

Summer Mathematics Programs Consortium

2023 Conference: Social Gatherings

For informal hanging out, available every evening: The hotel has an 8th Floor Terrace Bar which is open every evening from 5pm to 10pm. (They'll stay open later if folks are still hanging out, so that's not a hard cutoff). It's an outdoor space, and the heat lamps will be on!

Here are the planned social gatherings throughout the weekend – we hope to see you there!

Thursday night: Welcome for Consortium members

6–9pm, Room 1101

Members, join us for a pizza social at BU. We'll walk over from the hotel at 5:45pm, and feel free to stop by at any time throughout the evening. To help us get to know each other, our name tags will have small prompts: "ask me about...". Reconnect with old friends and make new ones!

Friday night: Social Reception and Welcome for all conference participants

7–9pm, Room 1750

Everybody, join us for a welcome reception at BU with desserts, coffee + tea, and wine + beer. We'll start the mingling at 7pm, and then introduce an (optional, but fun!) structured icebreaker: sharing short stories in 2-3 person groups. We'll do two rounds of 10 minutes each, and the goal is to meet a couple new people and give each person the opportunity to introduce themselves. Here are the prompts (so you can think ahead about what you might want to share):

Share your story about an unusual / surprising / fun experience that you had...

-when you were a participant at a summer program?
- ... from an exciting way that you spent a summer as a teenager?
- ... during the admissions process for your summer program?
- ... during an eventful summer of your summer program?
- ... this week?

Saturday night: Games, Puzzles, and Coloring Polyhedra

7–8:30pm, Room 1750

Now that we know each other a little better, our plan for this evening is to continue socializing in a relaxed setting. There will be some board games, puzzles, and a coloring polyhedra station. Feel free to bring e.g. your knitting supplies for the quiet table!

8:30pm Excursion to the North End for dessert!