

Boston University Admissions

233 Bay State Road
Boston, Massachusetts 02215



Visiting Student Program Application

Information for Visiting Students

Each year, Boston University admits a limited number of visiting students who wish to spend one semester or one academic year at the **College of Arts & Sciences (CAS)** or **Questrom School of Business**. Visiting students are admitted to the University with approval from BU Admissions. Though entering the University as non-matriculating students, visiting students may live in BU residences (if accommodations are available) and take advantage of a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities. Visiting students are expected to enroll in four courses each semester.

We welcome applications from students with strong academic records who are enrolled at other regionally accredited colleges or universities. Students holding a bachelor's degree received within the last three years are also welcome to apply. These applicants will be admitted based on the availability of courses, and priority will be given to those applicants whose proposed coursework demonstrates a defined scholastic or professional objective.

If your first language or the primary language spoken in your home is not English, you must take either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS). However, an applicant may request an English proficiency waiver. Waiver requests must be received by the application deadline and must accompany a complete application. The decision to waive the English proficiency requirement is at the discretion of the Board of Admissions. To submit a waiver request please email intadmis@bu.edu.

Applications for the Visiting Student Program received by BU Admissions by **March 1** for the fall semester, and by **November 1** for the spring semester, will be given priority consideration.

Costs for tuition, fees, room, and board are the same for visiting students as they are for full-time matriculated students at Boston University. The University is **unable to offer financial assistance** to visiting students. International students who need a student visa must submit a certified bank letter or credit reference from their sponsor's bank along with a letter of support from their sponsor. Though no early commitments for residence accommodations can be made for visiting students, those students who wish to live in University housing should indicate their intent on the application form.

While acceptance to the Visiting Student Program does not guarantee admission to specific courses, applicants should note on the application the courses or areas of study they wish to pursue while at Boston University.

Visiting students will meet with a University advisor to discuss course selection, review specific course prerequisites, and receive the required approval to register for classes. With the advisor's approval, visiting students may cross-register for one course per semester offered by another school or college of the University. All visiting students are expected to **maintain a 2.00 minimum grade point average while at Boston University**.

Attendance at either the College of Arts & Sciences or the Questrom School of Business as a visiting student does not in any way imply or guarantee admission as a matriculated student in a degree program at a later date. Visiting students who apply for transfer admission to Boston University will be considered competitively with other transfer applicants at the time of application.

Applicants who wish to register for fewer than four courses should contact Boston University's Metropolitan College. For further information, please go to bu.edu/met or call 617-353-3000.

Checklist for Visiting Student Applications

- Official university transcript from each university attended
- A completed Visiting Student Status Report (the last page of this application) for each university attended
- One Letter of Recommendation from a university instructor
- Official score report for the TOEFL or IELTS exam (if applicable)
- International students who need a student visa should request a certified bank letter or credit reference from their sponsor's bank, along with a letter of support from the sponsor.
- A completed Visiting Student application with a nonrefundable application fee of \$80

Please submit the completed application and required supporting documents to:

Boston University Admissions
Attention: Visiting Student Coordinator
233 Bay State Road
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

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This completed application form must be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee of \$80. **Please make your check or money order payable to Boston University.**

Application for entry in: September _____ January _____ 20

Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____
Last First Middle initial

Date of birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Email address: _____ @ _____
Month Day Year

Home address: _____ Phone: _____ / _____
Number and Street

City State Zip/Postal Code

Province Country

Mailing address (if different from permanent home address):

_____ Phone: _____ / _____
Number and Street

City State Zip/Postal Code

Province Country

Dates your mailing address is valid: from _____ until _____

Are you a United States citizen? Yes _____ No _____

If not, do you currently hold a United States Permanent Resident or Immigrant visa ("Green Card")?

Yes _____ No _____ Pending _____

If you checked Pending "Green Card," on what date do you expect to receive it? _____

If you are not a citizen or "Green Card" holder, please complete the following:

City and country of birth _____ Country of citizenship _____

What type of visa do you hold? _____ *If you hold an F-1 (Student) Visa, you must attach a copy of your current I-20 form.

Students on visas must provide a foreign address on the lines below:

If you were born outside the United States, how many years you have resided in the United States? _____

Is English your first language? Yes _____ No _____ If not, what is? _____

Is English the primary language spoken at home? Yes _____ No _____ If not, what is? _____

If you have enrolled in Boston University's Center for English Language and Orientation Programs (CELOP), please indicate your CELOP I.D. number _____

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College of Application

Have you ever applied to Boston University before? Yes ___ No _____

To which school/college are you applying? CAS ___ Questrom ___

Do you expect to remain at Boston University for a second semester? Yes ___ No ___

Do you plan to apply to live in University housing? (Housing is on a space-available basis.) Yes ___ No ___

In which courses do you wish to enroll at Boston University? Please indicate course numbers as listed on the BU Academics website at bu.edu/academics. (Please remember that admission to the Visiting Student Program does not guarantee enrollment in the courses that you select. If you are admitted to the program, an advisor will review your course selection and work with you on your enrollment in courses that are available to you.)

Course: _____ Alternative: _____

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High School/College Information

Please list the Secondary School/High School and date that you received your diploma, and also a list of current/previous university(ies) and dates of attendance:

Secondary School (High School): _____ Date of Graduation: _____

University: _____ Dates of Attendance: _____

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Disciplinary History

Have you ever been expelled, suspended, dismissed, or had any disciplinary action taken against you by an educational institution? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please explain. _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor within the last 5 years? Yes ___ No ___
(Under Massachusetts law, you may exclude from your answer any first convictions for the misdemeanors of drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray, or disturbance of the peace.)

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Please explain briefly, but fully, your reasons for wishing to participate in the Visiting Student Program at Boston University:

Current Dean Approval:

If you are currently enrolled as an undergraduate, you must obtain approval from your current University's Dean of Students before submitting this application.

Signed Approval

Title

Date

Applicant Signature:

I have read the information concerning the Visiting Student Program and understand that, as a visiting student, I am not eligible for financial aid through Boston University. I certify that all information submitted in the Visiting Student Program admissions process, including all information in this application and any supplemental materials, is my own work, factually true, and honestly presented, and that all submitted documents will become the property of the institution to which I am applying. I understand that I may be subject to admission revocation and revocation of course credit should the information I have certified be false.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Boston University's policies provide for equal opportunity and affirmative action in employment and admission to all programs of the University.

VISITING STUDENT STATUS REPORT FORM FOR THE BU VISITING STUDENT PROGRAM



This form must be completed by a dean/college official who has access to both your academic and disciplinary records. If your dean/college official does not have access to both your academic and disciplinary records, you may need to have this form signed by two separate officials. A Visiting Student Status Report must be completed for every institution you have attended to date.

Applicant's Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Section 1: Academic History

College Official's Information:

The College Official will need to have access to the applicant's academic record. If you also have access to the applicant's disciplinary history, you can write "SAME" across Section 2.

College Official's Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

College or University Address _____

College Official's Telephone (_____) _____ Fax (_____) _____

College Official's Email: _____

Questions regarding applicant's academic history:

- 1) Are you authorized by your institution to release information regarding student's academic records? Yes ____ No ____
- 2) Is this applicant in good academic standing? Yes ____ No ____
- 3) Is this applicant eligible to return to your school? Yes ____ No ____
- 4) Cumulative GPA: _____ on a _____ scale, covering a period from _____ to _____
(mm/yy) (mm/yy)

College Official's Signature _____

Date _____

Section 2: Disciplinary History

If a separate official will be completing this section, please provide the following information.

Disciplinary Official's Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

Disciplinary Official's Telephone (_____) _____ Fax (_____) _____

Disciplinary Official's email address _____@_____

Questions regarding applicant's disciplinary history:

- 1) Are you authorized by your institution to release information regarding student's discipline records? Yes ____ No ____
- 2) Has the applicant been subject to disciplinary action for conduct on or off campus? Yes ____ No ____
(If yes, please attach an explanation of the disciplinary action(s))

Disciplinary Official's Signature _____

Date _____