## New England Conservatory



New England Conservatory was founded in Boston, Massachusetts in 1867. It is the basic founder of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, one of the best orchestras in the world (no.11, gramophone.co.uk) and more for myself, ranked no. 6 for best horn college (musicschoolcentral.com). It is also the founder of *From the Top*, an NPR radio show that lets young musicians from around the world show off their music abilities and has an interview session with the student(s) as well.

NEC is one of the top schools I'm applying too, and of the 6 I am trying for, this school has by far the best weather environment. It's relatively cold there all the time, and when it snows, it snows hard, which is great because I love snow. The school lies in

the heart of Boston, which is a very busy and booming place to live. The school is very old, and the structure and foundation is pretty original. I have a friend who lives in Boston and is planning on going to NEC, as well as a lessons teacher who has sent many students to that school that tell me that the school is very great musically, and the professors of horn there are outstanding, especially since the school is linked with the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

For an undergraduate degree, the tuition costs around 44,000 dollars. Standard room and board costs come up to around 14,000. Other fees rack up to around 2000-3000 dollars. We're talking around 60,000 dollars to go here, which is ludicrous. This school is private, and being in Boston, the school has a lot of money. That means the school gives out a lot of money for scholarships and such.

NEC does not a requirement on test scores, GPA, or any academic statistics. They definitely prefer a person with a good ACT score and/or good GPA, but they aren't very strict with their choosing of students in that area.

## Work Cited

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