

Massachusetts College Tour

Day One

Arrival in the **United States – Boston Logan International Airport**.
Meet your **deluxe motorcoach transportation** and your local **Tour Manager**.
A Welcome **dinner** is included upon arrival – TBD
Check into your hotel: The Holiday Inn, Route 1 North, Peabody, MA
Meals: D

Day Two

Breakfast included at hotel.
Rest Day – you can enjoy your hotel, indoor pool, or the **North Shore Mall**, which is an upscale shopping center anchored by Macy's, JC Penny, Talbots, and Sears. The North Shore Mall features more than 185 specialty shops, a newly renovated Food Court, and a variety of great restaurants.
Lunch and Dinner on your own.
Meals: B

Day Three

Breakfast included at hotel.
Enjoy a highlights **Tour of Boston & Cambridge**. Your Tour Manager will provide narration on the people, places and events that sparked the American Revolution and include viewing the Old North Church, Paul Revere House, Faneuil Hall, Boston Massacre Site, Old State House, Granary Burying Ground, King's Chapel and Burying Ground, Boston Public Garden, Boston Common, etc.
Lunch on own.
Campus Tour of MIT – Massachusetts Institute of Technology - Massachusetts Institute of Technology, also known as **MIT**, is an American private research university located in Cambridge, Massachusetts, United States. MIT has five schools and one college, containing a total of 32 academic departments, with a strong emphasis on scientific and technological education and research. *(Pending availability)*
Dinner included at Pizzeria Uno's.
Meals: B/D

Day Four

Breakfast included at hotel, **prior to check out**

Morning tour and information at **Tufts University** - is a private research university located in Medford/Somerville, near Boston, Massachusetts. Tufts is known as a "New Ivy" and consistently ranks among the country's top universities. The university is organized into ten schools,^[3] including two undergraduate programs and eight graduate divisions, on four campuses in Massachusetts and on the eastern border of France. The university emphasizes active citizenship and public service in all of its disciplines more than any peer school^[4] and is well known for its internationalism and study abroad programs. Among its schools is the United States' oldest graduate school of international relations, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. *(Pending availability)*

Lunch on campus before departing for Boston (at student expense)

Afternoon **Boston Duck Tour**

Dinner included at the **Hard Rock Café**.

Depart Boston and travel to Western Massachusetts

Late day check in: Hampton Inn, 600 Memorial Drive • Chicopee, Massachusetts 01020

Meals: B/D

Day Five

Breakfast included at hotel

Morning Visit University of Massachusetts at Amherst. The **University of Massachusetts Amherst** (otherwise known as **UMass** or **UMass Amherst**) is a public research and land-grant university in Amherst, Massachusetts, United States and the flagship of the University of Massachusetts system. With 1,174 faculty members and more than 27,000 students, UMass Amherst is the largest public university in New England. The university offers bachelor's degrees, master's degrees, and doctoral degrees in 86 undergraduate and 72 graduate areas of study, through eight schools and colleges.^[4] The main campus is situated north of downtown Amherst, Massachusetts. In a 2009 article for MSN.com Amherst was ranked 1st in Best College Towns in the United States.^[5] *(Pending availability)*

Lunch on campus (**student expense**)

Afternoon **visit Amherst College** this afternoon. **Amherst College** is a private liberal arts college located in Amherst, Massachusetts, United States. Amherst is an exclusively undergraduate four-year institution^[3] and enrolled 1,795 students in the fall of 2010.^[2] Students choose courses from 35 major programs^[4] in an unusually open curriculum. Founded in 1821 as an attempt to relocate Williams College by its President Zephaniah Swift Moore, Amherst is the third oldest institution of higher education in Massachusetts. Amherst remained a men's college until becoming coeducational in 1975. *(Pending availability)*

Dinner included this evening - **TBD**

Meals: B/D

Day Six

Breakfast included at hotel

The Girls will visit Mount Holyoke College -a liberal arts college for women in South Hadley, Massachusetts. It was the first member of the Seven Sisters colleges, and served as a model for some of the others. Mount Holyoke is part of the Pioneer Valley's Five College Consortium, along with Amherst College, Smith College, Hampshire College, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Mount Holyoke's founder, Mary Lyon, is considered by many scholars to be an innovator in the area of women's education.^[9] Her establishment of *Mount Holyoke Female Seminary* was part of a larger

movement to create institutions of higher education for young women during the early half of the 19th century(*Pending availability*)

The Boys will visit **Hampshire College** – a private liberal arts college in Amherst, Massachusetts. It was founded in 1965 as an experiment in alternative education, in association with four other colleges in the Pioneer Valley: Amherst College, Smith College, Mount Holyoke College, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Together they are now known as the Five Colleges, or the Five College Area. The College is widely known for its alternative curriculum, focus on portfolios rather than distribution requirements, and reliance on narrative evaluations instead of grades and GPAs. It is known particularly for facilitating the study of film, music, theater, and the visual arts. In some fields, it is among the top undergraduate institutions in percentage of graduates who enroll in graduate school. (*Pending availability*)

Free afternoon – **lunch** on own

Dinner included TBD

Meals: B/D

Day Seven

7:00 AM

Breakfast included at hotel

9:00 AM

Depart for **Williams College** with a stop in **Shelburne Falls** to see the Bridge of Flowers and on route 2 for a panoramic view of the mountains of New York, Vermont, and Massachusetts.

12:00 PM

Lunch on campus at student expense

1:00 PM

Tour and information session at **Williams College** – a private liberal arts college located in Williamstown, Massachusetts, United States. It was established in 1793 with funds from the estate of Ephraim Williams. Originally a men's college, Williams became co-educational in 1970. Fraternities were also phased out during this period, beginning in 1962. Williams forms part of the historic Little Three colleges, along with Wesleyan University and rival Amherst College. There are three academic curricular divisions (humanities, sciences and social sciences), 24 departments, 33 majors, and two master's degree programs in art history and development economics. There are 315 voting faculty members, with a student-to-faculty ratio of 7:1. As of 2009, the school has an enrollment of 2,124 undergraduate students and 49 graduate students. (*Pending availability*)

Depart Williamstown and stop at the **Yankee Candle Flagship Store** on route home.

One of New England's most popular destinations! Yankee Candle Village offers a unique shopping, entertainment and dining experience. Stroll through the Bavarian Christmas Village, the Nutcracker Castle, and our home store. Enjoy fabulous candles, home decor and holiday shopping. Savor freshly-made fudge and other sweet treats in our fudge shop. Dip your own candles and watch history brought to life in our candlemaking museum.

Return to your hotel.

Dinner included

Meals: B/D

Day Eight

Breakfast included at hotel

Spend the day at Visit **6-Flags New England** - named for the New England region, in which it is located it consists of a theme park and a water park. It is, by far, the largest amusement park in New England.

Lunch on own

Dinner voucher included at the park.

Meals: B/D

Day Nine

Breakfast included at hotel, prior to check out and return to the Boston area.

Lunch on your own in Boston

This afternoon you will visit the **New England Aquarium** - The Giant Ocean Tank opened in 1970, and at the time was the largest circular ocean tank in the world. In 1984, the Giant Ocean Tank was given a major facelift, with the addition of a replica of a Caribbean coral reef. The new West Wing was completed in 1998 by Schwartz/Silver Architects. The glass and steel addition includes the harbor seal exhibit on the public plaza, ticketing booth, changing exhibit galleries, gift shop, cafe, and lobby

IMAX show included in the admission.

Dinner included at Quincy Marketplace by Voucher.

Check into your hotel this evening.

The Holiday Inn, Route 1 North, Peabody, MA 01970

Meals: B/D

Day Ten

Breakfast included at hotel

Your group will have a **tour and information session at Harvard University.**

Lunch on own

Afternoon visit to the **Prudential Center Skywalk**

Dinner included

Meals: B/D

Day Eleven

Breakfast included at hotel

Tour **Bridgewater State College** - is a public liberal-arts college in Bridgewater, which is a rural community south of Boston. It is the largest college in the Massachusetts state university system outside of the University of Massachusetts system. Bridgewater State University's art department has 12 majors, 5 minors for students to choose from (*Pending availability*)

Lunch on own

Afternoon tour of **Stonehill College** in Easton, MA - is a private Roman Catholic college located in Easton, Massachusetts, United States, founded in 1948. Situated in North Easton, Massachusetts, a suburban community of 23,329 people, Stonehill is located 22 miles (35 km) south of Boston on a 375-acre (1.52 km²) campus, the original estate of Frederick Lothrop Ames. The campus map highlights 29 buildings that complement the original Georgian-style Ames mansion (with the exception of Boland Hall and Pilgrim Heights). (*Pending availability*)

Another option would be to go to Plymouth and tour **Plimoth Plantation** – a recreation of when the first English settlers arrived in this country.

Dinner included

Meals: B/D

Day Twelve

Breakfast included at hotel.

Enjoy a tour of Boston's North Shore today.

Visit, **Gloucester, Rockport, and Salem** today.

Lunch on your own.

Dinner and Sunset Cruise Boat Ride included this evening.

Meals: B/D

Day Thirteen

Breakfast included at hotel

Morning visit to another college – Can include Endicott College, Merrimack College, Salem State University. **Lunch** on own

Afternoon sightseeing – admissions not included.

Dinner included.

B/D

Day Fourteen

Breakfast included at hotel

Morning visit to **Boston College, Campus Tour and Information Session**. Boston College is one of the oldest Jesuit, Catholic universities in the United States. U.S. News and World Report ranks Boston College 34th among national universities. Boston College confers more than 4,000 degrees annually in more than 50 fields of study through nine schools and colleges. (*Pending availability*)

Free time for **lunch** on own and shopping at **Quincy Marketplace**.

Afternoon visit to the **New England Aquarium included the IMAX theatre.**

Dinner included

Meals: B/D

Day Fifteen

Breakfast included at hotel prior to check out - say goodbye to your tour manager.

Transfers to the airport for travel to Nigeria.

Meals: B

Tour includes:

Tour Manager throughout your trip including customary gratuities.

Deluxe equipped motor coach transportation services daily including driver gratuities

14 Night's hotel, taxes and one private nightly security guard

Meals (14) Breakfasts, (0) Lunches and (13) Dinners

Coordination of college visits

All Admissions where listed except for the ones listed with options pricing.

AIRFARE ADDITIONAL

Note: At times Restaurant menus may change at the discretion of the Restaurant Management. These circumstances are beyond our control.

ALL TOURS AND RESERVATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY BASED UPON TIME OF BOOKING.