

## Travel and Arrival Suggestions

### Travel Tips

1. Travel light!
2. **Remember to travel with your original Form I-20/DS-2019 (issued by Bentley) and Passport. If you are a dual citizen, enter the U.S. with the passport issued from the country of citizenship noted on your Form I-20/DS-2019. Do not** pack these items in your suitcase! **(Carry them on your person)**
3. Have a photocopy of your passport and visa in case your passport gets lost while in transit. Do not keep the copies with your passport!
4. Travel with a minimal amount of cash such as US \$300 in mixed dollar bills \$10's and \$20's.

### Getting to Campus from the Airport

Ultimate Shuttle: +1.888.437.4379 (toll free), or reserve online at [www.ultimateshuttle.com](http://www.ultimateshuttle.com)  
Smurfs Transportation: +1.781.891.5900, email: [info@smurfstrans.com](mailto:info@smurfstrans.com), [www.smurfstrans.com](http://www.smurfstrans.com)

### Hotels in Waltham

Please make your hotel arrangements as early as possible **before you leave home!** Here is a listing of a few hotels in and around Waltham; each is about 10 minutes from campus by taxi. *Please note that rates vary with season, length of stay, time of booking, and may include a minimum stay*

Hotel	Address	Telephone	Website
Best Western TLC	380 Winter Street, Waltham	781.890.7800	<a href="http://bestwestern.reservationcounter.com/">bestwestern.reservationcounter.com/</a>
Double Tree Hotel	550 Winter Street, Waltham	781.890.6767	<a href="http://doubletree3.hilton.com/">doubletree3.hilton.com/</a>
Holiday Inn Express	385 Winter Street, Waltham	781.890.2800	<a href="http://www.hiexpress.com">www.hiexpress.com</a>
Quality Inn & Suites	440 Bedford Street, Lexington	781.861.0850	<a href="http://www.qualityinn.com">www.qualityinn.com</a>
Extended Stay Deluxe	32 Fourth Avenue, Waltham	781.622.1900	<a href="http://www.extendedstayamerica.com/">www.extendedstayamerica.com/</a>
Westin Hotel	70 Third Avenue, Waltham	781.290.5600	<a href="http://www.westinwalthamboston.com">www.westinwalthamboston.com</a>
Hilton Garden Inn	450 Totten Pond Road, Waltham	781.890.0100	<a href="http://www.hiltongardeninn.com">www.hiltongardeninn.com</a>

### Here is a partial list of Taxi Companies in the Waltham, MA area:

Central Taxi	781-894-2000
Green Cab	781-308-8999
Waltham Yellow Cab	781-647-1179
Waltham Red Cab	781-894-5000
Waltham Taxi	781-647-1117
Ride Sharing	
*Uber	*Download app for phone
*Lyft	
*Fasten	

### For More Information

Following is a list of Bentley offices, telephone numbers, and email addresses if you have specific questions:

For Questions about	Contact	Telephone	E-Mail
I-20s or DS-2019s	Ctr. for Intl Students & Scholars	+1 781.891.2829	GA_CISS@bentley.edu
Health Insurance Coverage	Center for Health & Wellness	+1 781.891.2600	healthcenter@bentley.edu
Medical History Forms	Center for Health & Wellness	+1 781.891.2222	healthcenter@bentley.edu
Housing	Residential Center	+1 781.891.2148	housing@bentley.edu
Tuition, Fees & Insurance Pmts.	Student Financial Services	+1 781.891.2162	ga_sfs@bentley.edu
General Information Campus Operator		+1 781.891.2000	N/A

Please contact us for information not shown here. We would be glad to mail or email any additional information you might like to know. We are here to help you!

## **Working in the US, Social Security Numbers and Mobile Telephones**

### **Social Security Number**

A social security number is **not** required for class registration, opening a bank account, contracting for a cell phone or obtaining a driver's license in the state of Massachusetts.

To request a social security number as an international student, you must have a job offer and you must be registered in the SEVIS system. This may take up to 10 days after your check-in with CISS. Once you have secured a job on campus, you must have your employer and CISS fill out the "On Campus Offer Form" found on our website. The original form must be presented at the Social Security Administration office with your application form, passport, visa, I-20/DS-2019 and Bentley identification card (ID).

[www.ssa.gov/](http://www.ssa.gov/)

### **Work Eligibility**

F-1 visa holders are allowed to apply for on-campus jobs in accordance with the Student Employment rules. F-1 visa holders are eligible for curricular practical training opportunities after completing two semesters or 9 months in F-1 status.

<http://www.bentley.edu/offices/student-employment>

### **Mobile Phones**

In the Boston area, there are numerous wireless phone service carriers to choose from. The most popular are Verizon Wireless, AT&T, T-Mobile, and Sprint. Wireless plans in the United States are very different from plans outside the United States. Please review all information thoroughly and ask about international calling, messaging plans, network fees and capabilities, contract agreements and overage charges. To get a phone and plan, there are two main options: 1) a two-year contract or 2) a pay-as-you-go plan. The contract plans are most popular in the United States, but they are a commitment and require a large deposit (approx. \$500) when international students cannot provide social security numbers. Usually the agreement states that the deposit is returned based on 12-months of good standing. The pay-as-you-go plans may have higher rates but do not require a large deposit.

[www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/index.html](http://www.verizonwireless.com/b2c/index.html)

[www.wireless.att.com/cell-phone-service/welcome/](http://www.wireless.att.com/cell-phone-service/welcome/)

[www.t-mobile.com](http://www.t-mobile.com)

[www.sprint.com/index.html](http://www.sprint.com/index.html)

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