the knowledge and experience needed for a successful transition, regardless of your undergraduate background.

Seattle Community Engagement

Beyond our graduate programs, Northeastern actively fosters research collaborations with local companies and institutions in Seattle. Our faculty members bring expertise from industry leaders such as Boeing, Amazon, Twitter, and Microsoft, ensuring our academic offerings align with the needs and aspirations of our community. We are committed to being a valuable partner in the Seattle community, contributing to its growth and innovation.



Exploring Seattle's Food Map: A Culinary Tour of the City's Global Flavors

Seattle is a city that boasts an impressive culinary scene, with a diverse array of global flavors to explore. The city's food map is as varied as it is delicious, with neighborhoods scattered throughout the city offering unique flavors and cuisines from around the world.

Seattle is divided into seven geographic regions: Downtown Seattle, Central Seattle, West Seattle, North Seattle, South Seattle, Northeast Seattle, and Southeast Seattle. Each of these regions has its own unique culinary identity, and exploring the city's food map is a great way to discover the flavors that make Seattle so special.

One of the most notable features of Seattle's food map is the city's global food scene. From sushi in the International District to Ethiopian cuisine in the Central District, Seattle's diverse population has given rise to a wide range of international restaurants and markets. Here are some of the areas in Seattle where global cuisine is centered:

International District: This neighborhood is home to Seattle's Chinatown and Japantown, and is known for its excellent Asian cuisine. Restaurants here serve everything from traditional dim sum to Korean barbecue, and there are also a number of markets selling fresh produce, seafood, and specialty ingredients.

Central District: The Central District is one of Seattle's most diverse neighborhoods, and it's home to a number of excellent African, Caribbean, and Middle Eastern restaurants. From Somali cuisine at Cafe Ibex to Trinidadian fare at Island Soul, there's no shortage of delicious options in this vibrant part of the city.

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Capitol Hill: This neighborhood is known for its trendy restaurants and bars, but it's also home to a number of global eateries. From the delicious Venezuelan arepas at Paseo to the Thai street food at Soi, there's something for everyone in Capitol Hill.

University District: The University District is home to the University of Washington, and it's also a great place to find global cuisine. From the Nepalese dumplings at Cafe Yumm to the Taiwanese street food at Facing East, there's no shortage of delicious options for hungry students and locals alike.

West Seattle: This neighborhood is located across Elliott Bay from downtown Seattle, and it's home to some of the city's best Mexican food. From the delicious tacos at Taqueria La Fondita to the authentic Oaxacan cuisine at Los Agaves, West Seattle is a great place to explore Seattle's Latin American flavors.

Northgate: Northgate is located in North Seattle, and it's home to a number of excellent East Asian restaurants. From the Japanese ramen at Ramen Danbo to the Korean barbecue at Old Village BBQ, there's no shortage of delicious options in this part of the city.

No matter where you go in Seattle, you're sure to find something delicious to eat. Whether you're in the mood for global cuisine or local favorites, the city's food map is a great way to explore the many flavors of Seattle. So grab your appetite and get ready to discover the culinary delights of the Emerald City!



Discover Downtown Seattle's Best Eateries: A Guide to the Most Famous Restaurants near Seattle Campus

Downtown Seattle near 225 and 401 Terry Avenue is home to some of the city's most renowned restaurants. From farm-to-table cuisine to classic Italian dishes, there's something to satisfy every palate. Here are some of the most famous restaurants in the area:

1. Terra Plata - Located on Melrose Avenue, Terra Plata features farm-to-table dishes with a focus on Mediterranean and Spanish flavors. They source their ingredients locally, so their menu changes seasonally to ensure the freshest ingredients. Try their lamb meatballs or the grilled octopus carpaccio for a taste of the Mediterranean.
2. Wild Ginger - Located on 3rd Avenue, Wild Ginger offers a menu of Southeast Asian cuisine with a focus on Thai, Chinese, and Vietnamese dishes. Their popular Seven Flavor Beef and fragrant Green Papaya Salad are must-tries.
3. The Pink Door - Tucked away on Post Alley, The Pink Door offers classic Italian cuisine in a unique setting. They have a lively atmosphere with live entertainment, including aerial performances and burlesque shows. Try their classic Spaghetti Carbonara or their delicious seafood dishes.
4. Orfeo - Located on 3rd Avenue, Orfeo is a chic and modern Italian restaurant that serves up contemporary takes on classic dishes. Their house-made pasta dishes and wood-fired pizzas are a must-try.
5. Serious Pie - For pizza lovers, Serious Pie on Virginia Street is a must-visit. Their wood-fired pizzas are made with locally-sourced ingredients and cooked to perfection in a 600-degree oven. Try the Yukon Gold potato or fennel sausage pizza for a unique twist on the classic pie.

From locals to visitors, these restaurants located near 225 and 401 Terry Avenue offer a diverse range of culinary delights that are sure to impress with their unique flavors. Don't hesitate to make a reservation and experience some of the best cuisine Seattle has to offer.



Seattle's Best Chinese Restaurants: Discover the Authentic Flavors of the East

Seattle is known for its diverse culinary scene, and its Chinese cuisine is no exception. From traditional dim sum to spicy Szechuan fare, there's a wide range of options available to satisfy any craving. Here are some of the best Chinese restaurants in Seattle that offer an authentic taste of the East.

Din Tai Fung

Din Tai Fung has a reputation as one of the best Chinese restaurants in the world, and its Seattle location lives up to that standard. Famous for its xiao long bao, or soup dumplings, Din Tai Fung offers a variety of other dishes such as noodles, fried rice, and vegetable plates. The restaurant's minimalist decor and open kitchen add to its appeal.

Dough Zone

Dough Zone is another popular dumpling spot that offers a wide range of dim sum and noodle dishes. Their dumplings are made fresh daily, and the menu offers a mix of traditional and innovative flavors. The cozy atmosphere and affordable prices make Dough Zone a favorite among locals.

Seven Stars Pepper

Seven Stars Pepper specializes in Szechuan cuisine, known for its bold, spicy flavors. Their dishes are not for the faint of heart, but the heat is balanced with a depth of flavor that keeps diners coming back for more. The restaurant's casual atmosphere and generous portions make it a great spot for a group meal.

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Xi'an Noodles

Xi'an Noodles offers hand-pulled noodles and other dishes from China's Shaanxi province. The menu is small but packs a punch of flavor, and the restaurant's simple decor and friendly staff create a welcoming environment. Be sure to try their spicy cumin lamb noodles.

Spicy Style of Sichuan

Spicy Style of Sichuan is a gem of a restaurant offers authentic Sichuan cuisine in a cozy and welcoming atmosphere. The restaurant is known for its bold flavors, particularly its use of the famous Sichuan peppercorns that provide a distinct numbing sensation in the mouth. Some of the must-try dishes at Spicy Style of Sichuan include the Mapo Tofu, a spicy and savory tofu and ground pork dish, and spicy snails, which are snails tossed in a spicy and nutty sauce. The restaurant also offers a variety of hot pot options, which allow diners to customize their own broth and choose from a range of meats, vegetables, and other ingredients. For those looking for something a bit more adventurous, Spicy Style of Sichuan also offers unique dishes like the Spicy Frog and the Spicy Rabbit, which are sure to tantalize the taste buds. And for those who can't handle the heat, the restaurant also offers milder options that are just as flavorful.

Seattle's Chinese food scene is full of delicious options, and these restaurants are just a few of the best. Whether you're a fan of traditional dishes or looking to try something new, these spots are sure to satisfy your cravings for authentic Chinese cuisine.

Savor the Spice: Explore Seattle's Best Indian Restaurants

Seattle's culinary scene is both vibrant and diverse, featuring a wide range of restaurants that serve cuisine from all over the world. Indian restaurants, in particular, have become a beloved and popular option among locals and visitors alike, and have established themselves as a staple in the city's dining landscape. Whether you are in the mood for traditional curries or modern fusion dishes, Seattle's Indian restaurants cater to all taste preferences, making them a great choice for anyone seeking a flavorful and satisfying meal.

Spice Room: Located in the Capitol Hill neighborhood, Spice Room is a favorite among locals for its authentic and flavorful Indian cuisine. The restaurant offers a range of vegetarian and non-vegetarian options, including tandoori chicken, lamb vindaloo, and a variety of delicious curries. Spice Room also offers a lunch buffet, which is a great option for those looking to sample a variety of dishes.

Saffron Spice: This cozy and intimate restaurant in the University District offers a range of traditional Indian dishes, as well as fusion options that incorporate flavors from other cuisines. Popular menu items include chicken tikka masala, lamb korma, and paneer makhani. Saffron Spice also offers a variety of vegetarian and vegan options.

Taste of India: This family-owned restaurant in the Fremont neighborhood has been serving up delicious Indian cuisine for over 30 years. The menu features a range of classic dishes, including biryani, samosas, and naan bread, as well as a variety of vegetarian and non-vegetarian curries. Taste of India also offers a lunch buffet, which is a great value for those looking to sample a variety of dishes.

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Spice Room Ballard: This newer location of the popular Spice Room restaurant is located in the Ballard neighborhood and offers the same delicious and authentic Indian cuisine. The restaurant features a stylish and modern interior, and offers a range of vegetarian and non-vegetarian options, including a variety of tandoori dishes, curries, and biryanis.

Chutneys Queen Anne: This casual and laid-back restaurant in the Queen Anne neighborhood offers a range of classic Indian dishes, as well as fusion options that incorporate flavors from other cuisines. Popular menu items include butter chicken, lamb rogan josh, and a variety of vegetarian curries. Chutneys also offers a lunch buffet, which is a great option for those looking to sample a variety of dishes.

Overall, Seattle's Indian restaurants offer a wide range of delicious and authentic cuisine, and are definitely worth exploring for anyone looking to satisfy their cravings for spicy and flavorful food. Whether you're a longtime fan of Indian cuisine or are looking to try it for the first time, these restaurants are sure to impress.



Clubs and Organizations

Exploring Student Interest Groups (SIGs)

When you step into the vibrant campus of Northeastern University (NU) in Seattle, you're not just joining an academic institution; you're becoming part of a diverse and engaging community. One of the best ways to enrich your NU experience, foster personal growth, and connect with fellow students who share your interests is by becoming a part of Student Interest Groups (SIGs).

What is a Student Interest Group (SIG)?

Student Interest Groups, commonly referred to as SIGs, are informal gatherings of like-minded students who come together to explore, discuss, and engage in activities centered around a specific topic or shared interest. These groups are not officially recognized student clubs by the Graduate Student Government at Northeastern University, but they are a vital part of the social fabric of our Seattle regional campus. The Student Affairs office maintains a list of all active SIGs and their respective officers.

Why Should You Join a SIG?

Joining a SIG offers a multitude of benefits that extend beyond the classroom. Here's why you should consider becoming a part of these informal student groups:

1. **Personal Growth:** SIGs provide an avenue for personal development. Whether you're looking to enhance your leadership skills, improve your event planning abilities, or fine-tune your decision-making and communication skills, SIGs offer valuable opportunities to learn and grow.

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2. **Community Building:** College life is about more than just coursework. SIGs enable you to build a community and establish meaningful connections with fellow students, faculty, and staff who share your passions.

3. **Skill Development:** Through active involvement in SIGs, you can acquire a diverse set of skills, including fiscal stewardship and marketing. These practical skills can be applied to real-world situations and future career endeavors.

4. **Memorable Experiences:** Joining a SIG can make your time at NU in Seattle more enjoyable and memorable. You'll have the chance to participate in exciting events, engage in discussions, and collaborate on projects related to your interests.

Diversity Statement

Northeastern University in Seattle is committed to fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment where individuals from all backgrounds, identities, and experiences can thrive. This commitment extends to our SIGs, which are dedicated to upholding these principles.

We believe in forging connections across our diverse campus neighborhoods, promoting dialogue, and celebrating the unique perspectives that each student brings to our community. To explore the full list of SIGs available at our Seattle campus and find the perfect group to join, please visit our Student Life website.

At Northeastern University, the journey extends beyond the classroom. Join a SIG, and embark on an exciting adventure of personal growth, camaraderie, and discovery while contributing to our thriving community.



Graduate Student of Color Collective

In the ever-evolving landscape of academia, diversity and inclusion have become more than just buzzwords; they are essential elements of creating a vibrant and representative educational environment. At Northeastern University, the Graduate Student of Color Collective (GSCC) stands as a beacon of progress, offering a community, fostering education, professionalism, and civic duty among Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) graduate students. This dynamic organization seeks to build bridges, provide support, and create a sense of belonging for BIPOC individuals on all Northeastern University campuses.

A Purpose Beyond the Ordinary

The GSCC is driven by a powerful mission: to build a strong and united community of domestic and international BIPOC graduate students. This mission goes beyond the classroom; it aims to encompass the entire university experience. By emphasizing the values of education, professionalism, and civic duty, the GSCC aims to empower its members and create positive change within the broader academic community.

1. Fostering Education: Empowering Minds

Education is the cornerstone of any academic institution, and the GSCC understands that BIPOC students should have access to the resources, opportunities, and support they need to thrive in their academic pursuits. This collective offers a range of initiatives designed to empower BIPOC graduate students to excel in their studies.

From mentorship programs to academic workshops and study groups, the GSCC provides a nurturing environment that encourages intellectual growth. The exchange of ideas, experiences, and knowledge within this community is invaluable, helping BIPOC graduate students to not only succeed academically but also contribute to the academic discourse in meaningful ways.

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2. Promoting Professionalism: Building Futures

Education is the gateway to a brighter future, and the GSCC recognizes that the journey doesn't end with graduation. To bridge the gap between academia and the professional world, this collective offers a range of resources and networking opportunities.

Professional development workshops, career fairs, and networking events connect BIPOC graduate students with industry professionals and potential employers. This ensures that these students are well-prepared to enter their chosen fields and contribute their unique perspectives to the workforce.

3. Civic Duty: Giving Back and Making a Difference

The GSCC takes its commitment to civic duty seriously. It acknowledges the continued struggles of marginalized populations, and it believes that those who have succeeded in higher education should give back to their communities. Through various community engagement initiatives, the GSCC encourages its members to be active participants in social change.

From volunteering opportunities to community outreach programs, the GSCC instills a sense of responsibility and a desire to effect positive change in the world. BIPOC graduate students are not just encouraged to excel academically and professionally; they are also motivated to be advocates for justice and equality.

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A Home for Higher Education

Perhaps one of the most crucial roles of the GSCC is its commitment to building lasting relationships between BIPOC students, staff, faculty, and alumni. In doing so, it creates a true sense of home within the Northeastern University community. This sense of belonging is essential for fostering personal and academic growth.

By providing a supportive and inclusive environment, the GSCC ensures that BIPOC students feel valued and heard. It gives them a platform to share their experiences, challenges, and successes, ultimately enriching the university's cultural fabric.

In conclusion, the Graduate Student of Color Collective at Northeastern University is a powerful force for change and progress in higher education. By promoting education, professionalism, and civic duty among BIPOC graduate students, the GSCC not only empowers its members but also enriches the academic community as a whole. It is an inspiring example of how diversity and inclusion can be celebrated and leveraged to create a brighter and more inclusive future for all.



Safety

Personal Safety Escorts

We want you to feel safe anywhere you go on campus. If you need to be accompanied from one point to another, you can arrange for a personal safety escort any time of day. You'll need to provide your name, Northeastern ID number, and location. Safety escorts usually arrive in 10 to 15 minutes. Call 617.373.2121 to schedule a safety escort pick-up.

Restrictions The safety escort service is not intended to be a taxi service. Transportation will not be provided to workplaces, restaurants, airports, bus terminals, and so on. Students who display disruptive behavior or are intoxicated may not use this service. Transportation will not be provided for students accompanied by pets or animals.

RedEye Off-Campus Safety Escort

If you need a ride at night, the RedEye—an off-campus safety escort—is available for students who live within two miles of the center of campus. Every night from 5 p.m. until 6 a.m., the RedEye van will pick students up at Snell Library. In order to use this escort, you must book a ride in advance using the RedEye App or you can book a ride at the RedEye dispatch center located at the Northeast Security office in the Ruggles Substation.

Safety

SafeZone Mobile Safety App

SafeZone is a smart phone app that any student or staff member can download and use for free. This App will connect you directly to the Northeastern University Police Department should you need our assistance or emergency support while you are on campus. Download the REDEYE app in App Store and Google Play.

SafeZone uses the latest GPS technology to give you peace of mind wherever your experiential learning takes you. It's free for all Northeastern students, faculty, and staff. Inside the designated SafeZone areas, the app provides you with immediate access to the NUPD.

Emergency: If you feel threatened or need urgent assistance

Medical Assistance: If you're injured and need medical care

Check-In: To share your location with the NUPD if you're traveling, studying, or working on campus during non-business hours

Notifications: If there's an incident on campus that requires you to take action

Help Desk: For general, non-emergency inquiries about campus safety services

Privacy: You're never tracked unless you send an alert or check-in

Health

UHS

Northeastern University is committed to the well-being of its students, both in terms of physical and mental health. To support the diverse needs of our student community, we have established the University Health and Counseling Services (UHCS). Our goal is to provide comprehensive healthcare solutions that revolve around you, the student.

Accessing Healthcare Services

For students seeking healthcare support, our dedicated webpage, <https://www.northeastern.edu/uahcs/>, serves as a valuable resource. Here, you can find information on how to access primary care services, as well as immediate assistance for health concerns.

Emergency Contacts

In the event of an emergency on campus, please reach out to the Northeastern University Police Department at 617.373.3333. For off-campus emergencies, do not hesitate to call 911 or visit your nearest emergency department.

Immediate Health Support

We understand that health issues may arise at any time, and that's why we offer round-the-clock support through the Find@Northeastern service. You can contact this 24/7 mental health support line at 877.233.9477 (U.S.), 855.229.8797 (Canada), or +1.781.457.7777 (International). This service ensures that you always have someone to turn to, no matter when or where you need assistance.

Health

Office Hours

Our physical location at the Forsyth Building, 1st Floor, 70 Forsyth Street, Boston, MA 02115, is open during specific hours:

- Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM EST
- Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM EST
- Saturday: 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM EST

During these hours, you can access same-day visits to address your healthcare needs.

Contact Information

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us at 617.373.2772 or via email at uhcs@northeastern.edu.

Mental Health Support: Find@Northeastern

At Northeastern, we recognize the importance of mental health support. That's why we offer Find@Northeastern, a service designed to provide immediate access to mental health support and resources whenever you need it. With just one call, you can connect with a licensed mental health provider who is there to listen, respond, and offer assistance.

Health

Find@Northeastern offers:

- Immediate support with a licensed mental health provider
- Unlimited free counseling sessions
- Personal assistance in finding and scheduling the help you need
- Video counseling options for your convenience
- Access to SilverCloud, a digital on-demand mental health and well-being platform with customized strategies for managing depression, anxiety, sleep issues, stress, resilience, and more
- Free access to Headspace

All full-time degree-seeking students are eligible for Find@Northeastern, ensuring that you have the support you need to navigate life's challenges.

We understand that there are moments when we can all feel anxious, sad, or alone. Find@Northeastern is here to provide you with a vital first step towards finding the support, resources, and tools you need to discover your distinctive way forward.

For immediate mental health support, contact Find@Northeastern at:

- 877.233.9477 (in the U.S.)
- 855.229.8797 (Canada)
- +1.781.457.7777 (International)

****Your well-being is our priority, and Northeastern University is dedicated to helping you thrive academically, mentally, and physically. Reach out whenever you need support, and remember, you're never alone on your journey.****



Health Insurance

The health and well-being of students is of paramount importance, and at Blue Cross Massachusetts, we take pride in offering a comprehensive and student-focused health insurance plan known as the PPO Student Health Plan. Our commitment to providing top-notch healthcare coverage ensures that students have access to the medical care they need, giving them peace of mind during their academic journey.

One of the standout features of our PPO Student Health Plan is its exceptional coverage. We understand that medical expenses can be a burden, so we've designed this plan to offer extensive benefits. Furthermore, for those under the age of 18, there's an added bonus: Dental Blue Pediatric Essential Benefits. This means that not only do you have access to medical care, but you can also maintain your dental health, a crucial aspect of overall well-being.

Navigating the intricacies of health insurance can sometimes be overwhelming, but we've made it simple for our students. All the specifics you need can be easily accessed through your online account. There, you'll find a wealth of information regarding your medical benefits, allowing you to make informed decisions about your healthcare.

When it comes to seeking medical attention, we've also simplified the process. For non-emergency situations, such as routine check-ups or manageable health concerns, we recommend starting with a visit to your primary care physician. These healthcare professionals can address a wide range of health issues and serve as your initial point of contact.

If your condition requires specialized care or further consultations, your primary care physician will guide you to the appropriate specialists. We believe in a coordinated approach to healthcare, ensuring that you receive the best possible treatment.

In cases of unexpected health issues that require immediate attention but are not life-threatening, urgent care centers are the way to go. These facilities offer quick and efficient medical assistance for a wide range of ailments, allowing you to get back to your studies without undue delay.

However, for situations that are genuinely life-threatening or extremely urgent, the emergency room (ER) is the place to be. Our insurance plan covers emergency services, ensuring that you receive prompt and critical care when you need it most.

At Blue Cross Massachusetts, we prioritize the health and well-being of students. Our PPO Student Health Plan, with its exceptional coverage, access to dental benefits, and user-friendly online resources, is designed to support your healthcare needs during your educational journey. We believe in making healthcare accessible, straightforward, and dependable, so you can focus on your studies and personal growth with confidence in your health coverage.



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Plan **PPO**
 Office Visit **\$15**
 Specialist Copay **\$15**
 Emergency **\$75**
 Deductible **\$50**



Mental Health

When students grapple with mental health challenges, it becomes imperative to seek out the necessary care and support. Here, we present a range of options for students to consider in their pursuit of well-being:

1. **Campus Counseling Services:** Within the hallowed halls of many universities and colleges, there lie sanctuary-like counseling centers. Here, compassionate and trained mental health professionals stand ready to offer confidential guidance and solace to students contending with an array of mental health tribulations. Whether it be the weight of stress, the grip of anxiety, the shadows of depression, or the complexities of interpersonal relationships, these centers often serve as a convenient and approachable haven for students.

2. **Local Mental Health Professionals:** There may come moments when students yearn for, or require, specialized mental health care that extends beyond the scope of a campus counseling center. In such instances, the search for assistance from local mental health experts—be they psychologists, psychiatrists, or therapists—may yield profound benefits. Frequently, university health services or counseling centers can facilitate connections by providing trusted referrals to professionals within the community.

3. **Teletherapy Services:** In this age of digital connectivity, the realm of teletherapy, also recognized as online counseling or virtual therapy, has surged to the forefront. It offers students the ability to engage with licensed therapists and counselors via secure video or telephone calls. This option holds particular appeal for those students whose access to in-person mental health services may be constrained by distance or circumstance.

Mental Health

4. Crisis Hotlines: When crisis descends or immediate assistance becomes imperative, students should not hesitate to reach out to crisis hotlines. Services such as the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-TALK) and crisis text lines extend their support and guidance 24/7, unfurling a lifeline in the darkest hours.

5. Support Groups: For some students, the camaraderie of support groups—whether convened in person or through online platforms—proves invaluable. These forums furnish a sacred space where individuals grappling with akin mental health trials can openly exchange experiences, unveil coping strategies, and extend the hand of emotional support.

6. Self-Help Resources: Many universities furnish a trove of self-help materials, workshops, and online programs tailored to address diverse mental health concerns. These resources serve as a vital starting point for students inclined to explore coping mechanisms autonomously.

7. Faculty and Academic Advisors: At times, the initial step towards healing can manifest through a heart-to-heart conversation with a trusted faculty member or academic advisor. These mentors offer more than academic guidance; they extend a compass of direction, connecting students with pertinent resources while imparting understanding and unwavering support.

8. Health Insurance Coverage: It is imperative to ensure that your health insurance plan, including any student health plan in your possession, incorporates coverage for mental health services. Many insurance schemes embrace the provision of therapy and psychiatric assistance, safeguarding your well-being.

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9. Friends and Family: Never underestimate the potency of a support network. Candidly sharing your struggles with friends and family members can invoke profound emotional support and encouragement. Additionally, they may lend a helping hand in forging connections with the requisite resources.

It is crucial for students to recognize that seeking help for mental health concerns is not an emblem of weakness but a testament to their strength and resilience. The choice of where to embark on this journey may vary, influenced by the gravity of the situation, individual preferences, and the canvas of available resources. Above all, the paramount endeavor is to extend a hand, reach out, and secure the support indispensable for tending to mental health matters and nurturing overall well-being.



Seattle Campus Resources: Staff and Academic Support.



Co-Op and Experiential Learning

Northeastern University is renowned for its experiential learning opportunities, particularly through its Cooperative Education (Co-Op) program. This program extends to both undergraduate and graduate students, providing valuable real-world experience and industry connections. Here's what graduate students need to know about Co-Op and experiential learning at Northeastern:

1. Cooperative Education (Co-Op).

Co-Op is a hallmark of Northeastern's education model. It allows graduate students to work in full-time, paid positions related to their field of study for six months to one year, gaining hands-on experience while earning academic credit.

Eligibility: Co-Op opportunities are available for many graduate programs, but eligibility criteria may vary. Consult with your academic advisor and program director to determine if Co-Op is an option for your specific program.

Benefits: Co-Op provides graduate students with practical skills, industry connections, and an understanding of how their academic studies translate into real-world applications. It can enhance your resume, improve career prospects, and often lead to job offers.

Process: The Co-Op process involves career counseling, job searching, and interview preparation provided by the university's career services. Students are typically required to complete preparatory coursework before embarking on their Co-Op experience.

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2. Experiential Learning Beyond Co-Op

Research Opportunities: Graduate students at Northeastern have access to extensive research opportunities. Faculty-led projects, research assistantships, and collaborations with industry partners offer valuable research experience.

Internships: In addition to Co-Op, internships are available in various sectors. They are typically shorter in duration, making them flexible options for graduate students to gain practical experience during their studies.

3. Integration with Curriculum

Credit-bearing Experiences: Co-Op and other experiential learning opportunities are often integrated into the curriculum, allowing graduate students to earn academic credit while gaining hands-on experience. These experiences are part of your academic journey.

Flexible Scheduling: Northeastern understands the importance of balancing academic and experiential commitments. Many programs offer flexible scheduling to accommodate Co-Op and internship experiences.

4. Career Services and Support

Career Advising: The university offers comprehensive career advising and support services to help you identify and secure experiential learning opportunities aligned with your career goals.

Networking: Northeastern's extensive network of alumni and industry connections can facilitate access to valuable Co-Op and job opportunities.

5. Global Opportunities

International Co-Op: Northeastern offers international Co-Op opportunities, allowing graduate students to gain international work experience and cultural exposure.

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6. Post-Graduation Outcomes

Employment Success: Graduate students who have completed Co-Op and experiential learning at Northeastern often have a competitive advantage in the job market. Many secure job offers from their Co-Op employers.

Networking: Co-Op experiences help you build a professional network, which can be instrumental in your career advancement.

Co-Op and experiential learning are integral components of the Northeastern University experience for graduate students. These opportunities empower you to apply classroom knowledge in real-world settings, enhancing your skills, marketability, and career trajectory. Consult with your program advisors and career services to explore the possibilities and make the most of your time at Northeastern.

Library Resources

3D Printing Studio

3D Printing Studio Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Get Started with Your 3D Project

We have made an order form for you to submit orders to the studio. After filling out the form below, please email your files to the studio email at nu3dprintstudio@gmail.com.

Order Form

Name:

Email:

Requested printer:

Color/Material:

Notes:(Please include the objects dimensions):

Almost any geometry from a computer model in three dimensions can be printed, whether it was designed in AutoCAD, SolidWorks, Maya, Rhino, ZBrush, Google Sketchup, MatLab, or another modeling program. However, there can be some extra steps involved to make your models 3D printable. Check out our guidelines below to find out more.

Modeling & Exporting for 3D Printing Tips & Tricks

Google SketchUp

If you're new to 3D modeling, Google Sketchup is a simple place to start. Check out our SketchUp guidelines to model and export for 3D printing:

Solidworks

If you have an assembly, which you save as an STL, SolidWorks defaults to saving your components as separate STLs. This is usually what is desired and best for 3D printing. However, you can save the assembly as one STL by going to File>Save As, select STL from the drop down menu, click Options and check “save all components of an assembly in a single file.” Be sure units are in millimeters, as the slicer programs use them.

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Rhino

Before you export an .STL from Rhino, change your units to millimeters. 3D printing software reads units as millimeters, so if you export a model that is .25x.25x.25 feet in Rhino, it will show up in our software as being .25x.25x.25 mm. Also check out the tutorial below:

Maya

Maya 2019 has the option for STLEXP. 2018 does not support polygon export as STLs, it has to be a Nurbs object. For other versions: If you do not see STL as an option to export a model as, you must go to Windows>Settings/Preferences>Plug-in Manager, then scroll to find the “DirectConnect.mll.” Check “Loaded” and “AutoLoad” next to this option and close the Plug-in Manager. Now when you go to export the model you should see STL_DCE as an option.

Working at the 3D Printing Studio

Every semester, we hire undergraduate work study students for part time work. We also accept undergraduate volunteers. If you are interested in either, please fill out this form and speak with the Studio Manager during studio hours!

The Fine Print

The 3D Printing Studio must be used exclusively for lawful, non-commercial purposes and in compliance with all Northeastern University policies. Users may not collect, upload, transmit, display, create or distribute any thing or content that violates or may violate any law or third-party right, including, without limitation, any copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, moral right, privacy right, right of publicity, or any other intellectual property or proprietary right. The 3D Printing Studio reserves the right to refuse to scan or print any object for any reason.

NU-Works

Overview

Northeastern is proud to offer this streamlined tool to match Northeastern employer partners and Northeastern learners with co-op, internship openings, and full-time and part-time employment opportunities. More than a million employers have leveraged Symplicity to post jobs, find top talent, and manage on-campus recruiting, and we are proud to join the Symplicity family.

How is NUworks USED?

Northeastern students and alumni who have 0-4 years of work experience can use NUworks to research and apply for internships, co-op, full-time, post-graduation, and project-based (XN) opportunities.

Employers use NUworks to post/promote post-graduation and co-op jobs, review job applications, and manage their participation in career-related events sponsored by Northeastern. An Employer Registration Approval must be submitted and approved prior to posting a job. Students may access NUworks directly at nuworks.northeastern.edu/students/ or utilize the link on MyNortheastern. NUworks utilizes Northeastern's identity manage system and requires an active Student or Alumni account

Career & Co-op Staff use NUworks to communicate with students, alumni, and employers to promote and manage career-related events sponsored by Northeastern.

How should I get started with NUworks?

The 'Pathways' module provides you with a checklist of recommended steps student should take to prepare for a job search on NUworks.

These steps include:

- Updating your personal profile
- Completing your Career Interests
- Reviewing your privacy settings
- Uploading one or more Resumes
- Publishing a Public Profile
- Downloading the mobile app

Start tracking your progress by clicking [here](#) or find 'Pathways' in the left navigation menu under 'Resources.' Use the 'Getting Started with NUworks' Pathway to track your progress through these steps.

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Neighborhoods Near Seattle Campus

The neighborhoods closest to the Seattle campus are South Lake Union, Capitol Hill, First Hill, Eastlake, Queen Anne, Fremont, Wallingford, the University District, and Ballard.

South Lake Union: Located just north of downtown Seattle, South Lake Union is a rapidly developing neighborhood known for its mix of residential, commercial, and technological spaces. It has transformed from an industrial area to a hub of innovation, with numerous tech companies, research institutions, and biotech firms. South Lake Union also offers a scenic waterfront, trendy restaurants, and a vibrant retail scene.

Capitol Hill: Situated east of downtown, Capitol Hill is one of Seattle's most vibrant and diverse neighborhoods. It is known for its lively nightlife, eclectic dining options, and a thriving arts and music scene. Capitol Hill is also home to Seattle Central College and several trendy boutiques, coffee shops, and independent bookstores. The neighborhood features a mix of historic architecture and modern developments.

First Hill: Nestled just east of downtown, First Hill is a charming neighborhood known for its medical institutions and healthcare facilities. It is often referred to as Seattle's "Pill Hill" due to the numerous hospitals and medical centers located there. First Hill also offers a mix of residential buildings, educational institutions, and green spaces such as Freeway Park.

Eastlake: Eastlake is a neighborhood situated on the eastern shores of Lake Union, just north of downtown. It offers picturesque views of the lake and the city skyline. Eastlake is primarily residential, with a mix of single-family homes, apartments, and houseboats. It has a laid-back atmosphere and is known for its waterfront parks, local restaurants, and easy access to recreational activities on the lake.

Queen Anne: Queen Anne is a diverse neighborhood located just north of downtown Seattle. It features a mix of historic homes, modern condominiums, and apartment buildings. Queen Anne Hill, after which the neighborhood is named, offers stunning views of the city and surrounding areas. The neighborhood is known for its tree-lined streets, boutique shops, theaters, and beautiful parks like Kerry Park.

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Fremont: Fremont is a quirky and artistic neighborhood situated just north of the Lake Union. It is known for its bohemian atmosphere, public art installations (including the famous Fremont Troll), and a variety of local businesses. Fremont hosts the annual Solstice Parade, which attracts colorful floats and celebrates the arrival of summer. The neighborhood also offers a range of dining options, craft breweries, and a Sunday market.

Wallingford: Wallingford is a residential neighborhood located north of Lake Union and east of Fremont. It has a relaxed and family-friendly vibe, with tree-lined streets and a mix of architectural styles, including Craftsman homes. Wallingford is home to Gas Works Park, which offers scenic views of downtown Seattle and is a popular spot for outdoor activities. The neighborhood also features a bustling commercial area along 45th Street, with shops, restaurants, and cafes.

University District: Situated near the University of Washington, the University District (or U District) is a lively neighborhood known for its youthful energy and vibrant student life. The neighborhood is home to the University of Washington campus, making it a hub for education, research, and cultural events. The Ave, a stretch of University Way, is lined with shops, ethnic restaurants, and cafes catering to students and locals alike. The U District also has several parks and a popular farmers market.

Ballard: Ballard is a historic neighborhood situated in northwest Seattle with a distinct charm and a rich maritime heritage. Originally an independent city, Ballard was later incorporated into Seattle in 1907. It maintains its unique character, influenced by its Scandinavian roots, which can be seen in its architecture, festivals, and local traditions. The neighborhood boasts a mix of residential streets, trendy boutiques, cozy cafes, and a thriving culinary scene. Ballard is also home to the iconic Ballard Locks, where visitors can watch boats navigate between the Puget Sound and Lake Washington, and explore the beautiful surrounding gardens. With its strong sense of community and maritime atmosphere, Ballard offers a delightful blend of history, culture, and modern amenities.

Seattle



Places to go!

Seattle is a vibrant and diverse city located in the Pacific Northwest region of the United States. Known for its stunning natural scenery, vibrant arts scene, and innovative technology industry, Seattle has something for everyone to enjoy. If you're planning a trip to Seattle, here are some places you shouldn't miss:

Pike Place Market

Pike Place Market is not just a place to shop for fresh produce and seafood, it's also a historic landmark that dates back to 1907. The market covers nine acres and is home to more than 500 vendors, making it one of the largest markets in the country. In addition to food and crafts, the market also has a variety of shops selling books, clothing, and gifts. If you're a coffee lover, be sure to stop by the original Starbucks, which opened here in 1971.

Space Needle

The Space Needle was built for the 1962 World's Fair and quickly became an iconic symbol of Seattle. The observation deck offers 360-degree views of the city and surrounding mountains, and the SpaceBase gift shop at the top sells unique souvenirs. If you're looking for a unique dining experience, consider making a reservation at the revolving SkyCity Restaurant, which offers a gourmet menu and stunning views of the city below.

Chihuly Garden and Glass

The Chihuly Garden and Glass museum showcases the incredible work of glass artist Dale Chihuly, who was born in Tacoma, Washington. The museum features eight galleries, a glasshouse, and a lush garden filled with Chihuly's colorful and intricate glass sculptures. The museum also has a cafe and a gift shop where you can purchase Chihuly-inspired souvenirs.

Seattle Art Museum

The Seattle Art Museum is a world-class museum that showcases a wide range of art from around the globe. The museum's permanent collection includes works by renowned artists such as Pablo Picasso, Georgia O'Keeffe, and Alexander Calder. The museum also hosts rotating exhibitions, lectures, and special events throughout the year.

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Fremont Troll

The Fremont Troll is a unique landmark that was created by four local artists in 1990. The sculpture is located under the Aurora Bridge in the Fremont neighborhood and depicts a troll with one eye, clutching a Volkswagen Beetle in its hand. It's a popular spot for photos and a fun stop on any Seattle itinerary.

Pioneer Square

Pioneer Square is Seattle's oldest neighborhood, dating back to the city's founding in 1852. The area is home to many of Seattle's oldest buildings, including the Smith Tower, which was once the tallest building west of the Mississippi. Today, Pioneer Square is a thriving cultural district with a variety of shops, galleries, and restaurants. Be sure to take a tour of the Underground, which is a network of tunnels and basements beneath the neighborhood that was once the city's main street level.

Kerry Park

Kerry Park is a small park located in the Queen Anne neighborhood that offers some of the best views of Seattle's skyline. From here, you can see the Space Needle, downtown Seattle, and the Olympic Mountains in the distance. The park also has a playground and picnic tables, making it a great spot for families to enjoy.

Museum of Pop Culture

The Museum of Pop Culture, or MoPOP, is a museum dedicated to the history of popular culture. The museum's exhibits cover a wide range of topics, including music, film, television, video games, and more. The museum also hosts special events and concerts throughout the year.

Seattle Great Wheel

The Seattle Great Wheel is a Ferris wheel located on the waterfront that offers stunning views of Elliott Bay and the city skyline. The wheel has 42 fully-enclosed gondolas that can hold up to eight passengers each. The ride takes about 12 minutes and is especially beautiful at night when the city is lit up.

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Gas Works Park

Gas Works Park is a unique park located in the Wallingford neighborhood that was once a former gasification plant. Today, the park is a popular spot for picnics, kite flying, and enjoying views of Lake Union and downtown Seattle. The park's most distinctive feature is the rusted remnants of the gasification plant, which have been repurposed as an industrial sculpture garden.

Hiram M. Chittenden Locks

The Hiram M. Chittenden Locks, also known as the Ballard Locks, is a set of locks that connect Lake Washington and Lake Union to the Puget Sound. Visitors can watch boats and ships pass through the locks, and can also visit the fish ladder, which allows salmon to bypass the locks on their journey to spawn. The locks also have a botanical garden and a visitor center with exhibits on the history of the locks.

Olympic Sculpture Park

The Olympic Sculpture Park is a 9-acre outdoor sculpture museum located on the waterfront. The park features sculptures by renowned artists such as Alexander Calder, Louise Bourgeois, and Mark di Suvero, as well as a variety of plant life and walking paths. The park is free to visit and offers stunning views of Elliott Bay and the Olympic Mountains.

Seattle Aquarium

The Seattle Aquarium is a popular attraction located on the waterfront that features a variety of marine life, including otters, seals, and sharks. The aquarium's exhibits cover topics such as Puget Sound marine life, ocean conservation, and the effects of climate change on the ocean. Visitors can also watch live feedings and touch tanks.

Seattle Japanese Garden

The Seattle Japanese Garden is a peaceful oasis located in the Madison Park neighborhood. The garden features a traditional Japanese design with a koi pond, tea house, and walking paths surrounded by lush plant life. The garden is especially beautiful in the spring when the cherry blossoms are in bloom.

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Washington Park Arboretum

The Washington Park Arboretum is a 230-acre park located near the University of Washington that features a variety of plant collections and walking paths. The park's highlights include the Japanese Garden, a rhododendron collection, and a collection of native Northwest plants. The park is also home to the Graham Visitors Center, which has exhibits and information on the park's history and plant life.

Seattle is a city full of unique attractions and beautiful sights, and these 15 places are just the beginning. Whether you're a first-time visitor or a longtime resident, there's always something new to discover in Seattle.

Things to Do!

Seattle is a city in the Pacific Northwest region of the United States, known for its thriving arts and culture scene, stunning natural surroundings, and abundance of outdoor activities. Whether you are a local or a visitor, there are countless things to see and do in Seattle. In this article, we will introduce you to some of the must-see attractions and activities that make Seattle such a unique and exciting destination. Let's take a closer look at some of the exciting things to do in Seattle:

Attend a Music Festival:

Seattle's music scene is an integral part of its culture and identity, and the city has produced many famous musicians, including Jimi Hendrix, Nirvana, and Pearl Jam. Today, the city continues to be a hub for music lovers, with a thriving live music scene and plenty of opportunities to catch a concert or festival.

In addition to the festivals mentioned above, Seattle also hosts several other music events throughout the year, such as the Capitol Hill Block Party in July and the Northwest Folklife Festival in May. These events showcase a wide range of musical genres, from indie rock to hip-hop, and attract a diverse crowd of music lovers.

Seattle also boasts many iconic music venues, such as the legendary Crocodile Cafe, where bands like Nirvana and Pearl Jam got their start, and the Showbox, a historic theater that has hosted countless famous musicians over the years.

For a more intimate music experience, visitors can check out one of Seattle's many smaller venues, such as the Tractor Tavern in Ballard or the Sunset Tavern in Fremont. These venues often feature up-and-coming artists and local bands, giving visitors a taste of the city's thriving music scene.

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Try the Local Cuisine:

Seattle's food scene is a melting pot of different cultures and flavors, with a strong emphasis on fresh, locally-sourced ingredients. From high-end restaurants to food trucks, there is something for everyone to try. In addition to the iconic dishes mentioned above, visitors can also indulge in Seattle's famous coffee culture, with countless cafes and roasteries dotted throughout the city.

One of Seattle's most famous culinary landmarks is Pike Place Market, a bustling marketplace that has been around for over a century. Here, visitors can browse fresh produce, artisanal foods, and handmade crafts, and even catch a glimpse of the iconic fish throwing at Pike Place Fish Market.

For a more immersive food experience, visitors can also take a food tour of the city, sampling a variety of dishes from different restaurants and food vendors. Some tours even take visitors to lesser-known neighborhoods, allowing them to discover hidden gems and off-the-beaten-path eateries.

Go on a Craft Beer Tour:

Seattle has a thriving craft beer scene, and a craft beer tour is a fantastic way for visitors to discover new beers and learn about the brewing process. Seattle is home to many excellent breweries, ranging from small, independent microbreweries to larger, more established breweries.

One of the best ways to explore Seattle's craft beer scene is by taking a guided brewery tour. Several tour companies offer brewery tours, which typically include visits to multiple breweries, beer tastings, and a behind-the-scenes look at the brewing process. These tours are led by knowledgeable guides who can provide insights into the history and culture of Seattle's craft beer scene, as well as the brewing techniques and ingredients used by local breweries.

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Alternatively, visitors can create their own itinerary and explore Seattle's breweries on their own. Seattle's breweries are spread out across the city, with many clustered in neighborhoods like Ballard and Fremont. Some of the city's most popular breweries include Fremont Brewing Company, Stoup Brewing, and Holy Mountain Brewing Company.

In addition to visiting breweries, visitors can also check out beer bars and taprooms throughout the city, which offer a wide selection of local and regional craft beers. Many of these establishments also offer food menus, making them a great option for lunch or dinner.

Visit a Farmer's Market:

Seattle's farmers' markets are a must-visit for anyone interested in trying fresh, locally grown produce and artisanal foods. These markets provide a unique opportunity to connect with local farmers and producers, as well as discover new flavors and ingredients.

One of the most popular farmers' markets in Seattle is the Pike Place Market. Located in the heart of downtown Seattle, Pike Place Market has been a fixture of the city since 1907. It features over 80 vendors, including farmers, fishmongers, and artisanal food producers, offering everything from fresh produce to handmade cheeses and baked goods.

In addition to the Pike Place Market, Seattle is home to several other farmers' markets, such as the University District Farmers Market, which is held on Saturdays and offers a wide selection of organic produce, artisanal foods, and crafts. The Ballard Farmers Market is another popular market, held on Sundays and offering fresh produce, seafood, and baked goods, among other items.

Attending a farmers' market is a great way to support local farmers and producers and learn about where your food comes from. It's also a fun activity for families, as many markets offer live music and entertainment.

Visitors to Seattle's farmers' markets can expect to find a wide variety of seasonal produce, including fresh berries, apples, and pears in the summer and fall, and root vegetables and winter squash in the winter months. They can also try locally made cheeses, bread, and other baked goods, as well as artisanal jams and jellies.

Take a Bike Ride:

For those looking for an active and eco-friendly way to explore Seattle, biking is an excellent option. Seattle is a bike-friendly city, with numerous dedicated bike lanes and paths, making it easy to get around and take in the sights and sounds of the city. Renting a bike is simple, with many bike rental shops located throughout the city.

Biking through Seattle's neighborhoods and parks is a great way to experience the city's vibrant culture and scenery. Visitors can explore the city on their own or join a guided bike tour that covers the city's most popular sights and landmarks. There are several bike tour companies that offer various types of tours, from exploring Seattle's downtown to taking in the natural beauty of the city's parks.

Some of the most popular bike routes in Seattle include the Burke-Gilman Trail, which stretches 18 miles from Seattle to the city of Bothell, passing through parks and neighborhoods along the way. The Alki Trail is another popular route, which offers stunning views of Puget Sound and the Seattle skyline.

Exploring Seattle on two wheels allows visitors to go at their own pace and discover hidden gems that they may have missed otherwise. It's also a great way to stay active while on vacation and get some exercise. Biking through the city is an experience that can be enjoyed alone or with friends and family.

Go on a Sunset Sail:

For those looking for a more relaxed activity, a sunset sail on the Puget Sound is a must-try. Seattle's waterfront is an idyllic location to witness the beautiful colors of the sunset. Several companies offer sunset sails on the Puget Sound, providing stunning views of the city skyline and the mountains in the distance. Visitors can choose from a variety of sailboats and enjoy the experience with a glass of wine or beer in hand.

These sunset sails offer a different perspective of Seattle's beauty and tranquility, away from the hustle and bustle of the city. It is a romantic and peaceful activity that can be enjoyed with friends, family, or loved ones.

In conclusion, Seattle offers visitors a wide range of exciting and unique activities and attractions. Whether you are interested in exploring the city's vibrant arts and culture scene, enjoying the natural beauty of the region, or simply soaking up the atmosphere of this lively city, Seattle is sure to have something to offer.