

Student Information Relocating

A BC Area Living Guide for Incoming Students

Dear Incoming Student:

Welcome to the ERME Program! Many of you will be moving to the Boston College area for graduate study. We hope the information below helps to familiarize you with the surrounding communities and help you determine where to live. The following includes local area maps, BC shuttle bus routes, the MBTA public transportation routes, and other neighborhood and community information. Please feel free to contact us for more information.

Thank you,

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Living in Boston Guides

- The Office of Residential Life – Guide to Off Campus Living
<http://www.bc.edu/offices/reslife/offcampus.html>
- LSOE Office of Graduate Admission – Living in Boston
<http://www.bc.edu/schools/lsoe/gradadmission/boston.html>

Choosing Where to Live

Boston College is located in the Chestnut Hill area of Newton, MA. Newton is surrounded by Watertown, Boston (Allston, Brighton, and West Roxbury), Brookline, Needham, Wellesley, Weston, and Waltham.

Over the years, ERME students have lived all over Boston and its surrounding areas. Some students have commuted from the north and south shores of Massachusetts, as well as from western MA and even from other New England states. Many students chose to live close to campus, especially while completing coursework (if in the Ph.D. program).



Students often live in Boston (including Allston and Brighton), Brookline, Cambridge, Newton, Waltham, and Watertown.



The Chestnut Hill Campus of Boston College is located between Commonwealth Avenue and Beacon Street. For this reason, many students live on these two streets, and in areas that the streets run through (Cleveland Circle, Washington Square, and Coolidge Corner).

Brighton Center and Oak Square are two other areas that BC students often live near. These areas are not accessible by the MBTA subway, but there are MBTA bus routes in both areas.

The Aberdeen area of Brighton is between Commonwealth Avenue, Chestnut Hill Avenue, and Washington Street. This area is also common to BC students, and is located near both MBTA subway and bus routes.

Students also live near the intersection of Harvard Avenue and Commonwealth Avenue. This area is close to Boston University and only minutes away from Kenmore Square which is where Fenway Park is located.



City & Town Websites

- Boston, MA
<http://www.cityofboston.gov>
- Boston Neighborhoods
<http://www.cityofboston.gov/neighborhoods/>
- Brookline, MA <http://www.town.brookline.ma.us>
- Cambridge, MA
<http://www.cambridgema.gov/index.cfm>
- Newton, MA
<http://www.ci.newton.ma.us/>
- Newton Neighborhoods
<http://www.ci.newton.ma.us/jackson/research/city-fabric.asp>
- Waltham, MA
<http://www.city.waltham.ma.us/>
- Watertown, MA
<http://www.ci.watertown.ma.us/>

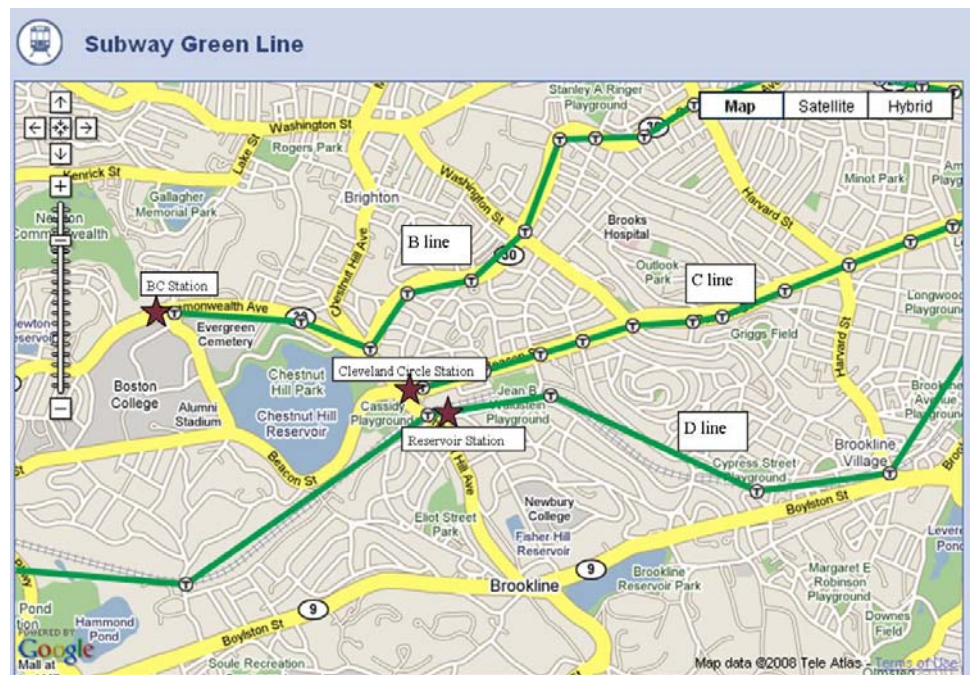
Getting Around Boston

Many BC students choose to live in Brighton or Allston to be close to both the subway (MBTA) and the BC Shuttle Bus routes.

BC students living near campus, often live close to the MBTA Green Line - B and C routes.

The B line runs along Commonwealth Ave, through Allston and Brighton and into Chestnut Hill.

The C line runs along Beacon Street through Brookline and Brighton and Chestnut Hill.



BC Shuttle Bus: The BC Shuttle runs around campus and to Cleveland Circle to the Reservoir MBTA stop on the Green D line and also up Commonwealth Ave to Wallingford Rd. There is another shuttle that runs from main campus to the Newton Law School campus.

Helpful Websites:

MBTA - www.mbta.com

MBTA Map & Schedule - http://www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/subway/

Green Line - www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/subway/lines/?route=GREEN

Boston College MBTA station -

www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/subway/lines/stations/?stopId=10369&lat=42.339902&lng=-71.166124

BC Shuttle Bus - <http://www.bc.edu/offices/transportation/bus.html>