

Mass Insight Education & Bridgewater State University 2019 Summer Institute

TRAVEL FAQ FOR OUT-OF-STATE PARTICIPANTS

Q: Which airport should I use to fly into Massachusetts?

A: We recommend Boston Logan International Airport (<http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/>).

Q: Is there a preferred airline I should use to fly into Massachusetts?

A: Boston Logan International Airport serves most major airlines. For a listing, please click here: <http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/airlines-at-boston-logan/>.

Q: Is there anything I should be aware of while flying into Massachusetts?

A: While we cannot make an official recommendation nor provide official guidance to you, we encourage you to speak to your airline or the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) (<https://www.tsa.gov/travel>) if you have any concerns. *For international travelers*, we realize that there is a concern regarding the ability to bring laptops and/or other electronic devices; please refer to your airline's electronic device policy for carry on and checked luggage(s).

Q: How do I get to Summer Institute location at Bridgewater State University (BSU) from Boston Logan International Airport? What are my ground transportation options after I land in Massachusetts?

A: There are four ground transportation options: (a) Car Rental, (b) Taxi Service, (c) App-Ride [e.g., Uber, Lyft, etc.], or (d) Public Transportation.

For more information on each option, please see below:

-- (a) For Car Rental: <http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/inside-the-airport/rental-cars-at-logan/>.

-- (b) For Taxi Service: <http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/ground-transportation/>.

-- (c) For App-Ride: <http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/app-ridetnc/>.

-- (d) For Public Transportation: <http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-from-logan/transportation-options/taking-the-t/> and refer to the additional information within this FAQ.

Q: What is the travel time to get to the Summer Institute location at BSU from Boston Logan International Airport?

A: There are four ground transportation options: (a) Car Rental, (b) Taxi Service, (c) App-Ride [e.g., Uber, Lyft, etc.], or (d) Public Transportation.

For travel time for each option, please see below:

-- (a) By Car Rental: approximately 1 hour – [Click Here for Google Map - CAR](#).

-- (b) By Taxi Service: approximately 1 hour – [Click Here for Google Map - CAR](#).

-- (c) By App-Ride: approximately 1 hour – [Click Here for Google Map - CAR](#).

-- (d) By Public Transportation: approximately 1.5–2.0 hours – [Click Here for Google Map - PUBLIC TRANSPORT](#).

Q: If I choose to not rent a car, how much will alternate ground transportation options cost me to get to the Summer Institute location at BSU from Boston Logan International Airport?

A: Please see below for more information:

-- By Taxi Service: Boston Logan International Airport has information listed here:

<http://www.massport.com/logan-airport/to-and-from-logan/ground-transportation/>. Please contact local taxi services for a cost estimate.

-- By App-Ride: please plug in location-to-location in your App-Ride program for a cost estimate, understanding that it may not take certain conditions into account (e.g. surge pricing, etc.). You should plug in "Boston Logan International Airport" to "Bridgewater State University."

-- By Public Transportation: please visit the MBTA website here:

http://www.mbta.com/fares_and_passes/rail/. From the airport, you would take the Silver Line to South Station, and then take the Commuter Rail - Middleborough/Lakeview Line to the Bridgewater Stop, which falls into the Zone 6 payment category for ride fare estimates.

Q: If I choose to use public transportation to get to the Summer Institute location at BSU from Boston Logan International Airport, what is the procedure?

A: From the airport, you should take the Silver Line to South Station, and then take the Commuter Rail - Middleborough/Lakeview Line to the Bridgewater Stop. We have provided two web links below as guides, but we encourage you to speak to a public transportation official on-site if you have questions:

-- [Click Here for Google Map - PUBLIC TRANSPORT](#).

-- [Click Here for MBTA PUBLIC TRANSPORT Schedules](#). Please note: for your convenience, the default setting at this particular link is set for an Outbound heading. To redisplay for another setting, simply adjust the direction and the timing above the table grid.

Q: If I choose not to utilize the ground transportation options listed on this FAQ, will a shuttle be provided to get to the Summer Institute location at BSU from Boston Logan International Airport?

A: Shuttle service to BSU from the airport is not available. Please refer to ground transportation options listed on this FAQ or please feel free to make alternate arrangements.

Q: If I need overnight housing during the Summer Institute, what are my options?

A: For an extra fee, we offer overnight on-campus accommodations at BSU:

-- Room Information: all boarders will be housed in single occupancy DORM ROOMS within a shared suite in one of BSU's newly built Student Residence Halls (RH). Shared suites will be gender-specific but RH floors may be shared with all genders. Each floor within the RH includes a full kitchen, TV lounge, recreation room, and multiple semi-private study areas. If you have a preferred suite mate, please enter his or her name as you complete your online registration.

-- Services & Amenities: free parking, free breakfast and dinner options at the designated campus Student Dining Hall, Computer Lab, Fitness Center, Mail Room, coin-operated laundry (TBD), vending machines, shared kitchenette within room suite, shared bathroom(s) within room suite, shared furnished common area within selected room suites, air conditioning, wireless internet, light bed linens and mini-pillow, light bath towel.

-- NOT Included: toiletries or typical household appliances (such as television, coffeemaker, etc.). If possible, boarders are also still encouraged to bring their own linens, towels, pillow, and a fan in case the accommodations are not sufficient.

-- PLEASE NOTE: Participants choosing to board should be aware that these are on-campus university style accommodations utilized by university students during the school year. These accommodations may not be comparable to your typical experience in a regular hotel setting.

Q: If I am housing on-campus in BSU's Dormitory Residence Hall, what are the check-in and check-out times for the Residence Hall?

A: Official check-in is on Monday, *after* class. We do offer an *unofficial* check-in the Sunday before, if your travel plans absolutely require it. Please let us know in advance if you require Sunday check-in. Official check-out is on Friday, *before* class.

Q: If I am housing on-campus in BSU's Dormitory Residence Hall, may I extend my housing to include Friday night after the Summer Institute has concluded, and plan to check-out of the Residence Hall on Saturday morning?

A: Overnight housing on Friday after class is not available. Please refer to the local hotels section of this FAQ for options available to you, outside of the Summer Institute.

Q: If I am housing on-campus in BSU's Dormitory Residence Hall, what meal options will be available to me during non-workshop hours?

A: During workshop hours, snacks and lunch will be provided through the Summer Institute at the workshop site. During non-workshop hours, Breakfast and Dinner will be available at the Campus Dining Hall at no extra charge. Additionally, Google search presented the following options for local restaurants, outside of the Summer Institute: [Click Here for Restaurants Nearby](#).

Q: If I choose not to house on-campus in BSU's Dormitory Residence Hall, what are my nearby hotel options and are there any on-campus implications?

A: Google search presented the following options: [Click Here for Hotels Nearby](#). It appears that the "Marriott Residence Inn Boston Bridgewater" is the closest hotel to BSU: [Click Here for the Marriott Hotel Website](#). Please note: hotel reservations are through the hotel directly; therefore, special group rates are not available and you should plan to make reservations on your own separate from the Summer Institute. Additionally, BSU on-campus benefits such as: the BSU Fitness Center, the BSU print and shipping center, and meals through the BSU Campus Dining Hall (breakfast and dinner) will not apply if you are not housing on-campus.

Q: If I choose to book a hotel off-campus versus utilizing the offered on-campus housing through the Summer Institute, will there be a shuttle from my hotel to the Summer Institute location at BSU?

A: Shuttles are not available through the Summer Institute from your hotel to BSU; however, the hotel may offer their own shuttle. Please contact your hotel for confirmation and/or more information.

Q: At the conclusion of the workshop on Friday, I will be departing from Massachusetts via air flight. May I arrange for personal and/or workshop items to be shipped back to myself from the Summer Institute to my home?

A: Shipping options are not available through the Summer Institute program. If BSU offers shipping options while you are on site (at a fee) or if there is a local vendor nearby that offers shipping, please feel free to make arrangements. Otherwise, we recommend that you bring an extra checked luggage, which you can use to bring materials home with you.

Q: At the conclusion of the workshop on Friday, I will be departing from Massachusetts via air flight. What is the earliest flight I could take?

A: While we cannot make an official recommendation nor provide official guidance to you, we loosely recommend a departure time of no earlier than approximately 4:30pm (eastern) on Friday to ensure you have adequate time to return to Boston Logan International Airport in potentially heavy traffic. The Summer Institute ends at approximately 12:30–1:00pm. The typical drive from BSU to Boston Logan International Airport is 1 hour, *without traffic*. We encourage you to Google the route to get an idea of the commute. Please plan and book your flight accordingly based on the commute time and your own comfort level with having sufficient travel buffer time.

For additional questions or information, please contact us at: mieap@massinsight.org.