



Transportation from the airport to Marist

- **Marist provides free taxis for students if you follow these instructions.**
 - Two or more people should travel together to have free transportation.
 - You must provide an address near Marist where the taxi can take you.
You must have immediate access to that address when the taxi drops you off.
 - Each person must provide their flight itinerary and a destination for the cab.
 - Request your taxi ride at least one week before you arrive, preferably sooner.
- Taxis arranged by Marist are completely paid for by Marist, including tolls and tips. You do not have to pay the driver anything.
- Free taxis ARE NOT provided on major holidays:
Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, New Year's Day for the Spring semester.
- Taxis can cost \$400 for a private ride to the Marist area. Make arrangements early for a free ride.
- Fly to either **Newark Liberty Airport (EWR)** or **John F Kennedy International Airport (JFK)**
- **Arrive in Poughkeepsie at least one day before Orientation**
 - Orientation is Tuesday through Friday before classes start.
Find the academic calendar and course start dates at <https://www.marist.edu/academics/calendars>
- The first day you are allowed to enter the country is stated on your I-20.
- You will receive taxi confirmation by email or WhatsApp. Your driver will meet you at the airport as you exit Customs. The driver will be holding a sign with Marist's name.
- Seniors may offer to transport you and may charge you to cover their expenses.

Temporary housing for your first one or two nights.

- You need a place for the taxi to take you and your luggage when you first arrive to New York.
- If you have arranged rental housing, you still will need to meet the landlord to gain access. You will need a hotel or a friend's apartment to stay in when you first reach Poughkeepsie. Do not plan to go immediately to the rental.
- Most students go to Quality Inn Hotel when they first arrive, or they go to a current student's apartment.
- If you arrive in New York without securing housing, plan to stay in a hotel room for several nights, perhaps up to two weeks.
- Nearby hotels can be found on the web. Here are a few with lower rates for the area.
 - Quality Inn Hotel, +1-845-229-0088, 4142 Albany Post Rd, Hyde Park, NY 12538
<https://www.choicehotels.com/new-york/hyde-park/quality-inn-hotels/ny343>
 - Holiday Inn Express Poughkeepsie, over \$100 per night, +1-845-473-1151
<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/poughkeepsie/pouny/hoteldetail>
 - Rodeway Inn Poughkeepsie, over \$100 per night, +1-845-454-1011
<https://www.choicehotels.com/new-york/poughkeepsie/rodeway-inn-hotels/ny855>

You can also check www.airbnb.com and www.vrbo.com