Things to Do While Visiting Burlington, Vermont

See the Sights!

- If you’re staying for the weekend, visit the Burlington Farmer’s Market, which is held year round and can be found every Saturday in the summer on City Hall Plaza. Lots of local food and crafts!
- Explore Church Street Marketplace, the open air marketplace in the center of the city with lots of options for shopping and dining
- Visit the Shelburne Museum for art, history, and the natural beauty of Vermont. The Museum is home to an eclectic collection of folk art, impressionist paintings, circus collections, a covered bridge, a lighthouse, a steamboat and so much more! The museum is spread across several buildings so be ready to walk outside for much of the trip (car required or you can use the local bus system)!
- Explore Shelburne Farms, a working farm committed to sustainability and education. Visit the farm animals, take a walk in the woods, grab a snack at the farm store, on-site bakery (O Bakery), or cheesemaker. Beautiful views of the lake and home to the Shelburne Inn, which has a nice restaurant (car required).
- Visit the Ben and Jerry’s Factory (car required) in Waterbury, VT. Can’t make it to Waterbury? Grab some ice cream from the Ben and Jerry’s cone shop at the Church Street Marketplace.

Get Active!

- Take a walk or ride on the Bike Path, eight miles of paved path along Lake Champlain. Get a maple creemee (Vermont’s famous maple soft serve ice cream) first at Burlington Bay Market & Cafe. You can rent bikes at several locations in the city, including Outdoor Gear Exchange at the Church Street Marketplace.
- Rent a kayak, canoe, or paddleboard from the Community Sailing Center and enjoy some time out on Lake Champlain
- Check out one of our local parks

Drink Vermont Beer!
For those of you who are interested in the microbrew movement, Vermont is the place to be! Home to about 50 breweries, there are lots of wonderful beers to try across the state, several of which are right here in Burlington.
Some of our favorites include: Zero Gravity, Switchback, and Citizen Cider (they make cider, not beer, but the cider is delicious and they have a good beer list featuring local brews). For a larger list of local spots, click here and check out the Vermont Brewers Association for a complete list and to learn about their passport program.

Eat Good Food!
Click here for a map of some local restaurants. Stay tuned for a list of restaurants sorted by distance from the Hilton Garden Inn

Looking for more ideas or thinking about extending your trip?
Reach out to Allison (allison.searson@uvm.edu) or Hannah (hannah.burnett@uvm.edu) your UVM hosts and resident Vermont enthusiasts!