

**IT'S NOT JUST
WHAT YOU LEARN,
BUT WHERE
YOU LEARN IT.**

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There's the college experience
and then there's the BU experience.

THINK YOU'RE UP FOR IT?

You have to admit, there's a big difference between sitting on your hands and raising them. It's the difference between being a passive listener or an active participant. At BU, we love active participants.

And students love the idea of being pushed and challenged every day by Guggenheim fellows, a MacArthur fellow, or Fulbright scholars at a university ranked 40th in the country.*

After reading through this handout, we hope you'll arrange to come visit. And see for yourself what it's really like to be part of a world-class university.

* *U.S. News & World Report*, Best National Universities



Got plans after graduation?

Top employers and recruiters named BU grads among the most employable: #18 in the United States.

U.S. News & World Report ranks all of BU's health sciences programs in the top 25 in the nation: #1 Occupational Therapy, #20 Physical Therapy, #10 Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences.




We've already told you that BU is known for academic excellence, but did you know that we're a member of the Association of American Universities (AAU)? BU is one of three universities in Boston and Cambridge invited to join the prestigious group of leading North American research universities.

BY THE NUMBERS.

 **10**
UNDERGRADUATE
SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

 **96%**
OF GRADUATES
FIND EMPLOYMENT
OR PLACEMENT IN
GRADUATE PROGRAMS
WITHIN 6 MONTHS

 **10:1**
STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

27 { 
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

300+
MAJORS AND
MINORS 

 **16,489**
UNDERGRADUATES
(fall 2019)

 **4 YEARS**
OF GUARANTEED
HOUSING

STUDENTS COME FROM
100+ COUNTRIES
+ all **50 STATES**

21 RANKED #21 AMONG
BEST US UNIVERSITIES
FOR EXCELLENCE, EQUITY,
AND EMPLOYABILITY BY
QS WORLD UNIVERSITY
RANKINGS

 **100%**

DEMONSTRATED FINANCIAL NEED MET FOR
ADMITTED FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

4,000 INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
WORLDWIDE

180+ COUNTRIES WHERE YOU
CAN FIND BU ALUMNI

1,681
LABORATORIES



\$1 MILLION IN ANNUAL FUNDING
FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH



ACADEMICS

You work hard.
Your classmates
work hard.
It's inspiring.

There's an energy to BU. It's undeniable. Everyone's doing something: studying, researching, training, aspiring.

- With over 300 programs of study, BU combines a strong liberal arts foundation with preprofessional studies for undergraduates.
- The BU Hub, our innovative University-wide general education program, will prepare you for today's interconnected, global, and fast-paced world. You'll gain the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind needed to thrive in your personal, professional, and civic life.
- With \$1 million in funding for our Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP), undergraduates assist faculty with research on everything from Parkinson's disease to the history of the German Jewish Bible.
- Bright, driven, inquisitive—that's the "typical" BU student. Like the College of Fine Arts student who interned in the art department at Hearst Corporation's International Division. And the College of Engineering student who's researching tissue engineering.
- The Center for Career Development staff work with you from day one to explore educational and career options and prepare you to reach your postgraduation goals.

GLOBAL

The GPS says
we're in Boston,
but really,
we're all over
the world.

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

BU is ranked #51 globally by *U.S. News & World Report*, but it's not just rankings like this that establish BU as a global research university. It's having:

- Classmates from over 100 countries
- 650 global courses to choose from
- 4,000 internship opportunities worldwide
- Alumni in 180+ of the world's 196 countries
- Research opportunities on every continent
- The Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies
- Global House, a unique living-learning community

STUDY ABROAD

BU offers one of the premier study abroad programs in the country. With 80+ study abroad programs to explore, you could:

- Immerse yourself in Chinese language and culture in the heart of Shanghai.
- Prepare for a career in finance through the London Internship Program.
- Explore travel writing or gain international teaching experience in Sydney.



STUDENT LIFE

What's it like
around here when
you're not studying?
Never boring, that's
for sure.

- **A place for common ground**—the Howard Thurman Center embraces Dr. Thurman's philosophy of self-exploration and community building through meaningful and shared experiences.
- **A residential campus community**—with four years of guaranteed housing in everything from specialty residences to historic brownstones.
- **Vast leadership opportunities**—from student government to the Community Service Center to the First-Year Student Outreach Project (FYSOP).
- **Pick a sport, any sport**—24 NCAA Division I varsity sports, and more than 40 club and intramural sports like rugby or broomball.
- **The ultimate health club**—FitRec has an indoor rock climbing wall, seven multipurpose courts, two pools, an elevated indoor track...sweating yet?
- **No reservations required**—at any of our residential dining halls, restaurants, and late-night options. Kosher, vegan, and gluten-free dining, there's something for everyone.
- **In the heart of Boston**—a short walk or T ride will take you to Fenway Park, historic landmarks, Chinatown, the world-class Museum of Fine Arts, and other popular destinations.
- **Innovation with an impact**—Innovate@BU gives students opportunities to learn innovation and entrepreneurial skills and helps transform your ideas into meaningful action.

affordableBU.

FINANCIAL AID THAT MEETS YOUR FULL NEED. 100%.

BU will meet **100% of your demonstrated need**. Because we firmly believe that everyone admitted to BU deserves the opportunity to attend BU, regardless of your family's means. Toward that goal, we're offering financial aid packages that will make up the difference between the cost of attendance and what you can afford. How much is that? It varies from family to family.

Your family's contribution is based on your FAFSA and CSS Profile™. Once it's determined what your family can be expected to contribute, we'll subtract that from the full cost of attendance. The difference—your demonstrated need—will be made up by financial aid.

With **affordableBU**, you really can afford an education that will prepare you not just to succeed, but to thrive.

SCHOLARSHIPS

BU offers a variety of merit-based scholarships—including the prestigious Trustee Scholarship and Presidential Scholarship for academic excellence and leadership. Learn more about scholarships and scholarship deadlines at bu.edu/finaid/meritschol.

Who is eligible for **affordableBU**?



US citizens
and permanent
residents



First-year students
entering college
in Fall 2021 or
Spring 2022



Students who
submit the FAFSA
& CSS Profile by
the deadline

Learn more at bu.edu/affordableBU.

COST OF ATTENDANCE.

BILLED EXPENSES FOR THE 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR*

Tuition	\$56,854
Room and meal plan <i>(depending on type of accommodation)</i>	\$16,640
Fees	\$1,218
TOTAL ESTIMATED BILLED EXPENSES	\$74,712



Other expenses (estimated)

Books and supplies	\$1,000
Personal expenses	\$1,320
Local transportation	\$630
Total other expenses	\$2,950

TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE	\$77,662
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**Tuition and fees are subject to change by action of the Board of Trustees.*

FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES.

EARLY DECISION & EARLY DECISION 2

November 1: CSS Profile™ and Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for Early Decision

January 1: CSS Profile and FAFSA for Early Decision 2

REGULAR DECISION

January 1: CSS Profile and FAFSA



More details at go.bu.edu/apply



COME VISIT



Most students
who visit here
want to enroll
here. We're just
saying...

Everything you need to know about
visiting campus can be found at:



go.bu.edu/visit
or take our virtual tour at
boston.university-tour.com



WHY WAIT? APPLY EARLY DECISION

Many students who learn about BU know that this is the place they want to spend the next four years. If that's you (and we hope it is!), we encourage you to apply Early Decision.
go.bu.edu/early-decision

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Deadline for Early Decision Applicants: **November 1**
- Deadline for Accelerated Medical Program: **November 15**
- Deadline for Trustee and Presidential Scholarships: **December 1**
- Deadline for Regular Decision and Early Decision 2 Applicants: **January 1**

Information about applying, requirements, and necessary forms is available at go.bu.edu/apply. For general admission questions, please contact us at 617-353-2300 or admissions@bu.edu.

 **FACEBOOK** /buadmissions

 **TWITTER** @applytobu

 **INSTAGRAM** @applytobu

 **YOUTUBE** /BUAdmissions

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Accounting (Questrom)	Composition & Theory (CFA)	Italian Studies (CAS)	Philosophy & Political Science (CAS)
Acting (CFA)	Computer Engineering (ENG)	Japanese & Linguistics (CAS)	Philosophy & Psychology (CAS)
Advertising (COM)	Computer Science (CAS)	Japanese Language & Literature (CAS)	Philosophy & Religion (CAS)
American Studies (CAS)	Costume Design (CFA)	Journalism (COM)	Photojournalism (COM)
Ancient Greek (CAS)	Deaf Education (Wheelock)	Latin (CAS)	Physical Therapy (Sargent)
Ancient Greek & Latin (CAS)	Earth & Environmental Sciences (CAS)	Latin American Studies (Pardee)	Physics (CAS)
Anthropology (CAS)	Economics (CAS)	Law (Questrom)	Political Science (CAS)
Anthropology & Religion (CAS)	Economics & Mathematics (CAS)	Lighting Design (CFA)	Pre-dentistry
Archaeology (CAS)	Educational Design for Transformative Futures (Wheelock)	Linguistics (CAS)	Prelaw
Architectural Studies (CAS)	Electrical Engineering (ENG)	Linguistics & African Languages (CAS)	Pre-medicine
Art (CFA)	English (CAS)	Linguistics & Computer Science (CAS)	Pre-veterinary Medicine
Art Education (CFA)	Environmental Analysis & Policy (CAS)	Linguistics & Philosophy (CAS)	Printmaking (CFA)
Asian Studies (Pardee)	European Studies (Pardee)	Linguistics and Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences (CAS or Sargent)	Psychology (CAS)
Astronomy (CAS)	Event Management (SHA)	Magazine Journalism (COM)	Public Relations (COM)
Astronomy & Physics (CAS)	Film & Television (COM)	Marine Science (CAS)	Real Estate Management (Questrom)
Behavior & Health (Sargent)	Finance (Questrom)	Marketing (Questrom)	Religion (CAS)
Biochemistry & Molecular Biology (CAS)	French & Linguistics (CAS)	Mathematics (includes Statistics) (CAS)	Retailing (Questrom)
Biology (CAS)	French Studies (CAS)	Mathematics & Computer Science (CAS)	Russian Language & Literature (CAS)
Biology with specialization in Behavioral Biology (CAS)	Geophysics & Planetary Sciences (CAS)	Mathematics & Mathematics Education (CAS)	Scenery Design (CFA)
Biology with specialization in Cell Biology, Molecular Biology & Genetics (CAS)	German Language & Literature (CAS)	Mathematics & Philosophy (CAS)	Sculpture (CFA)
Biology with specialization in Ecology & Conservation Biology (CAS)	Global Business (Questrom)	Mechanical Engineering (ENG)	Sociology (CAS)
Biology with specialization in Neurobiology (CAS)	Graphic Design (CFA)	Mechanical Engineering (aerospace concentration) (ENG)	Sound Design (CFA)
Biomedical Engineering (ENG)	Health & Life Sciences Management (Questrom)	Media Science (COM)	Spanish (CAS)
Broadcast Journalism (COM)	Health Science (Sargent)	Middle East & North Africa Studies (Pardee)	Spanish & Linguistics (CAS)
Business Administration (Questrom)	History (CAS)	Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages & Literatures (CAS)	Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences (Sargent)
Business Analytics (Questrom)	History of Art & Architecture (CAS)	Music Education (CFA)	Stage Management (CFA)
CAS Seven-Year Liberal Arts/Medical Education Program	Hospitality Administration (SHA)	Music—Nonperformance (CFA)	Statistics & Computer Science (CAS)
Chemistry (CAS)	Hospitality & Communication (SHA)	Music—Performance (CFA)	Strategy (Questrom)
Chemistry: Biochemistry (CAS)	Hospitality Event Management (SHA)	Musicology (CFA)	Teaching & Learning (Wheelock)
Chemistry: Teaching (CAS)	Hospitality Marketing (SHA)	Neuroscience (CAS)	Theatre Arts/Performance (CFA)
Chinese Language & Literature (CAS)	Hospitality Real Estate Development (SHA)	News-Editorial Journalism (COM)	Theatre Production—Costume (CFA)
Cinema & Media Studies (CAS)	Hospitality Revenue Management & Analytics (SHA)	Nutrition (Sargent)	Theatre Production—Technical (CFA)
Classical Civilization (CAS)	Human Physiology (Sargent)	Operations & Technology Management (Questrom)	Undeclared
Classics & Archaeology (CAS)	Independent (CAS)	Organizational Behavior (Questrom)	Youth Justice & Mental Health (Wheelock)
Classics & Philosophy (CAS)	Independent Concentration (Questrom)	Painting (CFA)	
Classics & Religion (CAS)	Information Systems (Questrom)	Philosophy (CAS)	
Comparative Literature (CAS)	Innovation & Entrepreneurship (Questrom)	Philosophy & Physics (CAS)	
	International Relations (Pardee)		
	Italian & Linguistics (CAS)		

CAS	College of Arts & Sciences
CFA	College of Fine Arts
CGS	College of General Studies
COM	College of Communication

ENG	College of Engineering
Pardee	Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies
Questrom	Questrom School of Business

Sargent	College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College
SHA	School of Hospitality Administration
Wheelock	Wheelock College of Education & Human Development