

# NORTHEASTERN OAKLAND CAMPUS UNIVERSITY



**2024-2025**

**STUDENT HANDBOOK**



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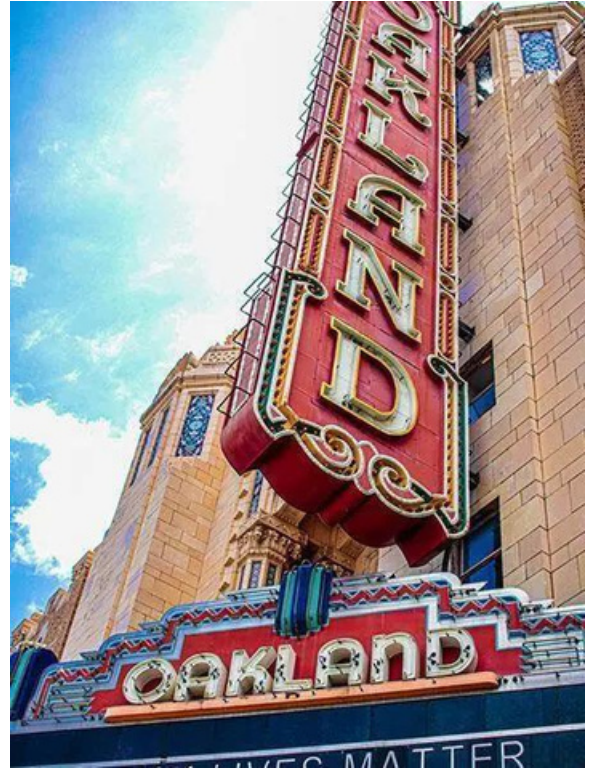
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# WELCOME TO NORTHEASTERN OAKLAND CAMPUS!

*Congratulations on being accepted to Northeastern  
University Oakland Campus.*

*Hello and welcome to the Oakland Campus! Our team of student  
ambassadors is thrilled to have you here. This handbook is designed  
to provide you with useful information and resources about the  
campus, including suggestions on how to make the most of your time  
as a student in Oakland, tips on how to have fun in the Bay Area,  
and other resources to help you succeed. We hope you enjoy your  
experience here and look forward to seeing you thrive on the  
Oakland campus!*

# CAMPUS ACCESS



## 1. Location

Northeastern University is for people who want to solve problems in the world. Northeastern's 135-acre Oakland campus, home to Mills College at Northeastern, is a green oasis with deep connections to a vibrant urban community. The campus features 65 historic and contemporary buildings, many of which are award-winning. These buildings also house 47,600 square feet of academic and laboratory space.

As part of Oakland, our campus affords students and faculty the opportunity to study, work, and live in one of the most ethnically diverse cities in the U.S.—one with an avant-garde arts scene, science and cultural opportunities, excellent cuisine, and a progressive, engaged community.

In addition to our exceptional academic resources, we offer a range of amenities to support the well-being and social lives of our students. These include access to workout facilities, dining hall, library, the Center, Health Center, Sustainability Center, Community Farm, and various indoor and outdoor spaces for eating, studying, and socializing.

If you need to get in touch with us, our address is 5000 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland, CA 94613 (phone: [510 430 2255](tel:5104302255))



## 2. Parking

Campus parking is designated by commuter, residential, guest, and faculty/staff access. All spaces, including reserved residential and administrative stalls, are indicated by signage and/or pavement markings. The Oakland campus also has two electronic vehicle charging stations. Download the [Oakland campus map](#) (PDF) for parking lot, accessible parking area, and EV charging station locations.

Parking permits are required for all residential and commuter students.

- Residential parking permits are limited and issued on a first come, first served basis.
- On-campus residents who do not obtain a residential permit are not allowed to have a personal vehicle on the Oakland campus.
- Commuter students are required to have a permit for their personal vehicle and may only park in the lots designated for commuters.
- All vehicles without a permit are subject to citation and/or towing.
- For all questions regarding parking permits, contact [parkNUOakland@lazparking.com](mailto:parkNUOakland@lazparking.com).

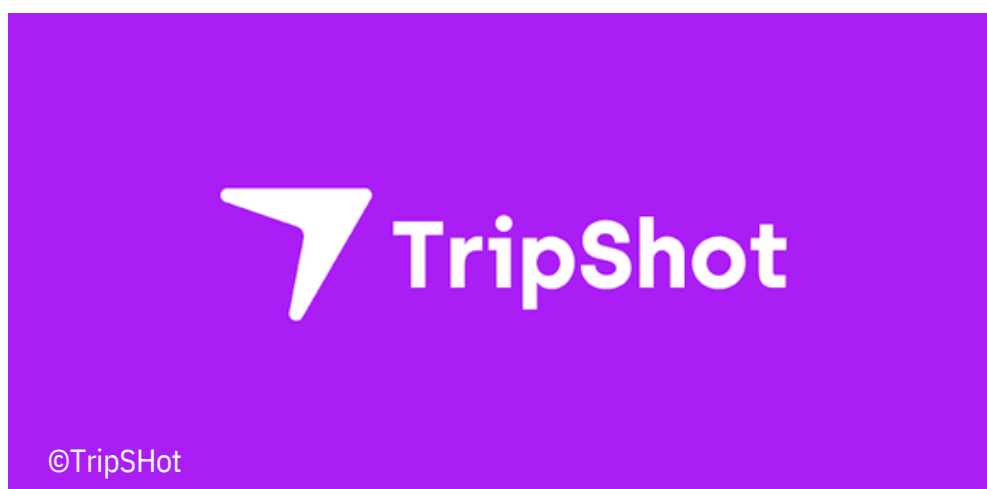
### 3. Public Transportation

Northeastern Oakland participates in AC Transit's EasyPass program which enables students to travel around the East Bay and San Francisco. EasyPasses are distributed during fall and spring orientation. For transit schedules visit [AC Transit's Maps and Schedules](#) page. City buses stop right outside the front gate to our campus. The AC Transit EasyPass you get during orientation allows you to take the bus to explore the East Bay, San Francisco, and the Peninsula. It's easy and convenient, and taking the bus helps you lower your environmental impact.

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Besides, the off campus shuttle runs daily on a fixed loop route, and is operated by a professional driving vendor (WeDriveU). The shuttle runs seven days a week during the academic year and connects students with many of the exciting cultural and social events in the Bay Area. The pick-up and drop-off location is located at the T intersection on the Oakland Campus. There are multiple stops along the route where passengers may access various amenities. Riders with valid Northeastern identification cards are welcome to utilize the shuttle.

The shuttle route and stops are updated on a regular basis. For the most up to date schedule and route, please download the [Tripshot](#) app and sign up using your Northeastern email address and "Mills College" as the service name.





If you're traveling to the Oakland Campus via public transportation, here are some recommended routes:

From Berkeley: Take off campus shuttle at Bancroft, Oxford stop towards Oakland Campus and get off at the T Intersection. (For the most up-to-date schedule and route, please download the Tripshot app and sign up using your Northeastern email address and “Mills College” as the service name.)

From San Francisco: Take the Yellow-N or Red-N BART then get off at 19th St Oakland station, walk to the Uptown Transit Center bus station then take the NL bus towards Eastmont Transit Center and get off at MacArthur Blvd & Pierson St.(Mills College). Alternatively, you may take the NL or 57 bus from the Salesforce Transit Center without transiting and get off at MacArthur Blvd & Pierson St.(Mills College).

Please note that these routes may involve multiple transfers and longer travel times, so it's important to plan accordingly and check the transit agency's website or app for the most up-to-date information.

You can also take Lyft or Uber to the campus, but please note that this option may be more costly. We recommend downloading these ride-sharing apps beforehand if you plan to use them.



## 4. Campus Facilities and Services

### Wi-Fi Access

To connect to the campus Wi-Fi, use NUwave and log in with your myNortheastern username and password.

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[eduroam](#) is the secure roaming wireless network developed for and used by the international research and education community. Students, faculty, and staff can access the [eduroam](#) network at locations worldwide.

To connect, follow the same process as connecting to NUwave, except select eduroam as Wi-Fi network, and enter your Northeastern online account username, followed by '@northeastern.edu' (j.doe@northeastern.edu).

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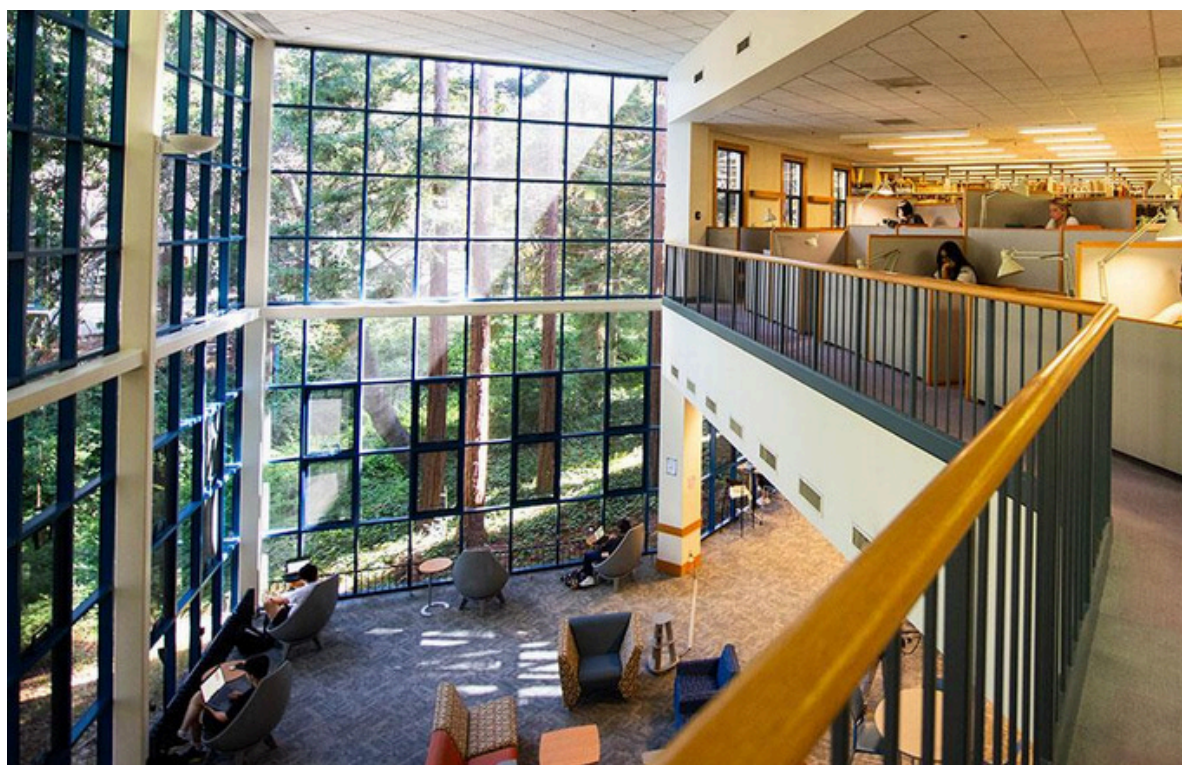
For any queries, you can call the NU Help Desk at (617)-373-HELP or refer to the IT Services webpage at [www.northeastern.edu/its/services/networks/nunet](http://www.northeastern.edu/its/services/networks/nunet) for further details.

### Library

The F. W. Olin Library, in conjunction with the Northeastern Library system, offers in-person and online research support and resources.

The library supports student success through information literacy instruction and research help. We house materials supporting the curriculum with emphasis on literature, music, dance, gender, sexuality, and ethnic studies. We also have robust leisure collections including popular fiction, comics, and magazines. Library materials can be accessed in person or remotely via the library's catalog and electronic databases.

The library is also home to the Special Collections in the Heller Rare Book Room. The collections include printed books, archives, and manuscripts from the 15th century to the present including the Mills College archive.



Students who have questions or need help choosing the right databases for their research can email the F. W. Olin Library staff at [askalibmills@northeastern.libanswers.com](mailto:askalibmills@northeastern.libanswers.com).

### Printing Services

You can access printers on the first floor of F.W. Olin Library with your Husky Card. To start printing, refer to the manual on the side of the printing area or click to view the printer installation instructional video:

for Mac ([https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb\\_article\\_view&sysparm\\_article=KB0013827](https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0013827)) or for PC ([https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb\\_article\\_view&sysparm\\_article=KB0013749&sys\\_kb\\_id=60bae44887a35954e247eb5e0ebb355b&spa=1](https://service.northeastern.edu/tech?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0013749&sys_kb_id=60bae44887a35954e247eb5e0ebb355b&spa=1)).

Each year, students are provided with a limited amount of free printing. At the beginning of the academic year, students receive a \$120 printing credit on their Husky Cards. You can check the balance of your credit on Student Hub under "Husky Card" and "Grad Stdnt PrintBucks". Please note that this annual credit does not roll over from year to year.

The cost of printing is \$0.10 per page for black and white, and \$0.30 per page for color. The cost of printing is automatically deducted from the student's printing credits.

### Study Spaces

During F. W. Olin Library's open hours the following spaces are available:

- Group study rooms on the first floor that can be reserved by all students (visit <https://nuoakland.libcal.com/reserve/StudyRooms> to book your study room)
- Library lounge on the first floor that is available for shared use
- Library seminar room on the second floor that is available for walk-in use

Reminder: be careful not to leave your items unattended. Northeastern cannot be held responsible for personal belongings.



## **Oakland Department of Public Safety**

Our Oakland campus includes a Department of Public Safety (DPS) staffed by trained safety professionals. These dedicated officers manage a centralized operations system that has helped them foster one of the safest campuses in the Bay Area. Officers monitor the campus 24/7, patrol the grounds, respond to emergencies, secure campus buildings, and provide escorts to cars or residence halls after dark. Northeastern public safety and student affairs teams train students, faculty, and staff on safety resources throughout the academic year.

Campus Emergencies: [510.430.3333](tel:510.430.3333)

Public Safety Office: [510.430.5555](tel:510.430.5555)

## **Student Health Center**

The Student Health Center on our Oakland campus provides same- or next-day appointments for routine health needs and free, unlimited 24/7 care for urgent issues via video chat. In addition to our campus location, students can access One Medical offices nationwide, including locations in nearby Berkeley accessible by campus shuttle.

Please bring your Husky card to all visits.

- Basic primary care office visits
- Acute, ongoing, and preventative care
- General health checks/physicals
- Lab tests
- Health education
- Recommended screenings such as pap tests, blood pressure, HIV and other STDs, and cholesterol
- Immunizations
- COVID-19 testing and vaccinations
- Blood work
- Prescription refills
- Specialist referrals

Disclaimer: The health center is not an infirmary, hospital, or emergency department.

Emergency medical issues requiring hospitalization are managed at local hospitals. Students may be encouraged to utilize urgent care clinics, depending on what their insurance recommends.

8 a.m.–5 p.m.\* Closed for lunch 12 p.m.–1 p.m. Monday through Friday \*Extended hours during the week and on weekends are available at nearby Berkeley clinic via campus shuttle.

## **Mental Health Support**

Northeastern students can find mental health support and counseling through Counseling and Psychological Services.

Location: Cowell

Contact: [510.430.2111](tel:510.430.2111)

Email: [oakland-counseling@northeastern.edu](mailto:oakland-counseling@northeastern.edu)

You can also use [Find@Northeastern](#), a comprehensive mental health program through which you can get free, confidential, unlimited support from a licensed mental health counselor by phone, iPad, or laptop 24/7.

Northeastern's university wide [We Care](#) program is a support system that aids students when significant issues arise that impede their success. We Care assists departments in dealing with students in crisis and provides information to faculty and staff who request guidance in identifying existing Northeastern resources and policies that can help students succeed.

## **Food Pantry**

Northeastern is dedicated to enhancing access to food and basic resources for students as they pursue their degrees. Students are not asked to demonstrate need to use the Pantry, but they are welcome to shop from this free service once a week to supplement their food resources.

Hours: 10am – 4pm, Monday through Friday

Location: CPM, Room 103

Email: [oaklandhealth@northeastern.edu](mailto:oaklandhealth@northeastern.edu)

## **Community Farm**

The Community Farm is 2.5 acres of organic urban agriculture with an emphasis on sustainability, education, and local partnerships. As a student, you can work on the farm propagating seeds in the greenhouse, planting the flower and vegetable beds, harvesting the various fruit trees, or selling produce at the weekly farmstand during lunch hour at Rothwell Center.

## Sports and recreation facilities

Take advantage of a variety of [on-campus sports and fitness facilities](#) to keep your body and mind healthy. Northeastern Oakland Campus Sports and Recreation provides students with group fitness, club sport, Esport, intramural, excursion, and open gym/pool opportunities.



## The Center for Leadership, Equity, and Excellence

The Center for Leadership, Equity, and Excellence is the hub of student activities on campus. The center plans co-curricular options to engage students in campus life, provides resources that help students grow, and inspires students to effect change. The center empowers students to become positive change makers through inclusive leadership and social justice opportunities.

To support community building on campus, the center manages lounge spaces for student affinity groups in Rothwell Center. Refer to the [campus map](#) (PDF) for specific locations.

- **Solidarity Lounge (S Lounge):** The Solidarity Lounge opened in September 2003, after a year of intensive activism and broad-based alliance building, as an empowering space for students of color and their allies. A prayer/meditation room is available in the S Lounge for use by people of any faith, religion, or spiritual practice. This lounge is often used as a quiet study space between meetings and is stocked with a range of supplies and snacks.

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.

- **LGBTQIA2S Lounge:** The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual, Two Spirit Space opened in the spring of 2018 to serve as a hub for students to study, hold meetings, programs, and events. As our population grows and becomes more diverse, we want to ensure our LGBTQIA2S community has a space to gather and find community. Students are encouraged to hang out, study, and meet here with the expectation that they respect the community this space serves. Snacks, refreshments, and study materials are provided.

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.

- **Cyclone Rec Room:** The Cyclone Recreation Room provides a comfortable space for students to come together. This rec space and lounge has tables to meet with friends, a television, comfy bean bag chairs and couches for hanging out, and a bulletin board with information about campus events. The lounge is stocked with board games, card games, along with foosball and ping pong tables. Snacks and beverages are available in the Community Health Resource Center next door.

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–12 a.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 4 p.m.–12 a.m.

- **Parenting Lounge\*:** The Parenting Lounge is a place for student parents to connect with one another, share resources, and spend time with their children on campus. The lounge is equipped with a couch, a play area with children's books and games, diapers, a private lactation nook and changing area, refrigerator, and a study table. Parenting students also have access to the Mary Atkins Legacy Lounge kitchen.

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.

- **Mary Atkins Legacy Lounge\*:** The Mary Atkins Lounge has historically been a space for undergraduate resuming students. In August 2022, the lounge has become a commemorative space honoring Mary Atkins and the legacy of Mills College of providing access to education for women and gender non-conforming students. The space is equipped with comfortable chairs and sofas, and students have access to a plethora of snacks, coffee, and tea; a communal fridge; and communal use of school supplies. It is a great place to study, take a break, and connect with other students. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–12 a.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 4 p.m.–12 a.m.
- **Student Leadership Lounge:** The Student Leadership Lounge was relocated and redesigned in 2022 to provide clubs and organizations a space on campus to access club supplies, host meetings, and connect with one another. The lounge holds the ASMC President’s office and provides a space for ASMC members to meet and hold office hours. Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–8 p.m.

## **Mail and Copy Center**

The Mail and Copy Center is located in the heart of campus in Rothwell Center, adjacent to the Tea Shop, so you can stay connected with family and friends. Residential students are assigned individual mailboxes to receive mail and packages, and for additional fees, you can:

- Send mail and packages
- Purchase shipping supplies and postage
- Order premium printing, copying, and finishing services
- Receive or send faxes (domestic and international)





## Dining

Oakland campus dining options feature local ingredients, authentic flavors, and farm-fresh produce (including some harvested from the campus community farm). Guests can enjoy all-you-care-to-eat dining at Founders Commons, featuring a variety of rotating menu items including vegan and vegetarian options, a fresh salad bar, and traditional student favorites. The Tea Shop features a café market-style experience with a coffee bar, made-to-order deli, and a changing selection of hot entrées available through in-person ordering or mobile ordering through the Grubhub app. At Café Suzie, students can stop in for grab-and-go snacks and beverages, grocery items, and school pride merchandise.

For more information about the above dining option, such as meal plan, hours and menu, please visit <https://www.nudining.com/dining>.



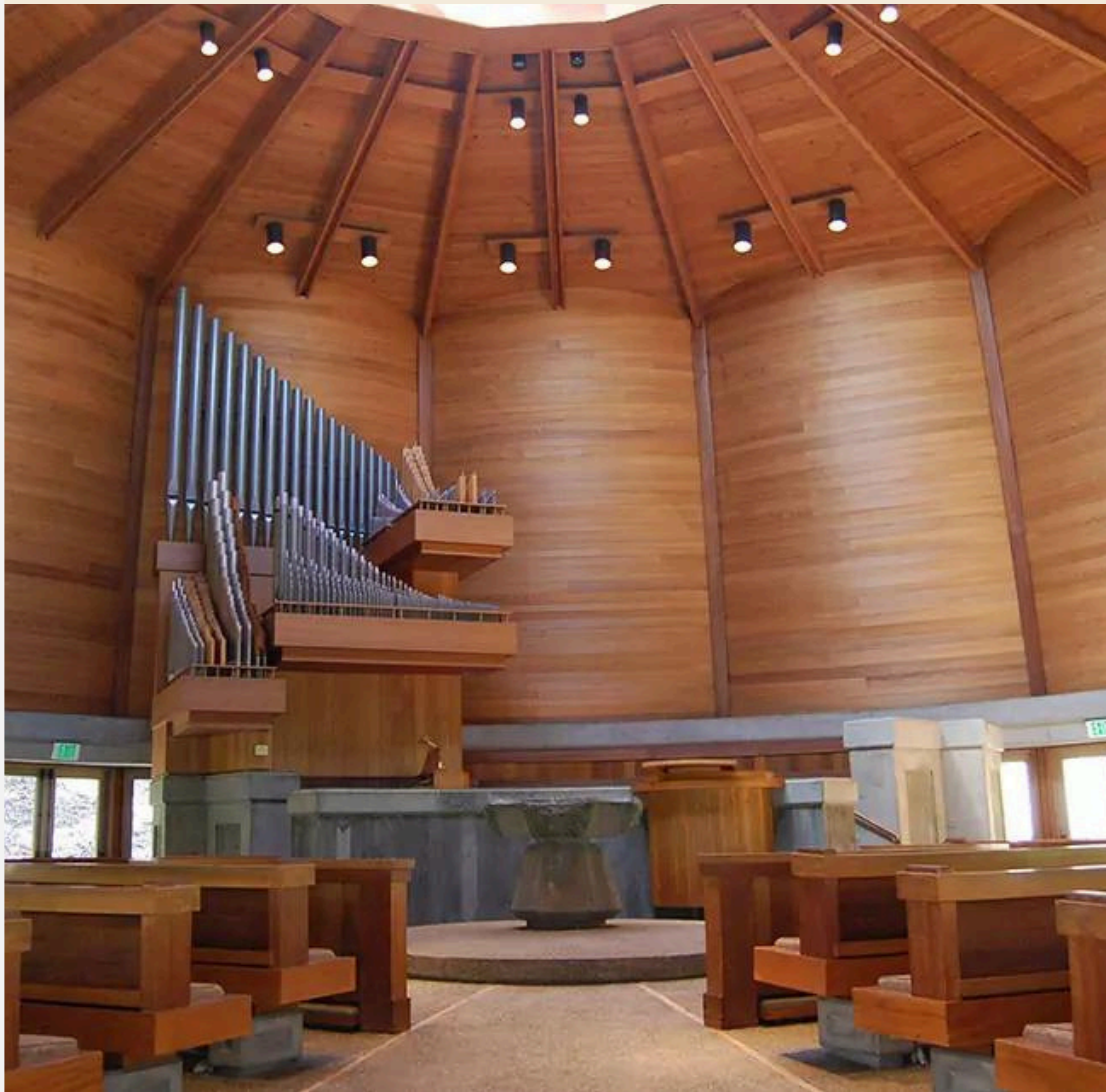
## Sustainability Center

The Sustainability Center your go-to destination for sustainable living and community collaboration. The Reuse Depot accepts donations and offers free items generously contributed by our community.

For hours and upcoming events, follow <https://www.facebook.com/sustainabilityatmills/> for more information.

## **Nondenominational Chapel**

Designed by Callister and Payne and completed in 1967, the chapel is built in the round, with curved redwood pews, a slightly raised central altar, and a beautiful pipe organ. This welcoming, light-filled, wood-and-glass sanctuary is a place for reflection and community gatherings.



# STUDENT LIFE



## 1. Student Resources

Career Development & Experiential Learning Career Development supports Oakland and Silicon Valley students scholars in preparation for career and professional areas. This includes support with creating and updating your resume and professional online profiles, enhancing your personal brand to highlight individual achievements and projects, and hosting events with alumni, employers, and people working in industry. The Career Development team works closely with the regional and national Partnerships teams to share opportunities for internships/co-ops and full time jobs. To learn more, please visit the website (<https://northeastern.sharepoint.com/sites/sfbacareerdev>).



### Global Learner Support

Global Learner Support (GLS) serves all students, scholars, faculty, and staff across Northeastern University's global campus network. Our mission is to provide learners with high-quality language, cultural, and academic support while promoting the development of intercultural competence and global understanding.

GLS hosts a variety of workshops and cultural activities and offers 1:1 tutorials in the areas of academic and professional writing, APA/MLA citation, academic presentations, English conversation, & TOEFL/IELTS preparation.

To make a tutoring appointment, please visit the website (<https://gls.northeastern.edu/gls-tutoring/>). You may also contact us at [globallearnersupport@northeastern.edu](mailto:globallearnersupport@northeastern.edu).



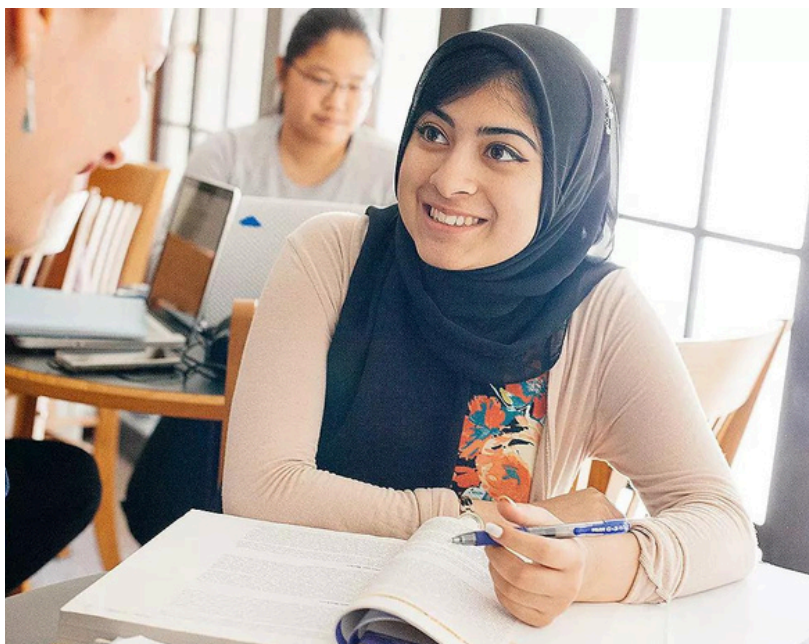
## **International Student Services**

The Office of Global Services(<https://international.northeastern.edu/ogs/>) is committed to being an active resource to the university's community of international students, scholars, and their families. OGS provides professional expertise and support from the time of admission to beyond graduation.

Oakland students needing support with issues regarding F-1 student status, I-20 requests, travel, EAD cards, and other international status related questions or concerns, please email [ogssfsv@northeastern.edu](mailto:ogssfsv@northeastern.edu).

## **Writing and tutoring support**

Our on-campus Writing and Tutoring Center is staffed by trained peer tutors who can assist students with writing for class assignments and with subject-specific tutoring.



- Writing support

You can schedule up to two free one-on-one writing consultations per week (lasting from 45 minutes to one hour) for support on class papers or creative writing projects. If you have a letter on file with Student Access and Support Services or if you're an English language learner, you may sign up for more sessions. (Note: sessions must be scheduled on different days.)

- Peer Tutor

Peer tutors can help you:

- Explore subject concepts
- Discuss difficult questions/topics
- Master your subject material
- Improve your study or exam-taking skills

Peer tutors offer appointment hours throughout the week. They are not available during school breaks, holidays, reading days, or final exams. Be sure to confirm your appointment with your tutor 24 hours before the scheduled time.

Make an appointment through Navigate for either writing support or subject tutoring. Appointments must be made at least one day in advance.

## 2. Student Interest Groups

A Student Interest Group, or SIG, is a group of students who have agreed to come together around a specific topic of interest. SIGs are not recognized as official student clubs by the student government body at Northeastern University. They are student groups that are started and ratified on the campuses of Oakland and/or San Jose. The Student Services office will keep a list of all currently ratified SIGs and their Officers.

### Developer Student Club

Students from all disciplines come together to build real-world solutions for real-world problems. This is a Google outreach initiative to students all over but it is an open community for all. You have the chance to expand your networks with Global DSC comrades and Googlers, direct access to Google related resources such as free certification courses, free credits to Google technologies, learn from Google Experts and workshops they host, hackathons, and simply build awesome things with the support of Google.

Contact Info: [barbielliniamidei.a@northeastern.edu](mailto:barbielliniamidei.a@northeastern.edu)

Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/dsc-northeastern-uni-sfba>

### The Product Folks

The Product Folks is a volunteer-driven community of Product Managers and enthusiasts who are passionate about making an impact and helping everyone grow together. Become a part of the world's most passionate product management community to learn, grow and evolve as a great product manager.

Contact: Allen Sebastian

How to contact: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/allen-sebastian/>



### **The Public Interest Technology Group**

The Public Interest Technology Group is a forum for NU SFBA students to engage in conversations, academic inquiries, and experiential learning opportunities at the intersection of technology and society. We aim to improve the experience of all NU SFBA students by encouraging students to engage with questions about the way their work impacts the members and institutions of society, especially in the context of inequality, public policy, and social justice.

Contact Info: Bobby Zipp, Lead Coordinator, [zipp.r@northeastern.edu](mailto:zipp.r@northeastern.edu)

### **NUPWR**

Womxn Empowering Womxn – Our mission is to support NU womxn(students, staff, faculty) by providing a safe, encouraging and useful space and platform for womxn to share ideas, teach one another and develop their skills across different disciplines.



### **Included Engagement Opportunities**

Read-Hers Book Club: exclusive monthly book club where we will read and discuss meaningful, empowering and womxn-in-tech related books and novels.

Develop-Her Hour: a short re-occurring workshop to teach other womxn how to create a useful project that we can then add to our portfolio.

Ask-Her Hour: specific hours to get help in understanding certain topics that you might be unsure of. And so much more!

Contact Semaa Amin ([amin.se@northeastern.edu](mailto:amin.se@northeastern.edu)) to join or join our Discord server (<https://discord.gg/QNXJ9znD>).

## **Black Engineering Student Society (BESS)**

We are a Student Interest Group that promotes the interests of Black and Brown students in tech through social, networking, and career advancement events. Our mission is to help increase the number of culturally responsible Black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally, and positively impact the community.

We aim to provide:

Inclusive space for Black and Brown Students

Guest speakers in STEM professions.

Information on conferences where you can network with fellow Black students and professionals in tech.

Information and resources on Black and underrepresented-based societies, fellowships, and internships.

Topics and discussions on Black culture.

Retention programs for Black and underrepresented students.

Hackathons and other opportunities for collaborations and networking.

All are welcome!

Contact Info: Bernard Ekezie, [ekezie.b@northeastern.edu](mailto:ekezie.b@northeastern.edu)

For More information about SIG, please visit

<https://studentlife.bayarea.northeastern.edu/student-interest-groups/>.

## **3. Campus Events and Activities**

Northeastern University Event Calendar

<https://calendar.northeastern.edu/>

Cultural Activities by Global Learning Support

<https://gls.northeastern.edu/cultural-activities/>

Events in Oakland Campus

<https://oakland.northeastern.edu/events-calendar/>

Please stay tuned to your email inbox as there are more upcoming events on campus that will allow you to actively engage with the community of Oakland campus!





# LIVING IN OAKLAND AND BAY AREA



# 1. Where to Live

## House Types and Costs

There is a wide range of rental options available for both single and shared living in and around Oakland, as well as throughout Bay Area. Many students opt for studio or one- bedroom apartments in residential buildings. Additionally, it is common for individuals to rent rooms in single-family houses where they share the kitchen and living areas with other tenants.

The average rents for apartments and houses in Oakland (as of September 2023):

Studio apartments: from \$1,600 to \$2,500 per month.

One-bedroom apartments: from \$2,200 to \$3,000 per month.

Two-bedroom apartments: from \$2,600 to \$3,500 per month.

Single-family houses: from \$3,400 to \$5,000 per month.

If you commute to school by car and are considering renting an apartment or house in cities near Oakland, here are some average rent references for your consideration:

**Berkeley:** Berkeley is located approximately 8 miles northwest of Oakland. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Berkeley ranges from \$2,500 to \$3,500 per month.

**San Leandro:** San Leandro is located adjacent to Oakland. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in San Leandro ranges from \$1,800 to \$2,800 per month.

**San Francisco:** San Francisco is located approximately 13 miles west of Oakland. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in San Francisco ranges from \$2,800 to \$4,000 per month.

**Hayward:** Hayward is located approximately 9 miles southeast of Oakland. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in Hayward ranges from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per month.

## Get Started

To kickstart your housing search, it is recommended to visit the Off-Campus Housing and Support Services website (<https://offcampus.sites.northeastern.edu/beyond-boston/>). This valuable resource provides useful information and tools to assist you during your housing search. The website offers guidance on what to consider when looking for a place to live, and it also provides support services. Off-Campus Housing and Support Services can review lease contracts, address concerns with landlords, answer questions about renter's rights, and help resolve issues such as subletting or roommate conflicts that may arise while living off campus. Their expertise ensures that you have the necessary resources and support to navigate the off-campus housing experience with confidence.

Helpful Links:

- Apartment Hunting Checklist:  
<https://bpb-us-e1.wpmucdn.com/sites.northeastern.edu/dist/1/555/files/2024/08/apt-hunting-checklist-2024-fillable.pdf>
- Relocate to Bay Area:  
<https://offcampus.sites.northeastern.edu/resources-san-francisco/>

## 2. Places to Visit in Oakland

Spots to explore in Oakland:

### Oakland Museum of California

The Oakland Museum of California is dedicated to exploring the natural, artistic, and social history of California. It features a diverse collection of art, history, and natural science exhibits.

Address: 1000 Oak St, Oakland, CA 94607

Website: [museumca.org](https://museumca.org)



### Jack London Square

Jack London Square is a vibrant waterfront destination offering dining, entertainment, and shopping options. Visitors can enjoy waterfront dining, take a stroll along the marina, or explore the various shops and boutiques.

Address: Broadway & Embarcadero, Oakland, CA 94607

Website: [jacklondonsquare.com](https://jacklondonsquare.com)

### Lake Merritt

Lake Merritt is a picturesque saltwater lake located in the heart of Oakland. It offers opportunities for outdoor recreation such as walking, jogging, birdwatching, and picnicking. Visitors can also rent paddleboats and enjoy scenic views of the city skyline.

Address: Lakeside Dr, Oakland, CA 94612

Website: <https://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/lake-merritt-the-jewel-of-oakland>

### Chabot Space & Science Center

The Chabot Space & Science Center is an interactive science museum and planetarium. It features hands-on exhibits, interactive displays, and a state-of-the-art planetarium that offers educational shows and presentations.

Address: 10000 Skyline Blvd, Oakland, CA 94619

Website: [chabotspace.org](https://chabotspace.org)

## **Oakland Zoo**

The Oakland Zoo is home to over 750 native and exotic animals. It offers immersive exhibits, educational programs, and conservation initiatives aimed at raising awareness about wildlife and habitat preservation.

Address: 9777 Golf Links Rd, Oakland, CA 94605

Website: [oaklandzoo.org](http://oaklandzoo.org)



## **Fox Theater**

The Fox Theater is a historic theater in downtown Oakland known for its stunning Art Deco architecture and hosting live music performances, concerts, and cultural events.

Address: 1807 Telegraph Ave, Oakland, CA 94612

Website: [thefoxoakland.com](http://thefoxoakland.com)

## **The Cathedral of Christ the Light**

The Cathedral of Christ the Light is a modern architectural marvel known for its unique design and stunning stained glass windows. It serves as the cathedral of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Oakland.

Address: 2121 Harrison St, Oakland, CA 94612

Website: [ctlcathedral.org](http://ctlcathedral.org)

## **Oakland Aviation Museum**

The Oakland Aviation Museum is dedicated to preserving and showcasing the history of aviation in the Bay Area. It features a collection of vintage aircraft, exhibits on aviation history, and interactive displays.

Address: 8252 Earhart Rd, Oakland, CA 94621

Website: [oaklandaviationmuseum.org](http://oaklandaviationmuseum.org)

### 3. Foods in Oakland

If you're looking for a bite to eat or a place to hang out in Oakland after your classes at Northeastern University Oakland Campus, here are some recommendations:



#### **Ike's Love & Sandwiches**

Ike's Love & Sandwiches is a popular sandwich shop known for its creative and delicious sandwich combinations. They offer a wide range of options, including vegetarian and vegan choices, with generous portions at affordable prices.

Food Type: Sandwiches

Location: 2204 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612

Website: <https://www.ikessandwich.com/>

#### **Brown Sugar Kitchen**

Brown Sugar Kitchen is a beloved spot known for its soul food-inspired dishes with a modern twist. From delectable chicken and waffles to shrimp and grits, it offers a taste of Southern comfort cuisine in a cozy setting.

Food Type: Soul food, American

Address: 2295 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612

Website: [brownsugarkitchen.com](https://www.brownsugarkitchen.com)

## **Hawking Bird**

Hawking Bird serves up delicious Southeast Asian street food, specializing in Vietnamese-style chicken and rice dishes. With a casual ambiance and flavorful menu, it's a perfect spot for a quick and satisfying meal.

Food Type: Vietnamese, Street Food

Address: 4901 Telegraph Ave, Oakland, CA 94609

Website: [hawkingbird.com](http://hawkingbird.com)

## **Homeroom**

Homeroom is a popular eatery renowned for its gourmet macaroni and cheese creations. With a diverse menu featuring both classic and inventive variations, it offers a comforting dining experience for mac and cheese enthusiasts.

Food Type: American, Comfort Food

Address: 400 40th St, Oakland, CA 94609

Website: [homeroom510.com](http://homeroom510.com)

## **Grand Lake Kitchen**

Grand Lake Kitchen is a bustling neighborhood cafe and deli serving up a wide range of breakfast, brunch, and lunch options. From hearty sandwiches to fresh salads, it's a go-to spot for delicious and satisfying meals.

Food Type: American, Deli

Address: 576 Grand Ave, Oakland, CA 94610

Website: [grandlakekitchen.com](http://grandlakekitchen.com)

## **PIZZAIOLO**

Pizzaiolo is a rustic-chic pizzeria known for its wood-fired Neapolitan-style pizzas made with seasonal, locally sourced ingredients. With a cozy ambiance and flavorful pies, it's an ideal spot for a casual yet delicious dining experience.

Food Type: Italian, Pizza

Address: 5008 Telegraph Ave, Oakland, CA 94609

Website: [pizzaioloakland.com](http://pizzaioloakland.com)

### **Daughter Thai Kitchen**

Daughter Thai Kitchen offers modern Thai cuisine in a stylish setting. The menu includes traditional Thai dishes with a contemporary twist, featuring bold flavors and fresh ingredients. Popular dishes include pad Thai, curries, and grilled meats.

Address: 6118 Medau Pl, Oakland, CA 94611

Website: [daughterthai.com](http://daughterthai.com)

### **Phnom Penh House**

Phnom Penh House offers traditional Cambodian cuisine in a cozy atmosphere. The menu features a variety of Cambodian specialties, including flavorful soups, stir-fries, and grilled meats. Don't miss their famous Cambodian-style beef noodle soup.

Address: 251 8th St #108, Oakland, CA 94607

Website: [phnompenhouse.com](http://phnompenhouse.com)

### **Tay Ho Oakland**

Description: Tay Ho Oakland specializes in authentic Vietnamese cuisine, with a focus on pho and other noodle dishes. The menu also features classic Vietnamese appetizers, rice plates, and grilled specialties. The restaurant offers a cozy atmosphere with friendly service.

Address: 344 12th St, Oakland, CA 94607

Website: [tayhooakland.com](http://tayhooakland.com)

## 4. Tech Attractions in Bay Area

Bay Area, renowned for its innovative technology companies such as Google, Apple, Meta, and Uber, offers an array of fascinating points of interest that are worth exploring. Why not embrace your inner geek and visit these iconic Silicon Valley landmarks? Don't miss the opportunity to experience the innovation and creativity that defines this vibrant tech hub while pursuing your studies at the Oakland Campus!

### Computer History Museum

The Computer History Museum in Mountain View, California is a must-see for tech enthusiasts. The museum is dedicated to preserving and showcasing the history of computing and its impact on society. Visitors can explore a wide range of exhibits, including early computing machines, vintage computers and video games, and interactive displays that illustrate the evolution of technology. There are also special exhibits that delve into topics like artificial intelligence and the future of computing. The museum is open seven days a week and offers guided tours, as well as educational programs and events.

Address: 1401 N. Shoreline Blvd, Mountain View, CA 94043

Website: <https://computerhistory.org/>



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## Apple Park

Apple Park is the headquarters of Apple Inc. located in Cupertino, California. The iconic spaceship-shaped building covers an area of 2.8 million square feet and is surrounded by a 175-acre park with walking and running trails, as well as a pond. Although the campus is not open to the public, visitors can still take a glimpse of the futuristic building and its

surroundings from a designated visitor center. The visitor center offers an augmented reality experience, a rooftop observation deck, and an Apple Store with exclusive merchandise. If you're a tech enthusiast or an Apple fan, the Apple Park visitor center is a must-see destination in Silicon Valley.

Address: 10600 North Tantau Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014

Website: <https://www.apple.com/retail/appleparkvisitorcenter/>



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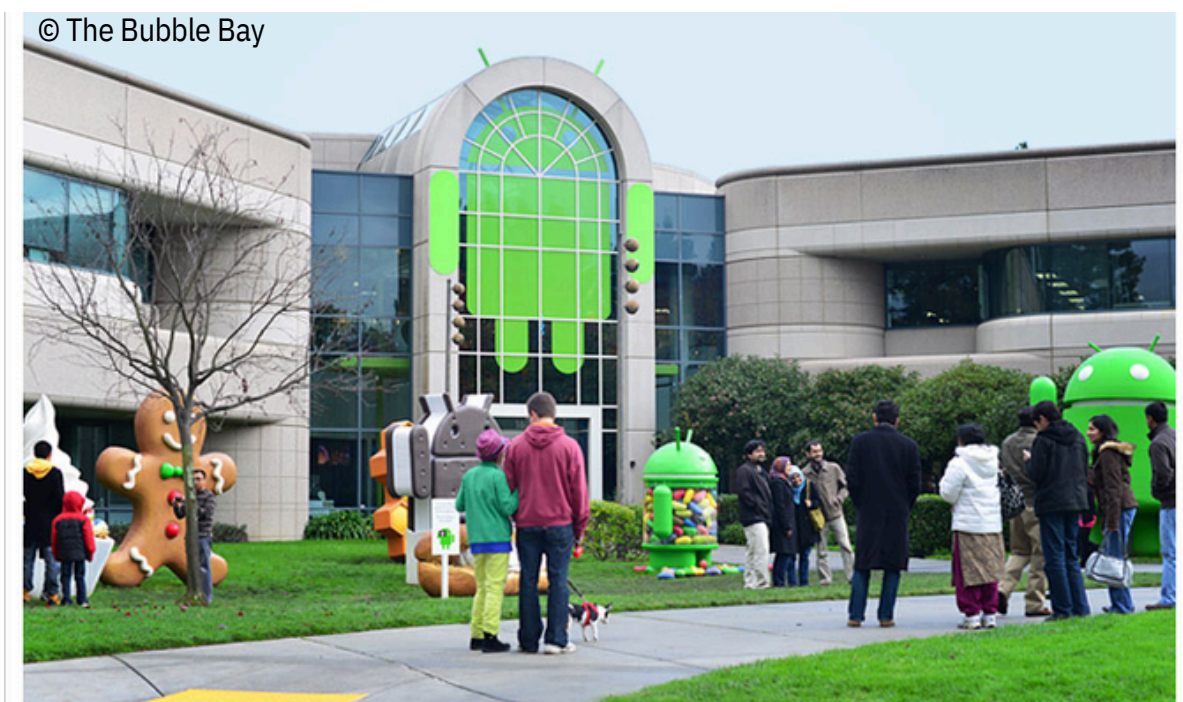
## Googleplex Campus & Android Statue Garden

The Googleplex Campus is the headquarters of Google Inc. located in Mountain View, California. As one of the most iconic tech campuses in the world, it offers a glimpse into the innovative and dynamic culture of Google. While access to the campus is restricted to employees and authorized visitors, visitors can still explore the Android Statue Garden, which is open to the public. The Android Statue Garden features colorful statues representing different versions of the Android operating system. It's a great spot for tech enthusiasts and visitors to take photos and learn about the evolution of Android. Keep in mind that it's important to respect the privacy and security policies of the campus while visiting the Android Statue Garden.

Address: 1600 Amphitheatre Pkwy, Mountain View, CA 94043



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## Stanford University

Stanford University is a prestigious and renowned institution located in Stanford, California. It is known for its world-class academic programs, cutting-edge research, and beautiful campus. Visitors to Stanford can explore the historic Main Quad, which is surrounded by stunning architecture and serves as the heart of the university. The campus also boasts attractions like the Stanford Memorial Church, the Cantor Arts Center, and the Rodin Sculpture Garden, which houses a collection of famous sculptures by Auguste Rodin. Nature lovers can enjoy the scenic landscapes and walking trails in the Stanford Arboretum and the nearby Dish Trail. Stanford is also home to a vibrant arts community, with performances at the Bing Concert Hall and exhibitions at the Anderson Collection. Whether you're interested in academics, culture, or natural beauty, a visit to Stanford University offers a rich and rewarding experience.

Address: 450 Serra Mall, Stanford, CA 94305

Website: <https://visit.stanford.edu/explore-campus/>



## 5. Travelling more in California

### Disneyland

Whether you're looking for a family vacation or an adults-only trip, Disneyland Resort offers everything you could possibly need. Experience Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge, enjoy lots of delectable snacks across all the parks (turkey drumstick, anyone?), for the ultimate thrilling vacation remember to include a visit to Universal Studios Hollywood, Knott's Berry Farm, SeaWorld San Diego, Legoland or one of the other great theme parks!



### Golden Gate Bridge

The Golden Gate Bridge is a suspension bridge spanning the Golden Gate, the one-mile-wide (1.6 km) strait connecting San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean. The structure links the U.S. city of San Francisco, California—the northern tip of the San Francisco Peninsula—to Marin County, carrying both U.S. Route 101 and California State Route 1 across the strait. It also carries pedestrian and bicycle traffic, and is designated as part of U.S. Bicycle Route 95. Recognized by the American Society of Civil Engineers as one of the Wonders of the Modern World, the bridge is one of the most internationally recognized symbols of San Francisco and California.



**California’s National Forests and National Parks**

For the hikers, snowshoers, cross country skiers, and general nature lovers, California’s national forests and parks offer a range of exciting options across the state.

With 20 national forests, you’ll have a hard time choosing which one to visit first. Try the Angeles forest, Los Angeles’ backyard, for its rough terrain and untouched beauty. San Bernardino forest is an excellent option for some remote camping, and it even has wheelchair-accessible fishing piers. Discover the prehistoric indigenous rock art of Los Padres forest, the lava tube of Lassen forest, or journey into the Cleveland forest and down the Pacific Crest National Scenic trail to arrive at the Sierra mountains.

Of course, the national parks have their own share of unique sites. Joshua Tree National Park is a desert park with world-famous climbing and bouldering, Yosemite National Park has incredible hiking year-round, and Sequoia National Park has trees so enormous that you can drive through fallen redwoods that have been carved into tunnels!



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# STUDENT VOICES





## **Student Ambassador: Xiaomei Du**

### **23 Fall Information Systems Student**

As a student pursuing Information Systems at Northeastern University's Oakland campus, I couldn't be more thrilled with my experience here. This campus offers a dynamic environment where innovation and collaboration are at the forefront of everything we do.

Nestled in the scenic surroundings of Oakland, California, Northeastern's Oakland campus is not just a hub of academic excellence, but also a place of unparalleled beauty. With lush greenery and modern architecture blending seamlessly together, it's truly a sight to behold. Moreover, the weather in Oakland is simply delightful, with abundant sunshine and mild temperatures year-round. This creates the perfect backdrop for both academic pursuits and leisure activities, allowing students to make the most of their time on campus.

But the beauty of the campus is just one aspect of what makes Northeastern's Oakland campus so special. It's also home to an array of campus resources designed to support students in every aspect of their academic journey. From state-of-the-art laboratories to cozy study nooks, there's a wealth of facilities available to enhance the learning experience.



Additionally, the campus boasts a vibrant community atmosphere, with students from diverse backgrounds coming together to learn and grow. This diversity not only enriches the academic experience but also fosters a sense of inclusivity and belonging.

One of my favorite spots on campus is the library. With its expansive collection of books, journals, and digital resources, it's the perfect place to dive into research or study for exams. Plus, the library offers a peaceful and serene atmosphere that's conducive to deep concentration and productivity.

And let's not forget about the numerous events and activities that take place on campus throughout the year. From career fairs to cultural festivals, there's always something happening that allows students to expand their horizons and connect with their peers.

All in all, Northeastern's Oakland campus offers not only a top-notch education but also a beautiful and welcoming environment where students can thrive both academically and personally. If you're considering pursuing a degree in a tech-related field, I wholeheartedly recommend Northeastern's Oakland campus as the ideal place to begin your journey toward success in the tech industry.



# OTHER RESOURCES



# 1. Campus Map

Refer to the [campus map \(PDF\)](#) here.

**Academic and Service Buildings**

C1: Aron Art Center (ARC)	B3: Kapiolani Cottage (KPC)
C1: Aron Art Center A (ACA)	B4: Kimball House (KM)
C2: Aron Art Center B (ACB)	C2: Larsen House (LS)
C1: Aron Art Center C (ACC)	R2: Lissler Hall (LS)
C1: Aron Art Center D (ACD)	B2: Littlefield Concert Hall (LCH)
C1: Aron Art Center E (ACE)	B2: Lokey School (GSB)
C1: Aron Art Center F (ACF)	B3: Mills Hall (MLS)
C1: Art Museum (ART)	B3: Moore Natural Sciences Building (NSB)
C2: Botanic Garden/Gala House (BGH)	R2: Music Building (MUS)
C3: Carnegie Hall (CNG)	C2: Reinhardt Alumnae House (RAH)
B2: Chapel (CHP)	A1: Richards Lodge (RCH)
B2: Cowell (COW)	C2: Ross House (ROS)
B3: CPM (CPM)	C2: Rothwell Center (RTC)
B3: Education Complex/Children's School (EDC)	C3: Sage Hall (SGH)
C2: F. W. Olin Library (LJB)	B2: Stern Hall (STN)
B3: Fine Arts Annex (FAA)	B3: Student Health Center (SHC)
B2: Founders Commons (FND)	B4: Wetmore Lodge (WET)
B2: Greek Theatre (GRK)	C2: Vera M. Long Building (VML)
	B2: Visitor Center (VTC)

**Residential Buildings**

A2: Courtyard Townhouses (CVT)	A2: Underwood Apartments (UWA)
D2: Ege Hall (EGE)	C2: Warren Olney Hall (WOH)
B3: Ethel Moore Hall (EMH)	C2: White Hall (WTH)
A4: Faculty Village (FV)	
B3: Mary Morse Hall (MMH)	
B2: Orchard Meadow Hall (OMH)	
B2: Prospect Hill Apartments (PHA)	
C2: Reinhardt Hall (RHH)	

**Rothwell Center**

Adams Plaza (AP)	Mary Adkins Legacy Lounge (MA)
Cafe Sue (CS)	Parenting Lounge (PL)
Center for Leadership, Equity, and Excellence (CLE)	Rothwell Theater (RT)
Center for Student Involvement (CSI)	Solidarity Lounge (SL)
Cyclone Rec Room (CY)	Student Leadership Lounge (SLL)
Husky Store (HS)	Student Union (SU)
LGBTQA2S Space (LGI)	Tea Shop (TS)
Mail & Copy Center (MC)	
The Marketplace (MP)	
Package Lockers (PKG)	
Phyto Tech Bar (TB)	

**Recreation**

A2: Community Farm (CF)
B2: Haas Pavilion (HP)
A1: Helman Soccer Field (SF)
B1: Meyer Tennis Center (TC)
B1: Trefethen Aquatic Center (AC)

**Legend**

- ATM
- Commuter and guest parking areas - includes accessible parking
- Emergency phone
- EV charging stations and spaces
- Guard booth
- Bus/Shuttle/Rideshare stop
- One-way street
- Pine Top Fitness Trail (about 2 miles)
- Resident parking - permit only
- Restrooms in Rothwell Center
- Zipcar carshare

**Oakland Campus Map**

**Northeastern University**

## 2. Connect with Student Ambassadors

Xiaomei Du: COE Graduate Student Ambassador at Oakland Campus

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COE graduate student ambassadors team

Email: [coeambassadors@northeastern.edu](mailto:coeambassadors@northeastern.edu)

Webiste: <https://coegraduatestudentambassadors.sites.northeastern.edu/>

## 3. Useful Links and Contact Information

Academics: <https://oakland.northeastern.edu/academics/>

Student resources: <https://oakland.northeastern.edu/student-resources/>