

PERSPECTIVE



“Despite being a big city, Worcester has the feel of **small community** with many great local restaurants and shops. It is home to seven colleges and universities, so both the city and surrounding towns are full of **welcoming** young professionals. The parks and bike trails in and around Worcester are beautiful and with places like the Worcester Artists Group, the Mechanics Music Hall, and the DCU Expo there is **always something fun** to do.”

MARGARET IRVING, TEACHING FELLOW

FOOD

Current Teaching Fellows recommend checking out the great restaurants in Worcester including:

- ◆ **One Love Café** — Jerk Chicken, tasty fruit juices and a cozy Jamaican feel in the heart of New England.
- ◆ **Block 5 Bistro Bar** — A famous trendy restaurant that does American cuisine with a spin.
- ◆ **Maria’s Kitchen** — Cheap and awesome Caribbean cuisine.

THINGS TO DO!

**Cultural Attractions**

- ◆ ARTSWorcester connects people through collaborative, interactive artistic projects. Check out [www.artsworcester.org](http://www.artsworcester.org) for more information
- ◆ Check out Worcester’s Museums at [www.socialweb.net/Clients/Worcester/museums.lasso](http://www.socialweb.net/Clients/Worcester/museums.lasso)
- ◆ For music, dance and theater go to [www.socialweb.net/Clients/Worcester/music.lasso](http://www.socialweb.net/Clients/Worcester/music.lasso)

**Outdoors**—Quinsigamond State Park is a great place for swimming, sailing, fishing, rowing and picnicking! Check it out at [www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/central/quin.htm](http://www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/central/quin.htm)

**Music**—Wormtown! Worcester is legendary for its underground music culture. Check out the Pulse magazine for info on the vibrant Hip Hop and indie rock subculture at [www.thepulsemag.com](http://www.thepulsemag.com).

**Sports**—The DCU center, a major venue, hosts the Worcester sharks professional hockey team ([www.sharksahl.com](http://www.sharksahl.com)) as well as many great concerts.

## WORCESTER: CITY ON THE MOVE

A robust, vibrant city in the heart Massachusetts, Worcester combines the warmth of a small town with the convenience of a thriving city. Once among the pre-eminent manufacturing cities in the nation, Worcester has transformed itself into a leader in advanced manufacturing, information technology, biotechnology, and medical research. Over 35,000 students contribute to the cultural vibrancy of the city, which features world-renowned museums and concert halls, theatres, galleries, as well as a wealth of performing groups, ethnic festivals and artists. ([www.worcestermass.org](http://www.worcestermass.org))



### TRANSPORTATION

- ◆ A car is helpful in Worcester, but without one you can get to major attractions around the city on the WRTA. Check out [www.therta.com](http://www.therta.com) for schedules, maps, and more information.
- ◆ Boston is only a 40 minute drive away on the Mass Pike. Without a car you can get there in on the MBTA commuter rail which runs several times every day.
- ◆ Several nearby highways make for easy trips around the region.

### NEIGHBORHOODS

Not too big and not too small, Worcester is a great place to live!

- ◆ Subletting & roommate opportunities can be found at [www.sublet.com/Index3/WorcesterApartment.html](http://www.sublet.com/Index3/WorcesterApartment.html)
- ◆ You can also find information about different apartments available in the city at [www.apartmentratings.com/rate/MA-Worcester.html](http://www.apartmentratings.com/rate/MA-Worcester.html)

### NEW ENGLAND WEATHER

- ◆ Like most of New England, Worcester has 4 unique but beautiful seasons.
- ◆ Temperatures range from an average of 71 °F in July to 26 °F January.
- ◆ Worcester gets an average of 67 inches of snow each year!

### POPULATION

- ◆ With around 170,000 people, Worcester is the 3rd largest city in New England.
- ◆ Six million people live within in 50 miles of the city!
- ◆ Worcester is home to 9 Universities and colleges making it a great place to live for young professionals to live.

