



Montserrat
COLLEGE OF ART

3 CREATIVE
WEEKS IN JULY

SUMMER
PRE-COLLEGE
PROGRAM

BEVERLY, MA | METRO BOSTON

READY TO
EXPERIENCE
**ART SCHOOL
LIFE?**



*Earn
college credit
while
building your
portfolio
this summer!*



Montserrat College of Art offers a three-week residential Pre-College Program for high school students. Spend July just three blocks from the ocean while immersing yourself in a creative environment with other young artists from across the country.





LAUNCH YOUR PORTFOLIO



Our Pre-College Program mirrors the personalized scale of the Montserrat undergraduate experience, prioritizing small class sizes and one-on-one mentorship from a faculty of professional artists. The program is designed for high school students entering their junior or senior year who are passionate about art making and ready to experience a taste of art school life.



Students who successfully complete the program emerge with an enhanced portfolio for art college applications and a summer's worth of priceless memories!

FOUNDATION+ FUNDAMENTALS

Our Pre-College curriculum balances foundational skill development with fun and creative media exploration. Students will choose from two course tracks for their morning Foundations course.

FOUNDATION COURSE TRACKS:

- Fundamentals of Drawing *OR*
- Digital and Interactive Media

Fundamentals of Drawing focuses on observational drawing, a key component of an artist's portfolio. Students will use various media to explore the formal elements of line, shape, value, and color. Throughout the course, students will engage with compositional issues, historic and contemporary references, and participate in class critiques.

Digital and Interactive Media focuses on 2D, 3D, and 4D design and is tailored for tech-savvy students interested in graphic design and animation. Through a series of projects, students learn programming basics, experiment with 3D scanning and modeling, and develop moving images, resulting in a body of screen-based, analog, and interactive work. Working with a variety of processes and software, students gain experience with the technical, conceptual, and practical elements of computer-based media.

Afternoons will be spent in two alternating elective courses (turn the page to find out more)!



DISCOVER

THROUGH ELECTIVES

In addition to a morning Foundation course, you will have the freedom to explore new mediums through **two elective courses which rotate every other afternoon**. Elective courses encourage creative problem solving while strengthening technical and conceptual skills. All elective options are open to everyone, regardless of your Foundation course, so we encourage you to mix it up! Put down the paintbrush and pick up the tablet, or rest your eyes on a canvas instead of a computer screen.

EXPAND. EXPERIMENT.



CHOOSE ANY TWO ELECTIVE COURSES:

- Animation
- Digital Illustration
- Digital Photography
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Painting
- Printmaking
- 3D Design

GROW.



EXPLORE & EXPERIMENT

WEEKDAYS

- 9am–12pm: Foundation class
- 12pm–1pm: Break
- 1pm–4pm: Elective classes
- 4pm–10pm: Free time, open studios, and activities
- 10pm: Home for the night
- 12am: Lights out

WEEKENDS

Creative activities, museum trips, homework, sleep, and hopefully laundry!

A TYPICAL DAY = ATYPICAL

- Art making 24/7
- Free time to explore the art scene of the North Shore
- Creative conversations with new friends
- A picnic on the beach
- Visiting artist talks

ABSORB. REFLECT. SHARE.



LIFE AS AN ARTIST- IN-RESIDENCE



All student apartments have full kitchens, double or triple bedrooms, bathrooms, and common living spaces. From the classroom to your living room, you will be exposed to thought-provoking conversation, exploration, and creation.

Montserrat is unique in that there is no dining hall on campus. Students will gain independence cooking for themselves and going on weekly grocery runs with Campus Life.

METRO BOSTON

The small city of Beverly, Massachusetts is a coastal and historic hub just half an hour north of Boston. Montserrat's campus is woven into Beverly's quaint downtown Arts District, which is home to a variety of shops, theaters, cafés, restaurants, and galleries—all a short walk from the student apartments. Resident Assistants (RAs) reside in campus housing to assist students throughout the program and ensure a safe stay.



**BEST
OF ALL
WORLDS**



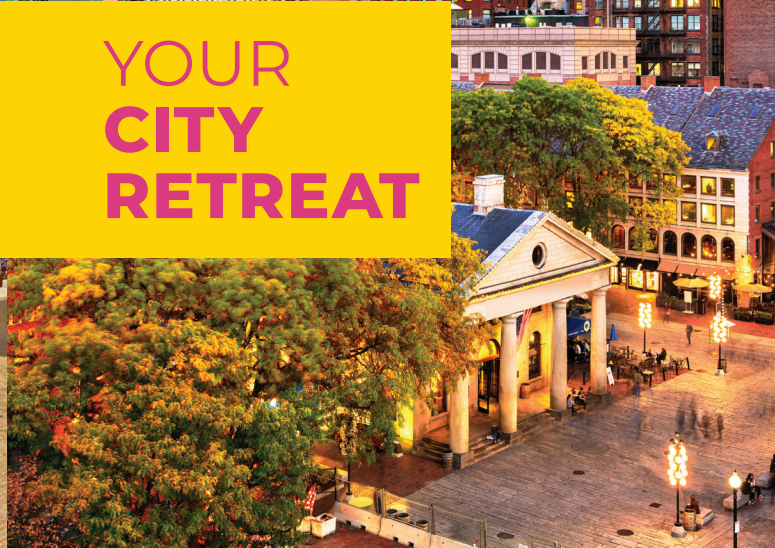
- ➔ 1 block to downtown Cabot Street
- ➔ 3 blocks to the Atlantic Ocean
- ➔ 5 train stops to Boston



YOUR SUMMER RETREAT

Students will find inspiration for their next masterpiece at the beach, a coffee shop downtown, or a museum or gallery visit. Pre-College students venture out of Beverly on two chaperoned weekend field trips to Salem and Boston where they will explore and immerse themselves in local art and culture.

YOUR CITY RETREAT



IT'S YOUR SUMMER

FOR DATES, DEADLINES,
AND COSTS, VISIT:
MONTSERRAT.EDU/PRE-COLLEGE



HOW TO APPLY

A completed Pre-College application includes:

- Application form
- \$40 application fee
- Letter of recommendation from an art teacher
- Artist statement (300–500 words describing why you want to attend Pre-College, what you hope to gain from your participation, and who or what influences your art)

Email application materials to:

admissions@montserrat.edu

Or mail to:

**Montserrat College of Art
Pre-College Program**

23 Essex Street, Beverly, MA, 01915

Partial scholarships are considered for applicants who additionally submit a portfolio of five to ten images and a copy of their parent's W2 form.



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