



As an IELI student, you are considered a Worcester State University student. We encourage you to take advantage of your student benefits and explore activities happening on-campus and throughout the city of Worcester, MA.

## OVERVIEW

**Admission to Worcester State University** - We welcome students to apply to Worcester State University to further your studies for undergraduate and graduate degrees. IELI students need a minimum TOEFL score of 61 to meet the undergraduate and graduate TOEFL admissions requirement.

**Advising** - Whether you have concerns about your schoolwork, the IELI program or life in the United States, you'll find that the staff and instructors at IELI and the staff at Worcester State University are here to help and advise you.

**Bridge-to-University Program** - Advanced students in IELI are eligible to apply for the Bridge-to-College Program which is part of IELI. Students accepted in this program are allowed to take one or two college credit classes while taking ESL classes. This helps you prepare for undergraduate and graduate classes.

**Buddy Program** - In the Buddy Program, volunteers from Worcester State University and the greater community open their hearts and homes to IELI students for one to three hours a week. Go shopping, play ball, discuss politics or explore other common interests in an informal setting that allows for more natural English acquisition while forming potentially lifelong friendships!

**Computer Labs** - IELI students have access to computer labs on campus. The computer labs are open regularly for research, to use the web, check email, etc.

**Email Account** - IELI students will be provided with a Worcester State University student email account: *yourname@worchester.edu*.

**Facilities** - Worcester State University offers you a number of facilities including computer labs, dining halls, a health and fitness center, athletic fields and a central library.

**Homestay Program** - IELI can help students find housing with a family in the Worcester area through our Homestay program. Living with a family will help improve your English skills and learn more about American culture. Placements range from simple room and board to a home with complete family involvement.

**Student Health Services (SHS)** - Full time students on visas pay a SHS fee and have access to the student health center for any health concerns or illnesses, wellness information, primary evaluation and treatment of acute illness and injury. The Student Health Services department provides individualized, confidential, quality health care. All visits to the SHS, supplies, and medications dispensed are free.

**Student ID Cards (OneCard)** - OneCard is the official identification card for Worcester State University faculty, staff and students. Your OneCard can be used as a debit card to purchase food, books, copies, printing and other campus services.

**Tutoring** - Registered IELI students are eligible to sign up for free tutoring a maximum of two times per week. IELI tutors are students at Worcester State University, retired IELI instructors, ESL professionals and other qualified members of the general public.

## THE CITY OF WORCESTER

The city of Worcester, located 45 miles west of Boston in scenic central Massachusetts, is New England's second-largest city, with a population of over 180,000. Once a thriving manufacturing center of international significance, the city today has a diverse economy that includes biotechnical research, healthcare and insurance fields. An ethnically diverse city, Worcester is noted for its fine educational and cultural facilities.

The city is also home to the American Antiquarian Society, with a national research library specializing in Americana; the Worcester Art Museum, with a wide-ranging collection of Western and Asian art; and the Worcester Historical Museum, emphasizing the city's industrial achievements. Also of interest is the EcoTarium, with collections on the biological and physical sciences. Worcester is also home to the annual Worcester Music Festival dating from 1858.

## CONTACT US

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