



Young Students

EC Classic Boston

Residence Accommodation

Available: 27 July - 15 August 2009

(no arrivals on the 4th July)

Ages: 15 - 18 years

Description of local area:

Students will be staying in a modern campus complex located on the Avenue of the Arts, Huntington Avenue between Longwood Avenue and Evans Way. MassArt's campus is nestled in Boston's Fenway Colleges community, a short walk from the Museum of Fine Arts and the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum with easy access to public transportation. Within 100m students will find Brigham Circle, a convenient area which includes two grocery stores, two banks, a coffee shop, and lots of other shops and restaurants. The T-stops (Museum of Fine Arts and Longwood Subway stations) are within a 5 minute walk from the dorms.

Description of residence:

MassArt is ideal for students who want to experience dorm life. The accommodation has all the facilities students may need with lots of communal areas to meet friends. This residence provides very comfortable accommodation in the heart of one of the most noted university avenues in the city. Just a 10 minute walk from the Museum of Fine Arts, it is a safe location. Students are placed in double or triple rooms with students of the same sex. International Leaders are accommodated in twin rooms shared with another International Leader. If International Leaders book a single room a single room supplement will be charged at the time of booking and reserved based on availability.

The residence accommodation includes:

- Full board accommodation
- WiFi facilities available free of charge
- Student lounge with TV
- Communal areas for students
- Common areas are cleaned daily
- Bathrooms are cleaned once a week
- Air conditioned rooms and communal areas
- 24 hour security including a campus policeman
- Shared bathroom facilities - with an average of 4 students per bathroom and maximum of 6 students per bathroom.
- Coin operated laundry facilities are available. Estimate cost: \$1.50 to wash and \$1.50 to dry.

Important notes:

- EC employs a member of staff to supervise the residence throughout the night. This staff member is responsible for ensuring that all students return to their rooms prior to their curfew and that discipline is maintained.
- EC must be advised upon booking of any medical conditions, allergies or medications that need to be administered to students.
- EC staff provide supervision in the residence, on the campus and during activities.



Learning

Junior Centre

Classes are held in the Junior Center in the heart of Boston, with all the attractions of the city within walking distance from the school.

EC Boston's Junior Centre has a dedicated EC Academic Coordinator. The residence is located about on campus, just a short walk from the Junior Centre. Students travel by public transport to activities.

Course

At EC Boston students attend a General English course.

On the first day students will take a placement test in order to be allocated to the most appropriate English language level. After the test students will be given a Welcome Talk followed by Orientation. During the orientation students will be provided with a map of Boston, the schedule of classes and directions to classes. No lessons are held on the first day but students will have a group lunch which will be followed by an activity in the afternoon.

Classes on the second day will begin at 9:00 am and students will follow a regular time table.

Students study in a maximum class size of 15 students.

General English

This course is perfect for students who want to improve their English, whatever their level. The course will develop students' English language skills by integrating on the key areas of reading, writing, speaking and listening. Lessons are focused upon communication; our teachers will encourage students instilling confidence in their use of English in practical situations. Regular tests and conversation classes help to ensure students improve their English throughout their stay in Boston.

Time Table:

- Lessons 09:00 – 12:30 with a 30 minute break (Monday – Friday)

Attendance

Attendance to school is compulsory unless there is a justified reason for absence. In the case of a student falling ill an EC staff member will provide assistance. If students are required to see a doctor, a basic visit can be expensive, and students must pay at the time of their visit.

Note:

Students must have adequate health, accident and travel insurance while attending any of our programmes. These must be acquired prior to their arrival.



After School

Meals

Students take their meals in MassArt's canteen. Here the students will have breakfast, hot lunch buffet and dinner buffet. On Sundays breakfast and lunch is replaced by an American style 'brunch'.

Lost Meal Card: a \$30 replacement fee for a new meal card will apply. Students need to notify EC staff as soon as they lose their meal cards. That card will then be cancelled. Upon the cancellation of the old card, the remaining balance of the old card will be checked on the system and loaded on to the new card accordingly.

Neither EC nor the food services company is responsible for any unauthorized charges made to the card before it is cancelled

Normally meals are as follows:-

- Breakfast: tea/coffee, toast, jam and cereal
- Lunch: Buffet style lunch - sandwiches, pizza, salads, vegetarian, chicken + drink and fruit.
- Dinner: hot buffet at the university cafeteria. Dinner generally includes a salad, meat or fish, pasta or rice.

If students have specific diet requirements EC must be informed of this prior to their arrival.

Activities

A full and varied activity programme is included in the Junior programme. Boston is safe, clean and compact, with a perfect combination of shiny skyscrapers and historical buildings. There is so much to do - with a population of over half a million people, Boston really does have something for everyone.

New York Trip



Explore the Big Apple on foot, bus and ferry! Students will visit the most important sites in New York including: the Statue of Liberty, Central Park, Times Square, Fifth Avenue and much more. They will also have time to shop and explore the city with their friends.

- Entrance fees are not included.
- Scheduled dates: 11 July, 25 July & 8 August.
- New York optional activity must be booked before student arrival.

Please Note:

- This is a sample programme only and activities are subject to change in the event of circumstances beyond the control of EC.
- Supervision is not provided during free time.



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Programme

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sat	Arrivals		
Sun	Free Day		
Mon	Placement Test & Lessons	Harvard Square Scavenger Hunt	Free Evening
Tue	Lessons	Pottery Painting	Party in the Park
Wed	Lessons	Canoeing Trip	Free Evening
Thu	Lessons	Museum of Science	Free Evening
Fri	Lessons	Downtown Crossing Shopping	Open-Air Cinema Night
Sat	6 Flags Theme Park or Optional New York Trip		
Sun	Beach Trip		
Mon	Lessons	Revere Beach	Free Evening
Tue	Lessons	IMAX Theatre	Party in the Park
Wed	Lessons	Hard Rock Café	Free Evening
Thu	Lessons	Roller Skating	Free Evening
Fri	Lessons	Bowling and Billiards	Moonlight Film
Sat	Departures		

Welfare, Rules and Disciplinary Action

Customer Complaints

At EC, we endeavour to provide our students with the highest possible level of service. If, however, a student is unsatisfied with any aspect of their programme with EC, we ask that they inform us immediately. Most problems are small and can be quickly resolved by our staff members. During the first week of school, all students are given an 'Initial Course Evaluation Form', in which they are asked to evaluate various aspects of their stay, such as tuition, accommodation and leisure. The form also allows students the opportunity to bring to our attention anything that is not to their satisfaction, should they feel unable to speak to us directly.

An EC staff member will talk to any student who rates a service as 'poor' or 'not so good' in their Initial Course Evaluation Form. They will try to find a solution as quickly as possible. If the problem cannot be resolved immediately, an official complaint form is filled in and the student's agent will also be informed. A thorough investigation will be carried out. The Initial Course Evaluation Form is given to the students during their first few days at EC so that problems can be solved immediately and not disrupt the remainder of their time with us. There is also an End-of-Course Evaluation Form which gives the students an opportunity to provide EC with general feedback before returning to their home country.

Accommodation Rules

- Minimum age for the residence is 15
- Students must keep their room neat and tidy, including making their own bed every morning
- Curfew times must be respected by all students
- Students who are not living in the residence are not allowed to stay in any of the rooms
- Girls are not allowed to stay in the boys' rooms and vice versa
- EC must be advised upon booking of any medical conditions, allergies or medications that need to be administered to students
- Students are liable for any damages/breakages caused to school property. Payment for damages must be effected immediately and the residence staff will not allow the students to leave the residence unless payment has been made.
- Students are not allowed to change rooms without EC's authorization. Rooming preference should be indicated on the enrolment form. Requests of room changes received after allocation will not be guaranteed.
- Lost Keys: a \$75 replacement fee for each key lost will apply. All locks will need to be replaced and a new key will need to be made for all students in the same suite or room.
- Lost ID/Key Card: a \$30 replacement fee to activate a new card will apply.
- Lost Meal Card: a \$30 replacement fee for a new meal card will apply.

Valid reasons must accompany a request for change of accommodation and each request is considered on its own merits. Such changes are also subject to availability. Students must pay for all costs incurred including transport, additional accommodation charges and cancellation fees (where applicable). The additional charges must be paid in full prior to the move. EC is happy to assist students with arrangements for any justifiable accommodation changes.

Curfew Times

Students are expected to return to the Residence right after the end of their activities and be in their rooms by 10pm.

Alcohol Consumption

EC will not tolerate the consumption of alcohol by Junior students. Students who consume alcohol risk being expelled from the school and repatriated to their home country. In America the legal age to drink is 21 and the legal age to buy cigarettes is 18.

Drugs

PLEASE NOTE: The consumption of any illegal drugs will result in the immediate expulsion and repatriation of the student and the possible intervention of the police.

Expulsion

EC reserves the right to expel and repatriate a student at his/her own expense for any of the following reasons:

- Possession of any illegal drugs
- Drinking of alcohol
- Malicious damage to school property or place of accommodation
- If the student is a danger to his/her own safety or that of other students
- Breaking American law
- Repeated failure to attend academic lessons
- Violation of any EC Residence Terms and conditions and School rules.

In any of the above circumstances the student is informed that their stay is going to be terminated with immediate effect. Simultaneously EC informs the student's agent of the student's behaviour and the course of action to be taken. The earliest flight available is booked and an EC staff member accompanies the student to the airport to ensure that the student leaves the country. Following such action EC will terminate all relationships with the student and will be unable to take further responsibility for the student. No refunds will be given to any students who have been expelled.