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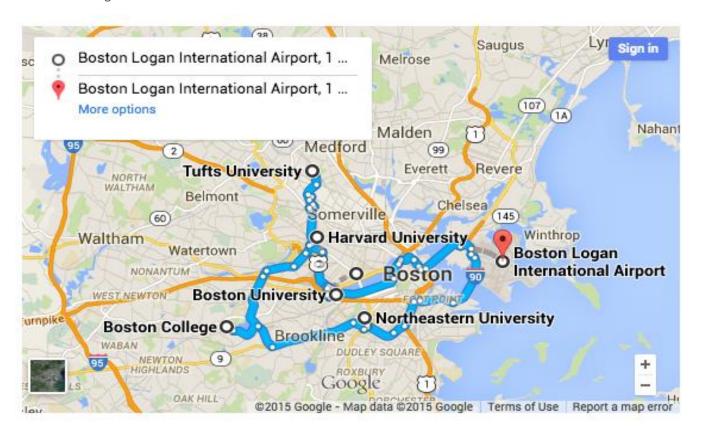
Recommended College and University Tour Routes

The suggestions listed below for campus visits are grouped by location/region to help you plan your college or university tour efficiently. Each option includes 5 or 6 schools, providing a range of sizes, settings, and selectivity to help manage your final choices. We will also identify other college or university options for consideration and share the reason we recommend it for your student.

Boston, Massachusetts

College and Universities

- Harvard University
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
- Tufts University
- Boston College
- Northeastern University
- Boston University
- Emerson College
- Fisher College



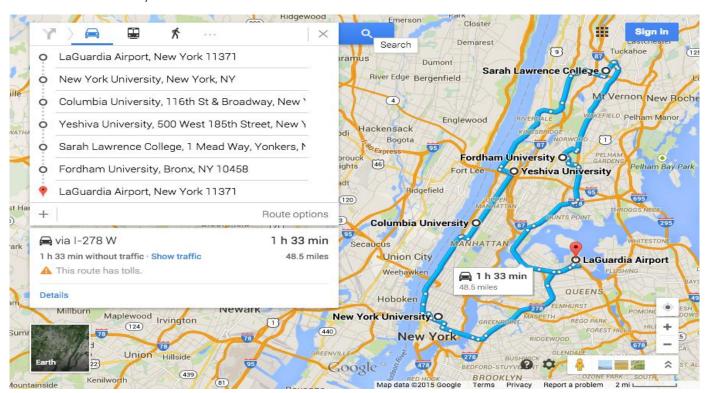
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These very popular Boston area schools represent a variety of size, environment, and selectivity for admission. All are accessible by public transport, and when located close to one another, we are able to schedule two school visits per day. In order to experience smaller schools in rural or suburban areas, we also suggest you consider a visit to Amherst, Williams, Hampshire College, Smith or UMass Amherst in western Massachusetts. On the other hand, if you're interested in engineering, you should consider Olin, UMass Lowell and Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI). Don't miss the opportunity to visit another Ivy in Providence, Rhode Island -- Brown University. While in the area, you can also take a look at Providence College. Finally, if you dream of starting a business, we recommend you visit Babson College.

New York City, New York

College and Universities

- New York University
- Columbia University
- Barnard College
- Cooper Union
- Pace University
- Yeshiva University
- Sarah Lawrence College
- Fordham University



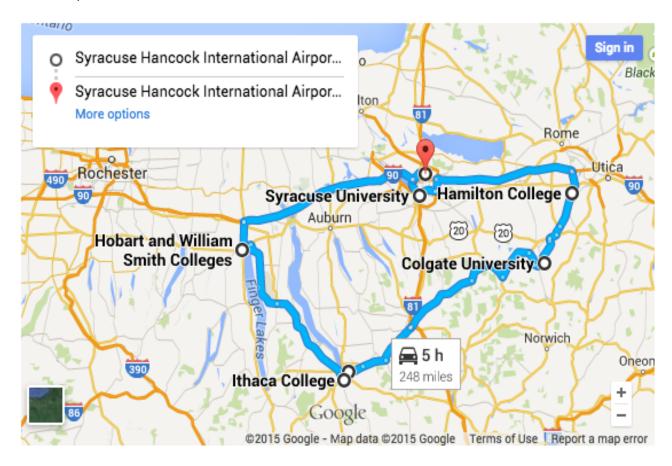
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New York City schools are extremely popular because they offer many academic options in a vibrant urban backdrop. While many students seek a college or university in "the City", it's also recommended that your student consider other options within New York State as well as in nearby states--Connecticut, New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. Interested in visiting Ivy League schools? Yale University (CT) and Princeton University (NJ) are both close by and may be reached by car, bus or train. Other options include: University of Pennsylvania (UPenn) in Philadelphia —about 2 hours drive away from New York city, Cornell University--four hours away. While in Upstate New York, you should also consider a visit to "mini-Ivy" schools like Colgate University and Hamilton College, which are located in a rural setting. When you complete this tour, you have visited small, medium and large-sized schools in urban, suburban and rural settings!

Syracuse/Rochester, New York

College and Universities

- Cornell University
- Colgate University
- Hamilton College
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges
- Ithaca College
- Union College
- Syracuse University
- University of Rochester



Comments

If you are looking for a full mix of size, environment and selectivity, you should select this tour. Interested in environmental science and forestry? Then be sure to check out the State University of New York (ESF) adjacent to Syracuse University where you can investigate Newhouse School of Communications. While in the area, it is very easy to visit multiple campuses, including a number of excellent liberal arts colleges, such as Hamilton College and Hobart and William Smith Colleges. Then be sure to make your way to Rochester, to visit the University of Rochester (UR), including Strong Memorial Hospital, UR's Medical Center and the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) composed of nine academic colleges.

Washington, D.C

College and Universities

- American University
- George Washington University
- Georgetown University
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Richmond
- University of Virginia
- Duke University
- Wake Forest University
- University of North Carolina Chapel Hill



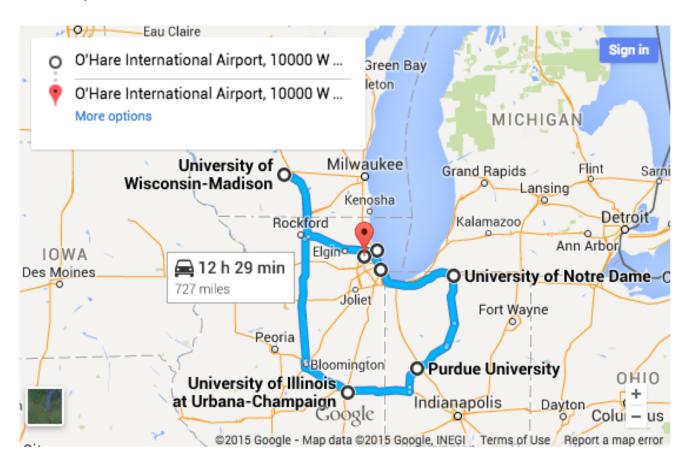
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The schools included on this list are suburban and medium-sized schools located in and around DC the capital of the United States. Most provide excellent academic programs in government, international relations and pre-medical studies while located in a vibrant city setting. We recommend you also consider and check out The College of William & Mary a well-known research university, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) which offers many engineering (math and science-based opportunities) and Washington and Lee University a nationally ranked undergraduate liberal arts college. If you opt to travel further South, plan to visit top tier universities including: University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Duke University and Wake Forest University.

Chicago, Illinois

College and Universities

- University of Chicago
- Northwestern University
- Lake Forest College
- Loyola University Chicago
- Purdue University
- University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign
- University of Wisconsin (Madison Campus)
- University of Notre Dame



Comments

These schools are classic medium to large-sized universities. Typically, each University is the center of activity for the area, offering both artistic (art exhibitions and theater productions) and athletic (think BIG time sports, like the "Fighting Irish of Notre Dame") options. In addition, these universities are often complexly designed by college, division and/or pre-professional area. As an example, The University of Chicago is organized into five academic research divisions and seven professional schools. On the other hand, for a smaller school experience, check out "life-changing" colleges in the area, such as Knox College, Beloit College, Wabash College, Kalamazoo College and Cornell College.

Cleveland, Ohio / Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

College and Universities

- Kenyon College
- Oberlin College
- Case Western Reserve University
- John Carroll University
- Miami University Oxford
- Ohio State University
- Duquesne University
- University of Pittsburgh
- Carnegie Mellon University
- University of Michigan Ann Arbor



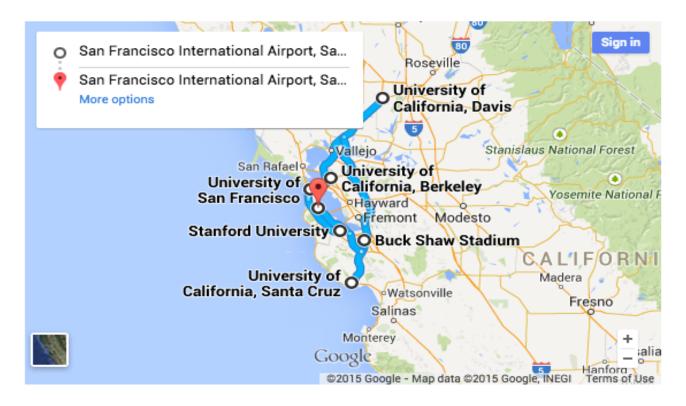
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These schools also offer a range of sizes and settings. Kenyon College and Oberlin College both located in small towns present excellent liberal arts opportunities. While Kenyon features The Brown Family Environmental Center, Oberlin is the oldest co-ed institute in the world and well known for the Oberlin Conservatory of Music. Ohio State is the highest ranked public university in Ohio and Michigan's "traditions of excellence in research, learning, teaching, sports and the arts" position it as one the best research universities in the U.S. Both Michigan and Ohio are part of the "Big Ten" athletic conference, so sporting events are popular and generate school spirit. Case Western Reserve University (Cleveland, OH) and Carnegie Mellon University (Pittsburgh, PA) are both located in an urban setting. Dreaming of winning a Nobel prize? Then consider Case Western which is credited with producing seventeen Nobel laureates! Hoping to pursue a major or career in research with international benefits? Carnegie Mellon offers an "international university" experience with more than a dozen locations on six continents!

San Francisco, California

College and Universities

- Stanford University
- University of California Berkeley
- University of California Davis
- University of California Santa Cruz
- University of California San Francisco
- University of San Francisco
- Santa Clara University
- Mills College



Comments

Schools located in the San Francisco Bay Area are typically larger in size, but they can vary from place to place/environment. There are four popular University of California campuses located within a two hour driving distance including, Berkeley/San Francisco to Davis/Santa Cruz. Their campuses range from rural, bike-friendly Davis to urban/progressive Berkeley and Santa Cruz.

Los Angeles, California

College and Universities

- University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
- University of Southern California (USC)
- Claremont Colleges
- Loyola Marymount University
- Pepperdine University
- University of California, San Diego (UCSD)
- University of San Diego

Comments

These popular Southern California schools offer a good mix of size, environment and selectivity. A car is required to visit them, but in some cases, you can schedule more than one visit in a day. The Claremont Colleges, a consortium of five undergraduate liberal arts colleges: Pomona, Claremont McKenna, Pitzer, Harvey Mudd and Scripps each feature a distinct campus location, but share classes so that students can cross-register. On the other hand, if you are interested in the STEM field, we recommend you consider California Institute of Technology (Caltech) and Harvey Mudd. If you prefer movies or animation, in addition to USC and UCLA, you should also look at Chapman University, the California Academy of Arts and Loyola Marymount College.