Dear Graduate Student,

We at Boston University’s Department of Economics are looking forward to meeting you at Orientation on Friday, January 16, 2015 at 10:00 am, SSW 315, 264 Bay State Road, Room 315. This is intended to provide you with information about registration procedures and other services offered by the University.

REGISTRATION
The registration process for new Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Economics students will begin during Orientation, Friday, January 16. *Incoming Economics graduate students cannot register before Orientation.* Classes begin on Tuesday, January 20. Detailed registration instructions and a Registration Form for the spring will be provided then. You will not receive this information through the mail. A complete academic calendar for the 2014-2015 Academic Year can be viewed at http://www.bu.edu/reg/dates/official-academic-calendar/official-academic-calendar-2014-2015/

Semester Dates:
Spring 2015:

http://www.bu.edu/reg/dates/semester-dates/

PAYMENT INFORMATION
Use the Student Link, www.bu.edu/studentlink, to view or print your student account and class schedule after you have registered during Orientation. A student enrolled in three to four-and-a-half courses (12-18 credits) will be considered full-time and will be charged full tuition and fees. You cannot pay your tuition and fees before you register.

Tuition and fees are posted on our Orientation website. Student Accounts, http://www.bu.edu/studentaccountingservices/
Student Accounting Services is located at 881 Commonwealth Avenue, lower level, Tel: 617-353-2264. Payment deadline for new graduate students in the Spring 2015 semester is February 2, 2015. Payments must be received by close of business (5 p.m. EDT) on the day of the deadline.

http://www.bu.edu/studentaccountingservices/your-bill/payment-deadlines/

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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY
All entering Boston University students have pre-matriculation health requirements that must be completed prior to your first term at Boston University. If you do not submit these forms prior to the first day of classes, you must submit them within the first two weeks of the semester. IMPORTANT! Failure to complete the required health requirements will result in
a registration hold on your Student Account. **An Immunization and Physical Form is required of all new students. Students must arrange to have this form completed by your physician before you register.** Information regarding this requirement is available at: [http://www.bu.edu/shs/resources/forms/crchealthform/](http://www.bu.edu/shs/resources/forms/crchealthform/)
If you need additional information, you may contact Student Health Services at [http://www.bu.edu/shs/contact/help/](http://www.bu.edu/shs/contact/help/) or telephone at 617-353-3575.

**MEDICAL INSURANCE**

*Medical insurance coverage extends from January 1, 2015 through August 22, 2015. Coverage takes effect once registration has been processed. A more complete listing of the University’s tuition and fees, as well as explanations of certain fees, or to waive the medical insurance, please see the Student Accounting Services website at [http://www.bu.edu/studentaccountingservices/your-bill/tuition-fees/](http://www.bu.edu/studentaccountingservices/your-bill/tuition-fees/)*

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

Upon initial arrival to the Boston University Campus, international students must report to the International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO) with your I-20, passport and I94 card. Should you have any problems or questions about your visa status, please contact the ISSO at 888 Commonwealth Avenue, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02215 (Tel. 617-353-3565) or at <isso@bu.edu>. You will not be allowed to register unless you have been cleared for admission by the International Students and Scholars Office. [http://www.bu.edu/isso/](http://www.bu.edu/isso/)

The Graduate School Admissions Office is open from 9 AM to 5 PM EDT, Monday through Friday, 705 Commonwealth Avenue, Room 112. The current Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Bulletin can be accessed at [http://www.bu.edu/academics/bulletin/](http://www.bu.edu/academics/bulletin/)

Following is a list of additional links that may be of interest to you as a new graduate student at Boston University. Best wishes for a successful academic experience at Boston University!

**MISCELLANEOUS QUICK LINKS**

-- A campus map can be found at: [http://www.bu.edu/maps/](http://www.bu.edu/maps/)

-- Information regarding Boston's rapid transit system (the MBTA, or simply, the T) can be found at: [http://www.mbta.com/](http://www.mbta.com/)

-- Boston University is located at several stops along the Boston College branch (B Line) of the Green Line: [http://www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/subway/lines/?route=GREEN](http://www.mbta.com/schedules_and_maps/subway/lines/?route=GREEN)

-- If you plan on biking, driving or taking the BU Shuttle to classes, you should take a look at the Parking & Transportation Services website at: [http://www.bu.edu/parking/](http://www.bu.edu/parking/)
-- Information about the city of Boston can found at:
http://www.cityofboston.gov/visitors/

-- The Educational Resource Center provides students with the services and resources for developing personal and academic skills:
http://www.bu.edu/urc/

-- Information regarding campus safety can be found at the BU Police Department's website at:
http://www.bu.edu/police/

-- The Department of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (PERD) offers programs and facilities for numerous forms of physical activity:
http://www.bu.edu/perd/

-- Boston University houses a number of libraries on campus and you'll make use of at least one of them during your time here:
http://www.bu.edu/library/

-- The Office of Information Technology provides general-access computing and communications facilities for the entire University community:
http://www.bu.edu/tech/

-- The Geddes Language Center provides a wide range of instructional media services to the University community:
http://www.bu.edu/geddes/

-- The Boston University Counseling and Wellness Center offers a number of counseling services to students, faculty and staff:
http://www.bu.edu/cwc/index.html

-- The University's bookstore is located within the Barnes & Noble Bookstore on campus:
http://bu.bkstore.com/

-- The Graduate Student Organization (GSO) is a student-run advocacy group for Graduate School of Arts and Sciences students:
http://people.bu.edu/gso/