CLASS SITE: We're in the same building, but we've moved to a new office on the second floor. All scheduled Connecticut classes are held at our office unless stated otherwise on the class web page or flyers. Office address: 865 River Road, Suite 201, Shelton, Connecticut 06484

Homewood Suites, 6905 Main Street, Stratford Connecticut 06614
The Homewood Suites Hotel is in Stratford on upper Main Street very close to the Shelton town line and less than 1 mile drive from and on the same road as our office/class site. Main Street Stratford becomes River Road when you cross the town line into Shelton. Although our office is close to the hotel, the road is busy and there are no sidewalks. We have an arrangement with the Homewood Suites to provide a limited number of discounted rooms for our class attendees during scheduled class dates. For reservations, call the hotel directly at (203) 377-3322. Ask to speak to sales to request the PICC Resource discounted room rate. Book early, a limited number of rooms are available and during busy periods, discounted rooms may be sold out.

Hyatt House, 830 Bridgeport Avenue, Shelton, Connecticut 06484
The Hyatt House is 3 miles away from our office. The hotel offers a full breakfast, and other extra amenities very similar to what is offered at the Homewood Suites. The Hyatt House shares their campus with Longhorn Steakhouse and Chilis restaurants, and the hotel is very close to a wide variety of many other Shelton restaurants and local shopping.

Note: We are not affiliated with any of the hotels in this document. We feature the Homewood Suites in Stratford, CT and the Hyatt House in Shelton, CT in this file because the hotels are close by, they offer weekday shuttle service to our office building, and clients attending our programs have highly recommended the two hotels. Flyers for the Homewood Suites and the Hyatt House are included at the end of this file.

Train Information. If you come in by train, it is likely that you would come in to Connecticut by the Metro-North commuter train. Metro-North has connections from New York City to many points within Connecticut. Metro-North’s telephone number for fares and schedules is 800-638-7646. The customer service number is (212) 672-1290, and their website is: http://www.mta.info/mnr/ . If you are staying onsite at the Homewood Suites (or another hotel in the area); local cabs will meet you by appointment only. You will need to arrange in advance to be picked up by a taxi or private car service. The local train station is close; within 10 minutes or less from the hotel near Stratford center (4 miles away). A taxi service in the area is: Yellow Cab, telephone number (203) 334-6161.

Other Local Hotels: The AAA hotel information that follows within this document was obtained on the Connecticut Motor Club aka the AAA website. The prices quoted are AAA member prices from a few years ago. Prices as you know may change, and you may be able to negotiate for the same or lower price with the hotel when you call in to register. Often the hotels have the same or similar discount rates for government employees, or members of the entertainment club, or other motor clubs. The Hyatt House in Shelton is a new hotel in the area added to our list in 2013. that offers extra amenities such as a full breakfast similar to the Homewood Suites.

If you want to get more information on these hotels online go to the AAA CT Motor Club website page: https://northeast.aaa.com . Only if prompted: enter the zip code 06484 (for Shelton, Ct) and click on the "Travel" link on the page, and next the "Hotels" link. Follow the page instructions to choose check in and out dates, etc. to get results that include most of the hotels nearby.
Airports and Airport Shuttles or Limos. If you plan to come in by plane, the closest large airports are Bradley in Windsor Locks, Connecticut and La Guardia in New York. Bradley is about 1 hour away, and La Guardia is a busier airport and is about 1 to 2 hours away depending on New York City and highway traffic. There are three major shuttle services that connect directly to La Guardia and JFK airports. These three major airport shuttle/limo services are:

1) **Connecticut Limo**: this company is the only large company that services Bradley airport. However, if you choose to come in via Bradley Airport; note that this company does not stop at the local hotels. They do have a shuttle station in nearby Milford, CT from which you can take a taxi to the Homewood Suites or other local hotel. A Connecticut Limo shuttle from Bradley Airport at the time of this printing is $50.00 one way or $96.00 round trip. Taxi service would need to be arranged in advance with a taxi company. Taxi services recommended by the Homewood Suites hotel are listed in this flyer. Connecticut Limo’s telephone number is (800) 472-5466; their address in Bridgeport is 2135 State Street Ext., Bridgeport, CT; and their website is: [http://www.ctlimo.com](http://www.ctlimo.com) - the Milford terminal is located at Howard Johnson’s Hotel, address: 1052 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT 06460.

2) **Prime Time** (new name: Go Airport Shuttle) will provide a shuttle with drop off and pick up at the Homewood Suites hotel in Stratford, CT – and to most of the Shelton area hotels by request with a reservation made a few business days in advance from Laguardia and JFK airports, and some service from Bradley airport when booked in advanced for approximately $70.00 one way, or $136.00 round trip. Prime Time’s number is: (800) 377-8745 and their website is: [http://www.2theairport.com/shuttles/laguardia.html](http://www.2theairport.com/shuttles/laguardia.html)

3) **Red Dot** shuttle will also drop off and pick up at the Homewood Suites hotel in Stratford, CT, and at many of the Shelton, CT hotels with a reservation. Red Dot services Laguardia and JFK airports for about $66.00 to $69.00 one way. Red Dot’s number is (800) 673-3368, and their website is: [http://www.ridethedot.com](http://www.ridethedot.com).

Smaller airports nearby. Westchester airport in White Plains, New York (40 to 45 minute drive)- this airport is highly used by locals, for convenience, Tweed airport in New Haven, Connecticut (30 minutes drive), and Sikorsky airport in Stratford, Connecticut (10 minute drive). All of the large shuttle services previously listed in this flyer will provide private cars, SUVs, or vans to these smaller airports at varying price levels by request.

Homewood Suites recommends the following local car/shuttle services:

**Yannico, Inc.**, telephone number (203) 948-9467- ask for John. Yannico will provide door to door service from Bradley, Tweed, or Westchester airports, as well as the La Guardia, JFK and other airports. An example of pricing from Bradley airport is $120.00 one way for a town car that fits up to 7 people. If you are traveling as a group of 2 or more- the total cost of ($120.00) can be split by the total number of your group. Contact John for pricing details.

**All City Limo**, telephone number (877) 277-7670. This company will also provide door to door service from Bradley, Tweed, or Westchester airports, as well as the La Guardia, JFK and other airports. Contact the company for pricing.

**Area Restaurants, Shopping, Connecticut Casinos.** Google maps with directions, addresses to local shopping and restaurants in the area, and more are included within the last pages of this file.

Thank you for choosing us for your training needs. We hope you enjoy your visit!

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| **Courtyard by Marriott Shelton** |
| Facility: Smoke free premises, 161 units, 149 one-bedroom standard units, 12 one-bedroom suites. 7 stories, interior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |
| Property Rates: From $85.00 USD |

| **Hilton Garden Inn Shelton** |
| Facility: 142 units, 139 one-bedroom standard units, 3 one-bedroom suites with whirlpools. 6 stories, interior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |

| **Homestead Studio Suites Hotel Shelton-Fairfield County** |
| Facility: 140 one-bedroom standard units with efficiencies. 3 stories, interior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |
| Property Rates: From $99.74 USD |

| **Homewood Suites by Hilton** |
| Facility: 136 units, 52 one-bedroom standard units with efficiencies. 53 one- and 30 two-bedroom suites with efficiencies. 3 stories, interior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |
| Property Rates: From $98.10 USD |

| **Residence Inn by Marriott** |
| Facility: Smoke free premises, 96 units, 72 one- and 24 two-bedroom standard units with kitchens. 2 stories (no elevator), exterior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |
| Property Rates: From $103.00 USD |

| **Trumbull Marriott** |
| Facility: Smoke free premises, 323 units, 320 one-bedroom standard units, 3 one-bedroom suites. 6 stories, interior corridors. Bath: combo or shower only. |
| Property Rates: From $110.00 USD |
HYATT house Shelton
830 Bridgeport Avenue,
Shelton, Connecticut, USA06484
Tel: +1 203 225 0700
Maps & Directions

Hotel Overview
HYATT house™ Shelton is ideally located in Fairfield County, along Bridgeport Avenue’s active retail and restaurant corridor. The hotel is just west of New Haven and Yale University and only steps from Scento Towers. Shelton is home to many Fortune 500 companies such as PerkinElmer, Sikorsky, Prudential Financial Services and Hubbell, Inc. Easily accessible to I-95, Rt. 8 and the Merritt Parkway and close proximity to several major airports in Connecticut and New York, HYATT house® Shelton plays the perfect host to work or play, delivering an ideal balance to life when away. A Suite, Restful Retreat for the Long Haul Traveler. We get the balancing act required for taxing travel and that’s why we strive to inspire real life routine while treating you to unexpected touches of luxury. It’s this and our unrivaled service that set us apart in a hundred little ways to allow you to live your best life while on the road.

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All HYATT house™ hotels are smoke-free.

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Planning an extended stay? Skip the leases and security deposits of apartments and enjoy a stay with us that will make your life easier in our Studio Suites with fully equipped kitchen, full-sized refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, and stove or relax in our One Bedroom Suites with a full living room with a comfortable sofa, additional T.V. and comfortable bedroom. For more information regarding local restaurants and activities near our hotel please visit our Activities page.

During your stay, you will enjoy a complimentary hot breakfast, with made-to-order omelets prepared exactly to your liking. The indoor pool, whirlpool and fitness center will provide relaxation and a healthy lifestyle while away from home, and our knowledgeable Front Desk Hosts are available 24 hours a day to assist with your requests. In addition, the H BAR welcomes travelers 7 days a week from 5pm -10pm, offering our new Sip+Savor Menu, featuring home-cooked comforts including gourmet Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Chef-Crafted TV Dinners, delicious new apps like the Tomato Mozzarella Bread and more. A full bar is also available.

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Rooms & Amenities
Residentially Inspired Design
Luxé Beds and Linens
Contemporary Kitchens
Flat Panel TVs & Expanded Cable

Dining
24 Hour Business Center
Complimentary Wireless Internet
Complimentary Parking

Activities
Evening Bistro
Indoor Pool + Whirlpool

Nearby Sites
Yale University
Pitney Bowes

Meetings & Events
3 Flexible Event Venues
Our Hotel

Nestled on a hilltop with spectacular views of the Housatonic River, the Homewood Suites by Hilton® Stratford hotel in Stratford, Connecticut is the perfect accommodations option for business and leisure travelers alike. Bordering three major areas including Shelton, Milford and Bridgeport, the hotel provides convenient access to many of Stratford's and Connecticut's most exciting attractions, including:

- Short Beach
- Shelton Sports Center
- Bridgeport Arena and Stadium
- Beardsley Zoo
- Jones Family Farm
- Oronoque Country Club
- Great River Golf Club
- Foxwoods Casino
- Mohegan Sun Casino
- Mystic Aquarium
- Seaport
- New York City
- Long Island
- Maritime Aquarium
- Imax Theatre
- Yale University

Our central location also provides business traveling guests with convenient access to various businesses, corporations and corporate parks, such as:

- Sikorsky Aircraft
- Pitney Bowes
- General Electric
- Unilever
- Perkin Elmer
- Healthnet
- Prudential Financial
- Shelton Corporate Towers
- Wheelers Farm Corporate Park

Homewood Suites Stratford features three types of suites: studio, one and two-bedroom/two bath units with separate living and sleeping areas. In-room amenities and services include:

- Fully-equipped kitchen with a full-size refrigerator, microwave and coffee maker
- 25" TV's with HBO®
- DVD and MP3 players in all suites
- Two phones with data ports
- Storage closets
- Complimentary high-speed, wireless Internet access
- Complimentary USA Today® and local newspaper

Guests are also invited to indulge in a range of hotel-wide amenities and services, including:
• Indoor heated pool and whirlpool with a beautiful view of the Housatonic River
• Fitness center
• Complimentary business center/library
• Meeting room
• Guest laundry with washer and dryers
• 24/7 Suite Shop®
• Storage facilities
• Terrace with barbecue facilities

Additionally, guests can enjoy our complimentary Suite Start™ hot breakfast buffet seven days a week, and a Welcome Home® Reception Monday through Thursday.

Satisfy your food cravings with great dining options in the Stratford area - from Biagio's Osteria to the Outback Steakhouse. The Grille & Bar offers "casual gourmet", while Johnny's is the best kept secret for lip-smacking ribs and sweet potato fries. There's something for everyone near and far or special delivery for those who just want to kick back and relax!

The staff at the Homewood Suites Stratford hotel is dedicated, friendly and anxious to greet each guest with a warm welcome and outstanding accommodations. Our location, coupled with complimentary WiFi, Suite Start™ Breakfast, Monday thru Thursday night Welcome Home® evening reception, and business center make for a great stay as well as best value voted by Zagat!

Make Yourself At Home!®

Book Your Next Stay at Homewood Suites by Hilton® Stratford

Amenities

Hilton HHonors Reward Category: 3
(25,000 points per night)

Guest Accommodations

Our spacious studio, one, and two-bedroom/two bath suites feature separate living and sleeping areas. Each has a fully-equipped kitchen with full-size refrigerator, microwave, 2-burner stove and dishwasher. You’ll find enough space for work, study or entertaining – plus all the comforts of home including 32” HD flat screen TV, complimentary high speed, wireless internet access, and two phones with voice mail. Enjoy a complimentary Suite Start® hot breakfast seven days a week and a Welcome Home Reception® featuring a complimentary salad bar, light meal and beverages Monday through Thursday evenings (local laws apply).

Features & Highlights

• Meeting room available for private gatherings and meetings
• Beardsley Zoo
• Plan your Bar Mitzvah & Bat Mitzvah Ceremonies at our Stratford Connecticut
• Our downtown Stratford CT Hotel has Gone Green: Read More
• New Furniture and Granite Countertops
• Homewood Suites Stratford has had a "suite" renovation! We're all brand new!
• New 32” HD Flat Screen TV's with Remote Control
• New Serta Suite Dreams Beds

Directions & Transportation

From I-95 and I-91 - Take Route 15 South-Merritt Parkway - take Exit 53 - hotel is directly across from exit.

From Route 15 North - Take Exit 53 - left at end of exit - go straight under highway overpass - hotel is on left after entrance to highway. Stay to left of driveway.

From Route 8 or Route 25 - Take Route 15 North and follow above.
Cross Streets - Oronoque Lane and Main Street-Route 110.

### Hotel Policies

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A. Biagios Osteria
   88 Ryders Landing, Stratford, CT - (203) 375-9071 - 0.3 mi S
   58 reviews

B. Panda House Chinese Restaurant
   88 Ryders Ln, Stratford, CT - (203) 378-4107 - 0.3 mi S
   2 reviews

C. Stella's Pizzeria Restaurant
   7365 Main St, Stratford, CT - (203) 377-3505 - 0.4 mi N
   2 reviews

D. Oronoque Country Club Restaurant
   385 Oronoque Ln, Stratford, CT - (203) 377-1452 - 0.6 mi W
   2 reviews

E. Quiznos
   88 Ryders Ln # 14, Stratford, CT - (203) 375-7827 - 0.3 mi S

F. Grille & Bar Restaurant
   7365 Main St # 17, Stratford, CT - (203) 380-2001 - 0.4 mi N

G. Main Hing Chinese Restaurant
   7356 Main St, Stratford, CT - (203) 375-1111 - 0.4 mi N

H. Main Street Deli
   7365 Main St # 8, Stratford, CT - (203) 378-3249 - 0.4 mi N

I. Casa Nova Restaurant & Pizza
   833 River Rd, Shelton, CT - (203) 929-9800 - 1.0 mi N
   2 reviews

J. Pine Rock Grocery
   845 River Rd, Shelton, CT - (203) 929-0687 - 0.9 mi N
A. Bertucci's Brick Oven Restaurant
768 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 926-6058
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ 46 reviews

B. Il Palio Restaurant
5 Corporate Dr, Shelton, CT - (203) 944-0770
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ 17 reviews

C. Plaza Diner Restaurant
737 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 925-5910
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ 9 reviews

D. Outback Steakhouse
698 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 926-3900
29 reviews

E. Ruby Tuesday
811 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 944-0812
4 reviews

F. Giove's Pizza Kitchen
494 Bridgeport Ave # 102, Shelton, CT - (203) 225-6000
1 review

G. Metro Grille & Bar
882 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 929-1000
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ 6 reviews

H. Duchess Restaurant
883 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 926-1660
3 reviews

I. Happy Family Chinese Restaurant
872 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 929-5231
1 review

J. Kobi's Japanese Steak House
514 Bridgeport Ave, Shelton, CT - (203) 929-8666
8 reviews
Directions to Hawley Lane Shoes
862 Bridgeport Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484 - (203) 712-1300
3.0 mi – about 7 mins
From Homewood Suites to Hawley Lane Shoes and Shelton Square Shopping Center. There are multiple stores and restaurants on Bridgeport Avenue including: TJ Maxx, Gamestop, Walmart, Walgreens, and supermarkets. Restaurants: Biagios, V’s Ristorante, Chilis, Long Horn, Outback Steakhouse, Ruby Tuesday, Pancheros, 2 Hibachi restaurants, Roly Poly, Coldstone Creameray, Fastfood: Duchess, Burger King, and more.
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Directions to Westfield Shoppingtown
Connecticut Post
1201 Boston Post Rd, Milford, CT 06460-2703 - (203) 878-6837
5.0 mi – about 7 mins
Just across the River and a couple of exits off the highway from Homewood Suites, Stratford, CT. The mall is large and the area in Milford up to Orange, CT on Route 1 is a major shopping, and restaurant district for this area. Too many stores to list.
1. Head **south** on Main St toward Ryders Ln
   go 0.3 mi
total 0.3 mi

2. Merge onto CT-15 N via the ramp to New Haven
   About 1 min
go 1.1 mi
total 1.4 mi

3. Take exit 54 for Milford toward I-95/US-1/New London
   go 0.3 mi
total 1.7 mi

4. Merge onto Milford Pkwy
   About 2 mins
go 1.1 mi
total 2.7 mi

5. Merge onto I-95 N via the ramp to New Haven/New London
   About 2 mins
go 1.9 mi
total 4.6 mi

6. Take exit 39B to merge onto Boston Post Rd/US-1 N
   Destination will be on the right
   About 1 min
go 0.5 mi
total 5.0 mi

**Westfield Shoppingtown Connecticut Post**
1201 Boston Post Rd, Milford, CT 06460-2703 - (203) 878-6837

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Foxwoods' distinctive Rainmaker statue is the scene for regular shows throughout the day.

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North America's largest casino is right here in New England--in Mashantucket, Connecticut, to be exact.

The Mashantucket Pequot tribe's Foxwoods Resort Casino celebrates its 16th year in 2008, offering more of the gambling action that has made it a New England and a worldwide landmark.

But Foxwoods is more than just 7,000 slot machines, hundreds of table games, Keno, Bingo, poker and horseracing. The resort complex is home to three hotels 10, more than 25 dining 11 options, the 1,400-seat Fox Theatre, Club BB, a Hard Rock Cafe and the Mashantucket Pequot Museum 12, which is a five-minute shuttle ride away. And when the MGM Grand at Foxwoods 13 opens in May 2008, it will bring a new, upscale and exciting hospitality and entertainment experience to what is already North America's largest gaming destination. Plus, a Foxwoods getaway puts you in the heart of southeastern Connecticut, close to dozens of other nearby restaurants, attractions 14 and outdoor activities.

This guide is designed to provide all of the information you need to plan your Foxwoods casino day trip or extended vacation. Follow these links for help with directions to the casino, accommodations, entertainment schedules, nearby attractions and more: Getting There 15 | Casino Hotels 16 | Nearby Lodging 17 | Dining 18 | Entertainment 19 | Nearby Attractions 20 | The Games 21 | Fan Sites 22

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More from New England for Visitors

Looking for more New England travel information? Start with the New England for Visitors Home Page 24, where you'll find current features and links to the best of the Net for all of your travel planning needs.
Mohegan Sun casino in Uncasville, Connecticut, has for many years been a bit in the shadow of its nearby neighbor, Foxwoods, the largest casino in the world, which is just a short 15-20 minutes away. However, the completion in 2002 of a two-year, $1 billion expansion project known as "Project Sunburst" marked the opening of a whole new chapter in the competition between the Connecticut casinos.

Not only does the expansion bring Mohegan Sun's gambling square footage to just shy of that offered by Foxwoods, it also adds unique attractions that appeal to gamblers and non-gamblers alike, including the world's largest Planetarium Dome (pictured), a 10,000-seat arena, a 300-seat Cabaret and more than 40 new shops and restaurants, including celebrity chef owned or run eateries such as Michael Jordan's Steak House and Todd English's Tuscany.

The completion of Project Sunburst also means that Mohegan Sun finally has its own hotel. The 34-story, 1,200-room hotel is also complemented by the largest ballroom in the Northeast, state-of-the-art meeting space and a spa.

The Mohegan Sun's original "Casino of the Earth" reflects the four seasons, and as one wanders the circular layout of the casino, the carpet pattern changes from bright spring flowers to summer hues to orange and gold fall leaves to a winter walkway, and the leaves overhead change with the seasons, too! If you can't get to New England during peak fall foliage season, it's fall year round at the Mohegan Sun's autumn casino. In September of 2001, the casino added the similarly circular, 115,000-square-foot "Casino of the Sky," with the distinctive Planetarium Dome and onyx and glass Wombi Rock structure at its center, becoming one of the largest casinos in the world.

Whether or not you're a serious gambler, Mohegan Sun is an entertainment extravaganza that is more than just 6,000 slot machines, table games and horseracing. The resort complex is home to great dining options including irresistible buffets and gourmet eateries, the Wolf Den and other entertainment venues, unparalleled shopping and more. Plus, a Mohegan Sun getaway puts you in the heart of Connecticut, close to dozens of other nearby restaurants, outdoor activities and attractions, including Foxwoods if you're interested in "casino hopping."

Here's all the information you need to plan your Mohegan Sun casino day trip or extended vacation. Good luck and win big!