Lincolnshire is one of the most beautiful counties in England with diverse landscapes including sandy beaches, conservation areas, nature reserves and the wonderful city of Lincoln. In addition there are a number of attractive market towns and villages.

Boston is a small, quiet, rural location with a population of around 65,000 people.

Located on the East Coast, it is an area of rich farmland, and has a fascinating agricultural and maritime history. Boston is a sea port with docks, a fishing fleet, and is only half an hour from the seaside holiday town of Skegness.

The town has a variety of shops, sports and entertainment facilities. There are good road and rail links to cities such as Lincoln, Nottingham and Cambridge, with London just two and a half hours away by train.

The town is easy to find your way around, either on foot or by bike, and is a safe and pleasant place in which to live and study.
FACILITIES AND COLLEGE LIFE

Boston College is continually investing in its buildings and facilities, creating inspirational learning spaces and real working environments to enhance the learning experience of all students.

ROCHFORD CAMPUS

The College’s main campus, you will find teaching buildings as well as the library, Learner Services, Enterprise Zone, a variety of dining facilities, Hall of Residence and a fully equipped launderette.

A-levels are taught in a purpose built centre, Boston College: SIXTH. Boston College University Centre is where students studying International Access, HNCs, HNDs and Foundation Degrees will find computer suites, classrooms and their own social space.

SAM NEWSOM CENTRE

Music and Performing Arts students are based at our dedicated centre where facilities include music technology and DJ suites, recording studios, an ICT suite and an outstanding auditorium.

HAIRDRESSING AND BEAUTY SALONS

Treat yourself to head-to-toe pampering and high quality treatments without breaking the bank by visiting our in-house hair and beauty salon, Style Academy.

FOOD AND DRINK

The Diner and Deli – for lunch and snacks.
Lime Restaurant – our fine dining restaurant.
The Food Court – tasty new menus are offered every day.
The Coffee Shop – grab a coffee and cake on the go.

PETER PAINE PERFORMANCE CENTRE

At our sports facility you will find four football pitches, a gym, badminton courts, table tennis, basketball courts, indoor cricket, a dance studio, a sports hall and an outdoor multi-use games area.

SWIMMING POOL

FREE swimming is available to Boston College students, at the Geoff Moulder Leisure Complex, next to Rochford Campus.

TRIPS PACKAGE AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

An all-inclusive trips package is offered at the start of the academic year which includes, for example, day trips to Cambridge, Lincoln, Nottingham, York and activities such as ice skating, paint balling and Chinese New Year celebration. We also arrange activities such as quiz nights, cooking clubs, and sports as well as an end of term party. There may also be an opportunity to join an overseas tour of India during the Easter holiday.

WE ARE THE NUMBER 1 TOP PERFORMING COLLEGE IN LINCOLNSHIRE FOR THE THIRD YEAR RUNNING.

OFSTED (National Inspection)
- Good for quality of teaching, learning and assessment.

GUARANTEED ACCOMMODATION.

100% A-level pass rate.

EXTENSIVE STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICE AVAILABLE TO ALL STUDENTS.

OFSTED (National Inspection)
- Good for accommodation of 16-18 year olds.

100% Higher Education Student Satisfaction, National Student Survey 2017.

OUR STUDENTS LOVE IT HERE

Here’s a selection of reasons why our students think they made the best choice:

“I like that there are people from different countries with different cultures here in Boston. If you are open-minded, hard-working and want new opportunities, Boston College should be your choice.”
Felix Ricken
From Germany

“I gained confidence in speaking English and enhanced my writing and listening skills. I made friends from all over the world and learned how to be independent from managing my time well to budgeting for food.”
Tiffany Tong
From Hong Kong

“I studied A-levels in the UK laid a foundation of knowledge and gave me the possibility of further study abroad. I particularly like the innovative teaching style which encourages students to be creative.”
Felix Ricken
From Germany

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STUDENT SUPPORT

We are experienced in helping students from overseas settle into their new home and working environment.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

We will send you all of the information you will need, including details relating to your course and your accommodation.

ON YOUR ARRIVAL

You will be met at the airport by our staff and taken directly to your accommodation. You will receive a welcome booklet which includes lots of useful information including maps, tips for your first few days and details about an induction to help you settle in.

WELCOME EVENT

You will be invited to a welcome event where you will meet the staff, be given a tour of the College and enjoy a buffet reception with students from other countries as you make new friends for the year ahead.

In the first few days, we will assess what language support you will need, help you open a bank account and register with a doctor as well as support you with anything else you need before you start your course.

Within the friendly and caring environment of Boston College you can be sure there will always be a member of staff available to help or listen. Our dedicated Student Support Network includes Counsellors, Student Support Officers and Careers Advisers. There is also a dedicated International Team who are there to help with day-to-day matters.

ACCOMMODATION

We understand the need for comfortable, affordable and appropriate accommodation where you can relax and study.

Located on the Rochford Campus, the Hall of Residence is a 125 room, purpose-built accommodation block to help students become more independent. Individual study bedrooms are arranged in flats, each accommodating 5-10 students. Each student has their own individual study bedroom and will share kitchen and bathroom facilities with the other students in the flat.

Facilities include:

- Free WiFi and internet access
- TV point
- Warden in residence
- Overnight security officers
- Laundrette

Homestay (half-board) accommodation is available to students who prefer to live with a local family. Please contact the International Team for more information.

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PROGRESSION ROUTES

Your entry point will depend on your level of English. Progression options are shown below.

**Entry Point 1**
For those with an English level below IELTS 5.5:
- English as a Foreign Language – 6 weeks to 1 year
- Vocational, Academic and Cultural Experience (V.A.C.E) – 20 weeks

**Entry Point 2**
For those with an English level of IELTS 5.5 or above:
- A-levels – 1 or 2 years
- International Access to Higher Education – 1 year
- Vocational Diplomas – 1 or 2 years

Progress to:
- Boston College HNC/HND or University
- Employment

Please note you must be over 16 years to attend a course at Boston College.

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INTERNATIONAL ACCESS TO UNIVERSITY

Boston College’s International Access to Higher Education Diploma programme is a nationally approved Level 3 qualification which allows students to raise their academic standard to university entrance level. It also enables them to gain the appropriate level of English (IELTS 6-7). The course is nationally approved by AIM Awards.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**
You will need to be 17 years old and have studied to an appropriate level. You will also need an IELTS score of 5.5 or equivalent.

**Start Date:** September
**Length of Course:** 1 year

STUDY PATHWAYS:
- **International Access to Business**
  You will study Business plus two of the following subjects: Law, Mathematics, Computing or Tourism Management.
- **International Access to Social Science**
  You will study Sociology and Psychology plus one of the following subjects: Law, History or Counselling.
- **International Access to Humanities**
  You will study History and English plus one of the following subjects: Law, Psychology, Sociology or Counselling.
- **International Access to Policing and Criminal Justice Studies**
  You will study Law, Criminology and Psychology.
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A-LEVELS

A-levels are the traditional route to UK universities. Students choose three subjects to study.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
You will need to be 16 years old and have studied to an appropriate level. You will also need an IELTS score of 5.5 or equivalent.

START DATE:
September.

LENGTH OF COURSE:
2 years.

Please check the website for the most up to date information on subjects being offered.

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE:
- Business
- English Language
- English Literature
- Film Studies
- History
- Law
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Statistics

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ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

General English: We offer courses from September through to June. You can attend for 2 weeks or a whole academic year (34 weeks). You will study English for 20 hours a week. We have modern facilities and experienced, friendly staff.

Group Bookings: We offer English courses for small groups in IELTS preparation, business English, general English and Summer School. Let us know your requirements and we will design a course to suit your needs.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
You will need to be 16 years old.

START DATE:
Start dates are flexible.

“...are brilliant and really supportive.”
- Jasper Stein

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VOCATIONAL DIPLOMA

Boston College offers a range of subject specialist courses which can be taken over one or two years, leading to a diploma qualification. These courses can lead to university or employment.

Below are a selection of subjects you can study:

- Art and Design
- Business
- Computing
- Creative Media
- Graphic Design
- Media
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Photography
- Science
- Sport
- Travel and Tourism

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
You will need to be 16 years old and have studied to an appropriate level. You will also need an IELTS score of 5.5 or equivalent.

START DATE:
September.

LENGTH OF COURSE:
1 or 2 years, depending on the course chosen.

Please check the website for the most up to date information on subjects being offered.

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HIGHER EDUCATION

Boston College offers two-year university level courses leading to an internationally recognised qualification – the Higher National Diploma (HND). Higher Education courses are taught by tutors who have extensive academic and practical experience in our dedicated University Centre at the Rochford Campus. Small class sizes enable tutors to provide students with excellent academic support.

HND courses offered:
- Accounting (AAT)
- Business
- Computing
- Health and Social Care
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Sport
- Travel and Tourism

Alternatively, you can take these courses over 1 year, leading to a Higher National Certificate (HNC).

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
You will need to be 18 years old or over and have studied to an appropriate level. You will also need an IELTS score of 6.0 or equivalent.

START DATE:
September.

LENGTH OF COURSE:
1 or 2 years, depending on course chosen.

FEES:
Our course fees are competitively priced compared with UK universities. Please visit the International page on our website for course fees.

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- Tiffany Tong
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SHORT COURSE
Vocational, Academic and Cultural Experience

A popular 20 week programme V.A.C.E gives you the opportunity to study a choice of academic and vocational subjects as well as a range of trips, excursions and sporting activities. This course can also be offered over 4, 8 or 12 weeks.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:
You need to be 16 or over and have an Intermediate level of English.

CLASSES:
3 subjects, 6 hours of English each week and a 1 hour tutorial.

SUBJECT TASTERS:
Academic – Biology, Business, Counselling, Criminology, English Literature, Film Studies, History, Law, Mathematics, Media Studies, Physics, Psychology, Sociology, Statistics.

Vocational – Art, Beauty Therapy, Computing, Hairdressing, Photography, Science, Sport, Travel and Tourism.

INCLUDED:
Free collection and return to the airport, trips to towns/cities, activities, sport.

ACCOMMODATION:
Single study bedroom in the Hall of Residence with shared kitchen and bathroom facilities, use of Common Room, free WiFi, cleaning, meals from Monday to Friday during term times.

HOW TO APPLY

CHOOSE YOUR COURSE
Have a good look through all the course areas that interest you, then visit the website to read the full course information to help you decide what’s right for you.

SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FORM
Once you have found the right course for you, simply submit an application form.

Apply online at www.boston.ac.uk/international

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