

# GOWANUS, BROOKLYN EXCURSION INFO SHEET

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## COST

Students are responsible for booking their own flight and lodgings. We do this to give students maximum choice and flexibility on how they travel. Students will be reimbursed up to a certain amount (to be determined) through a combination of the DAAD Promos Stipendium (only for German students) and the Studienbeitragsmittel (only for students enrolled at TU Braunschweig; Erasmus students not eligible). Please see the attached Cost Estimate for a breakdown.

## WHERE TO STAY

We recommend staying in small groups of 4-6 at hostels, or through rental websites such as Air B&B.

We have created an Air B&B "Wishlist" of possible places in good locations nearby:

<https://www.airbnb.com/wishlists/24786769>

Not walking distance, but also an option:

<http://www.aptpl.com/furnished.html>

These are some neighborhoods we recommend for you to stay:

- Downtown Brooklyn, Brooklyn
- Park Slope, Brooklyn
- Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn
- Fort Greene, Brooklyn
- Prospect Heights, Brooklyn
- Brooklyn Heights, Brooklyn

\*Please inform Yeon Wha Hong of your accommodation plans.

## NY METROCARD

Purchase a 7-day Metrocard upon arrival:

<http://web.mta.info/nyct/fare/FaresatAGlance.htm>

## VISA

All students are responsible for their own passports and visas, including any associated fees.

EU citizens may fill out ESTA prior to arrival:

[https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/WebHelp/ESTA\\_Screen-Level\\_Online\\_Help\\_1.htm#vwp3](https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/WebHelp/ESTA_Screen-Level_Online_Help_1.htm#vwp3)

Other nationals who require visas must procure the B-2 Tourism Visa in a timely fashion, by visiting a US Embassy or Consulate. It may take several weeks, and about \$160. See information here:

<http://travel.state.gov/content/visas/english/visit/visitor.html>

## TEMPORARY CELL PHONES

It may be useful to get a temporary US sim card for your phones during the excursion. Yeon Wha Hong will have a temporary US cellular phone and thus be reachable throughout the excursion. Such sim cards can be purchased here:

<http://www.readysim.com/>

Temporary phones are also available for purchase at storefronts in NYC.

