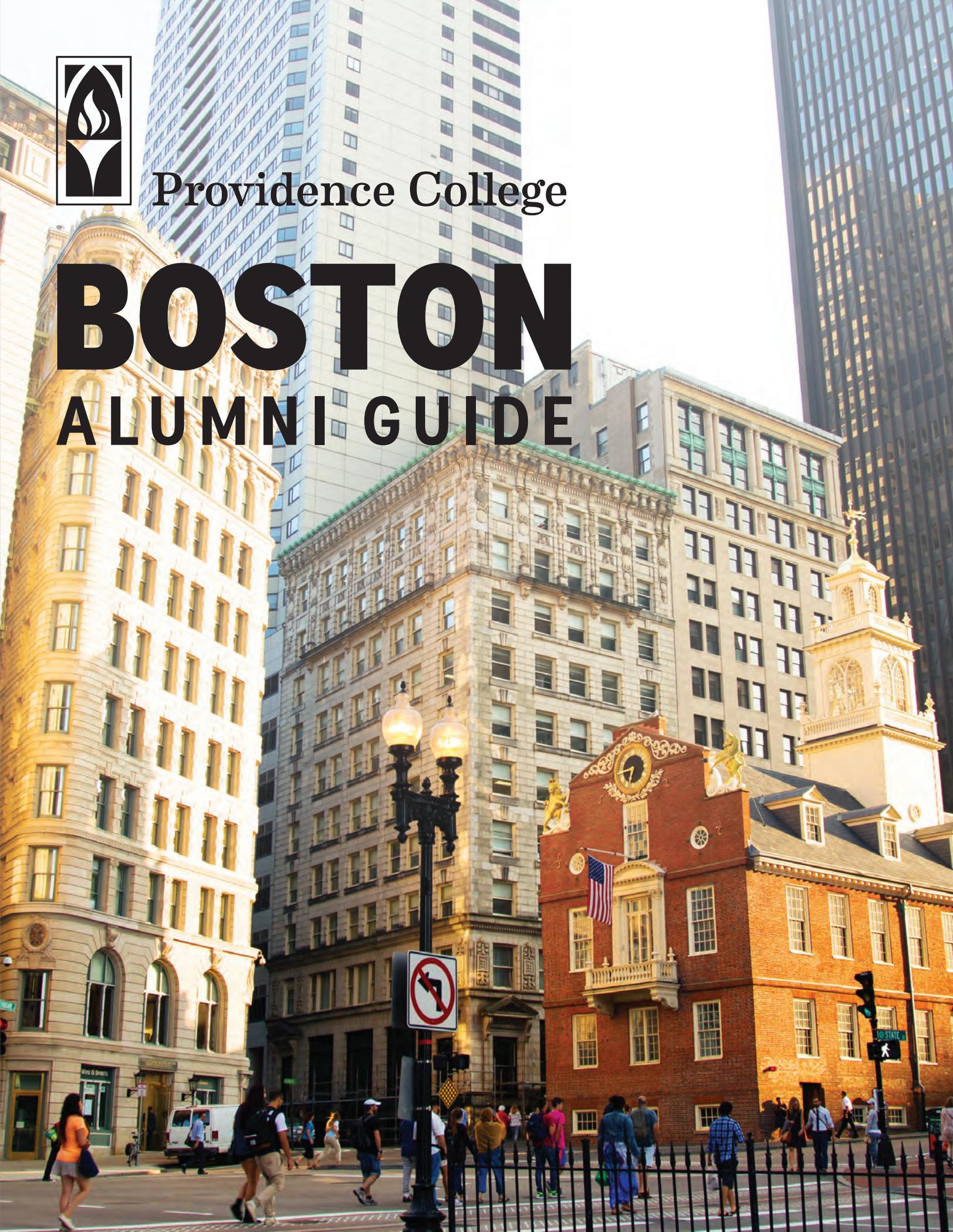




Providence College

BOSTON ALUMNI GUIDE





FROM FRIARTOWN TO BEANTOWN!

Did you know there are more than 8,500 Providence College alumni living and working in Greater Boston? We've tapped into the minds of our alumni community to present you with this all-inclusive guide to your new hometown.

Within these pages, you'll find their best tips, recommendations, and advice for making the most out of your time in Boston. Remember: The Friar family is always here for you, wherever you may go.

Enjoy and Go Friars!

The Greater Boston Alumni Club



Church and Parish Recommendations

The Office of Mission and Ministry has recommended parishes with vibrant young adult ministries in 15 major cities.

Visit prov.ly/churches-and-parishes to see the complete list.

WHERE TO LIVE

Housing and Neighborhoods

Brookline

"You get the feel of living in the city without the Boston price tag. The grocery stores, restaurants, bars, and the T are within walking distance. Only 30 minutes on the T to get to Government Center!"

Ellie Denson '19

Dorchester

"It's an up and coming area, so you'll generally get more for your dollar without sacrificing easy access to Boston."

Bobby Arruda '15

North End

"The North End is a younger environment, reasonably priced, and walkable for the entire city."

Emma Granowitz '16

Somerville

"Best benefit of living in Somerville? Driveways! You get easy access to your car without having to pay for parking. You also have easy access to the Orange Line."

Kevin Driscoll '18

Southie (a.k.a South Boston)

"Young Friars will love this neighborhood. Pick the west side of Southie for more access to bars and the Red Line. The east side is closer to the beach and is accessible by bus."

Jennifer Peterson '14



GEMARCO'S
North Square
RESTAURANT

MAMMA MARIA



City Tap House
FORT POINT

“A bar with a never-ending tap list, with something for everyone. It’s a great spot for young professionals. If you want to order food, you can sit outside at year-round firepits.”

Courtney McCurdy '15



WHERE TO **EAT / PLAY**

Dining and Nightlife

The Bell in Hand Tavern

DOWNTOWN

"This place is great for a night out. They always have a live band on the first floor and a DJ on the second."

Abi Alegi '14

Dillon's

BACK BAY • CO-OWNERS,
MICHAEL '87 AND NEIL '91 GLYNN

"It's a great spot to grab a drink and apps after work, especially if you work or live in the Back Bay area."

Devon Guanci '19

Pier 6

CHARLESTOWN

"Such a great place to dine in the summer. Right on Boston Harbor, they have incredible views overlooking the city. The food selection is definitely more upscale and artistic, and there are plenty of options for seafood lovers."

Courtney McCurdy '15

The Playwright Bar

SOUTH BOSTON

"They have trivia every Tuesday night with a different theme for each week's questions."

Jennifer Peterson '14

Sonsie

BACK BAY WEST

"Their big windows open up in the spring and summer to a view of Newbury Street! They have some of the best brunch in town, so it's the perfect place to go on the weekend and people-watch!"

Ellie Denson '19

Sorellina

BACK BAY

"One of the best Italian restaurants in Boston. It also reminds me of the more 'modern Italian' restaurants on Federal Hill."

Bobby Arruda '15

WHAT TO ENJOY

*Events, activities,
and entertainment*

The Lawn on D

“Grassy outdoor space with music, drinks, and food.”

Bobby Arruda '15

Marathon Monday

“The oldest annual marathon race in the world! Take advantage of the state holiday and cheer the runners as they race to Copley Square.”

Abi Alegi '14

Museums

“On some Monday holidays, the Museum of Fine Arts and Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (both in the Fenway neighborhood) are free.”

Courtney McCurdy '15

Shopping on Newbury Street and the Prudential Center

“While there are many stores in Back Bay that have been there for years, there are also pop-ups and new stores you can visit. There is definitely something for everyone.”

Devon Guanci '19

Southie Saint Patrick's Day Parade

“The parade begins at the Broadway T station and ends at Andrew Square. The best view of the parade is anywhere along Broadway.”

Abi Alegi '14

Sporting Events at Fenway Park and TD Garden

“Boston is known for its great sports teams, so any game is an experience and will never disappoint.”

Ellie Denson '19



PRO TIPS

*Advice and
parting words*

“Boston has a lot to offer when it comes to history, culture, dining, and nightlife. Take the time to explore every neighborhood to understand what makes each area unique. We are fortunate to have many fellow Friars in Boston, but you’ll also meet, learn from, and work with many other people who now call the city home.

Of course, it’s a great perk that we’re a short drive or train ride from Friartown!”

Bobby Arruda '15

“Most of the leases in Boston start on Sept. 1, so if you are looking to move in, I would start looking as early as April/May. Due to the timeline of my job offer, I ended up looking at apartments in the last week of August and it was so stressful. It all worked out, as it always does, but to avoid unnecessary stress I would start looking as early as you can!”

Ellie Denson '19

“Explore the city and make an effort to see other areas outside of where you live and work. There are a ton of people in Boston to meet, and a lot of them are like the friends you had at PC. And as always, attend the Boston alumni events. There are game watches and fun events where you can meet fellow alumni.”

Emma Granowitz '16

“The T is very confusing, even for those who use it every day. Be patient, give yourself extra time, and don’t panic. Managers are very understanding that the T gets delayed often and that it is out of the passenger’s control. Take time to map out the route you’re going to take prior to your first day in the office.”

Courtney McCurdy '15

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EASY WAYS YOU CAN STAY FOREVER A FRIAR

1

Keep your information **up-to-date** so you don't miss out on important items like the Providence College Magazine:

alumni.providence.edu/update-info

2

Get involved with the **Providence College Greater Boston Alumni Club** or another regional alumni club/network:

alumni.providence.edu/regional-alumni-clubs

3

Join **FriarLink**, PC's online career network, and support the career development needs of PC students:

friarlink.providence.edu

4

Follow us on **social media** for PC news and updates:

 **Providence College Alumni, Boston PC Alumni**

 **@provcollege_alumni, @BostonPCAlumni**

 **@pc_alumni, @BostonPCAlumni**

5

Visit our **alumni website** to discover even more ways to stay connected with PC:

alumni.providence.edu

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