



College of Engineering

Application for Admission

2009/2010

General Instructions

Before you complete the application, you should consult this bulletin for general College policies and those of the various programs. All parts of the application must be completed. If insufficient space is provided for any items, attach supplementary pages. Please note that the application for admission also serves as background information for eventual decisions on teaching fellowships and research assistantship appointments.

Applicants have the option to apply online at www.bu.edu/eng/grad/apply. If applying on the Web, the applicant should use the online application instructions instead of the paper instructions. Do not submit a paper application if an online application is submitted, as this will cause a delay in processing.

Application Fee

A non-refundable application fee of \$70 must be included with the Application for Admission. A check or money order payable to Boston University must be submitted before an application will be processed. Please write the applicant's name and date of birth on the check. Checks must be drawn on a U.S. bank.

If the applicant would like to pay by credit card, the application must be completed online at www.bu.edu/eng/grad/apply. Credit cards are not accepted for paper applications.

Application Deadline

International applicants who want to be considered for admission and financial aid must submit their application no later than December 15 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester. U.S.

citizens and permanent residents (domestic applicants) who want to be considered for admission and financial aid must submit their application no later than January 15 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester. The Biomedical Engineering Department does not accept applications for the spring/January semester. Application deadlines for admission without financial aid to the other departments/divisions are April 1 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester. For admission to the Biomedical Department (with or without financial aid consideration) domestic applications must be submitted by January 15 and international applications by December 15 for the fall semester.

Financial Aid Information

Consult the Financial Aid Information Sheet of this application for details of types of University aid available. Non-native English speakers will be considered for graduate teaching fellowships only if their IELTS is 6.5 or higher or if their TOEFL score is 600 or higher on the written exam, 250 or higher on the computer-based exam, or 100 on the Internet-Based Test (iBT) along with a verbal score on the GRE General Test of at least 450. Please note there is very little financial aid available for the spring semester. Applicants depending on financial assistance are encouraged to apply for the fall semester.

Credentials Required

A complete paper application packet consists of: (1) A completed application form for a degree program; (2) An application fee of \$70 (3) A certified copy and official English translation of an academic transcript (if original is not in English) from each college or univer-

sity attended. Transcripts should be submitted in an envelope sealed and signed by the registrar; (4) Two letters of recommendation from faculty members in the field of proposed graduate study who are familiar with American higher education; (5) Official GRE General Test scores. A GRE score is valid for six years. The six-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for Fall 2010, a GRE test taken prior to January 2004 is expired; (6) Either an IELTS or TOEFL score is required of all applicants whose native language is not English unless they have been studying in an English-speaking country for a minimum of two years; An IELTS score of 6.0 or higher or a TOEFL score of 550 or higher on the written exam or 213 or higher on the computer-based exam is required to be considered for admission. If a student takes the Internet-Based Test (iBT), a total score of 84 is the required minimum total. The scores on the individual sections should be, at a minimum: Reading—21, Listening—18, Speaking—23, and Writing—22. An IELTS, iBT, or a TOEFL score is valid for two years. The two-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for Fall 2010, an IELTS or a TOEFL test taken prior to January 2008 is expired. (7) Statement of purpose (essay), limit to two pages; (8) A résumé if available; (9) An International Student Data Form for international applicants. All credentials supporting an application must be submitted in English. International students should refer to the Application for Admission Instructions for International Applicants below for additional requirements. A college senior should submit

GRE website: www.gre.org • GMAT website: www.mba.com/mba

TOEFL website: www.ets.org/toefl • IELTS website: www.ielts.org

GRE and TOEFL are administered by Educational Testing Service; GMAT is administered by Management Admission Council. IELTS is jointly managed by the British Council, IDP: IELTS Australia, and the University of Cambridge ESOL Examinations.

an official transcript of work completed in the first semester of the senior year as soon as it is available. **Note:** Enclosed are three envelopes for letters of reference and transcripts; they are designed to enable you to maintain control over the application process while assuring evaluators and registrars of confidentiality. Send the recommendation form to your evaluator (be sure to complete the top portion of the form) and the transcript request to your registrar, with an envelope addressed to yourself. Check the appropriate box on the back of the envelope. **Please request that your recommendations and transcripts be returned to you in the envelopes, sealed and signed across the seal.** Enclose them with your Application for Admission in the larger envelope addressed to the College of Engineering Graduate Programs Office.

Dual Degree Programs

MS/MBA Program Students applying to this program must use the Graduate School of Management application. Application to this program requires both the GRE and GMAT official test scores. Applications may be obtained from, and all materials sent to: Boston University Graduate School of Management, 595 Commonwealth Avenue,

Boston, MA 02215. E-mail: mba@bu.edu.
Website: <http://management.bu.edu>.

MD/PhD Program Students applying to this program must use the Boston University School of Medicine Application. Applications may be obtained from, and all materials sent to: Boston University School of Medicine, Admissions Office, Building L, Room 124, 715 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02118. E-mail: medadms@bu.edu. Website: www.bumc.bu.edu/busm.

LEAP

The Late Entry Accelerated Program (LEAP) is designed for students who have at least a bachelor's degree in the liberal arts or another non-engineering field which does not qualify them for direct admission to the College's Master of Science programs. Successful completion of the LEAP program enables these students to advance to the Master of Science degree program and earn an MS or MEng degree. Please refer to the enclosed College of Engineering Program Information Sheet for additional information. Credentials required for an application are listed under "Credentials Required" above. For additional information, see "Instructions for LEAP Applicants" (next page).

Test Information

IELTS Test scores will be sent directly from the testing center. GRE and TOEFL Test scores must be sent from the testing center directly to the College of Engineering Graduate Programs Office (**use code 3105**, no department code is necessary).

The paper application form and all credentials should be sent to:

Boston University
College of Engineering
Graduate Programs Office
48 Cummington Street, 2nd Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02215 U.S.A.

Materials submitted in support of an application become the property of the University, and neither originals nor copies will be returned. Application materials will be destroyed two years after the semester of acceptance if the applicant does not matriculate.

Instructions for LEAP (Late Entry Accelerated Program) Applicants

Program Information

The LEAP program enables students with a minimum of a bachelor's degree in a liberal arts or other field to satisfy undergraduate engineering requirements and earn an MS degree in biomedical, computer, electrical, manufacturing, materials science & engineering, mechanical engineering, photonics, and systems engineering, or an MEng degree in biomedical & systems engineering. Graduates of the program are prepared for immediate professional employment or doctoral-level study. Part-time or full-time study is possible.

The core curriculum consists of regular undergraduate courses covering topics such as computer programming, electric circuit theory, signals and systems, electronics, logic design, probability and statistics, and other science or mathematics courses as individually necessary. Full-time students with appropriate preparation in mathematics, science, and engineering-related subjects may complete the undergraduate phase of the program in one year. After successfully completing the core curriculum, students have sufficient background to select an appropriate major and to start graduate work by advancing to one of the master's programs listed above. During the last phase of the program, students take standard courses leading to the master's degree in their chosen field.

Academic Counseling

Individually tailored programs of study are arranged for each participant after conference with his or her faculty advisor.

Eligibility

Students who have a minimum of a bachelor's degree in the liberal arts or another field that does not qualify them for direct admission to any of the College's Master of Science programs are eligible to apply to LEAP. For admission consideration, applicants must have completed at least one semester of college calculus and received a

grade of B or higher. All students must submit GRE General Test scores at the time of application to LEAP. All applicants whose native language is not English must submit either an International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS) or a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) unless they have been studying in an English-speaking country for a minimum of two years. An IELTS score of 6.0 or higher is required for admission. A TOEFL score of 550 or higher on the written exam or a score of 213 or higher on the computer-based exam is required for admission. If a student takes the Internet-Based Test (iBT), a total score of 84 is the required minimum total. The scores on the individual sections should be, at a minimum: Reading—21, Listening—18, Speaking—23, and Writing—22.

Criteria for Selection

Participants are selected on the strength of their academic preparation, the degree to which the program matches their career goals and aspirations, and evidence of their commitment to the program.

Support Services

The full range of Boston University services, including the Center for Career Education & Counseling, the Housing Office, and Student Health Services is available to LEAP participants.

Financial Assistance

Generous financial assistance is available to full-time LEAP students who demonstrate need via the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and who are U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or refugees. International students are not eligible for LEAP financial aid and must present financial documentation with their application. LEAP scholarship support is available for a maximum of seven semesters. An application for financial assistance will be mailed to you upon your acceptance into LEAP. Detailed information on available aid and procedures

for applying may be obtained by contacting the Manager of LEAP and Financial Aid at 617-353-9772; e-mail: leap@bu.edu.

Application Deadlines

The Admissions Committee will meet on a continuing basis to review completed applications and to render prompt admission decisions. Admission into LEAP will be granted for September, January, or May entrance. While there is no formal deadline, applicants are urged to submit the completed application as early as possible prior to the intended semester of enrollment. All materials submitted as part of the application become the property of Boston University, and neither originals nor copies will be returned.

Application Requirements

1. A completed Application for Admission form (3 pages) indicating major field of study and degree program desired, and area of specialization if known.
2. A nonrefundable application fee of \$70, payable to Boston University by check or money order. Make certain your name and birthdate appear clearly on the check. Check must be drawn on a U.S. bank.
3. A certified copy and official English translation of an academic transcript (if original is not in English) from each college or university you have attended. Transcripts should be submitted in an envelope sealed and signed by the registrar.
4. A minimum of two letters of recommendation, preferably from individuals you have known well and who can reflect upon your most recent academic or work experience and who are qualified to speak of your potential for success in the program.
5. Statement of purpose (essay), limit to two pages.
6. A résumé if available.
7. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test scores (**use code 3105**, no

department code is necessary). A GRE score is valid for six years. The six-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for Fall 2010, a GRE test taken prior to January 2004 is expired.

8. International students must submit an International Student Data Form (included in this application).
9. If your native language is not English, you must submit results for the International English Language Testing System (IELTS),

iBT, or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). These exams are valid for two years. The two-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for Fall 2010, a language test taken prior to January 2008 is expired.

Please request that your recommendations be returned to you in enclosed envelopes, sealed, and signed across the seal. Mail your complete application to: LEAP Admissions

Committee, College of Engineering, Boston University, 48 Cummington Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02215.

If you have further questions now or at any stage of the application process, please feel free to contact the program manager at 617-353-9772, via e-mail at leap@bu.edu, or by fax at 617-353-0259.

Program Information

Postbachelor's or Post-master's PhD in Engineering

Programs for Post-master's	Test	Credits
Biomedical	GRE	32
Computer	GRE	32
Electrical	GRE	32
Materials Science & Engineering	GRE	32
Mechanical	GRE	32
Systems	GRE	32

Applicants may apply for a PhD program in biomedical, computer, electrical, materials science & engineering, mechanical, and systems engineering. Applicants who hold a bachelor's degree are eligible to apply to the postbachelor's PhD program and applicants who hold a master's degree are eligible to apply for a post-master's PhD program. Students entering the postbachelor's PhD program are required to enroll in a minimum of eight or nine graduate-level courses (see requirements below) to complete the equivalent of the MS portion of the program (with a thesis, if required by the department of admission). Postbachelor's PhD students are required to declare the MS degree upon fulfillment of the degree requirements of their department. In addition, a minimum of 32 graduate credits and the completion of a dissertation are required for the postmaster's PhD portion of the program. Postbachelor's PhD students in the systems program are not required to declare an MS degree. Students entering the post-master's PhD program are required to enroll for a minimum of 32 graduate credits and to complete a dissertation. Detailed information dealing with requirements such as qualifying examinations and the prospectus can be found in the *PhD Programs in Engineering at Boston University Handbook*. Information for all programs listed below, including course descriptions of graduate courses (those numbered 500 and above), may be found on the website: www.bu.edu/reg/registration/regreg.html.

Master of Science

Program	Tests*	Credits
Biomedical	GRE	36
Computer	GRE	32
Electrical	GRE	32
Global Manufacturing	GRE	36
Manufacturing	GRE	36
Materials Science & Engineering	GRE	32
Mechanical	GRE	32
Photonics	GRE	32
Systems	GRE	32
Engineering (Interdisciplinary)	GRE	32

The Master of Science is a professional degree with emphasis on advanced training in engineering science and design. Students receiving the Master of Science degree may choose to continue studies toward a doctoral degree or to enter engineering practice.

The program requires a minimum of one year of full-time study.

Master of Engineering

Program	Tests*	Credits
Biomedical	GRE	32
Systems	GRE	32

This program was developed for students that wish to work in industry rather than pursue a PhD program. A thesis or project is not required.

Master of Science in Manufacturing Engineering and Master of Business Administration (Dual Degree Program)

The combined degree program is designed to provide a balance between manufacturing engineering and operations management. The program has a requirement of 80 credit hours. Application to this program requires both the GRE and GMAT official test scores. Applications for the combined

program may be obtained from the Graduate School of Management, 595 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215; e-mail: mba@bu.edu. Please indicate that the application is for the dual degree engineering/management program. Applicants for the MS/MBA degree program are required to submit the official results of the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) scores (**use code P42-OL-26**).

The program requires a minimum of two and one-half calendar years of full-time study.

Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Medicine (Dual Degree Program)

The combined MD/PhD degree program is conducted under the joint auspices of the School of Medicine and the College of Engineering and is designed for and open to highly qualified individuals who are strongly motivated for an education and a career in both medicine and research. The minimum entrance requirements and the prerequisite courses for the School of Medicine are the same as those for the Division of Graduate Medical Sciences. Applications may be obtained from the School of Medicine, Admissions Office, Building L, Room 124, 715 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02118; e-mail: medadms@bu.edu. Applicants for the MD/PhD degree program are required to submit the official results of the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) as well as of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test.

The program requires six or seven calendar years of full-time study.

Late Entry Accelerated Program (LEAP)

The LEAP program is designed for students who have at least a bachelor's degree, but whose academic background is in the liberal arts or other nonengineering areas which do not qualify them for direct admission to the College's Master of Science programs. LEAP

* The official general GRE is required.

applicants must have completed at least one semester of calculus in college and obtained a grade of “B” or higher to be considered for admission. A number of undergraduate courses are required of the LEAP student, depending on the specific program being sought and the educational background of the applicant. Once the course requirements are satisfied, the student advances to their master’s program of choice. LEAP applications will be considered for September, January, or May admission. Credentials required for an application are listed under “Credentials Required” on the instruction sheet of the Application for Admission. All applicants must submit official results of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test. International applicants should check

under the appropriate heading for additional requirements. LEAP scholarship assistance is available to full-time LEAP students who demonstrate need through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and who are U.S. citizens, Permanent Residents, or refugees. Federal and private educational loan funds are available to eligible students enrolled at least half time. LEAP scholarship support is available for a maximum of seven semesters. International students are not eligible for financial aid and must present financial documentation with their application.

The program requires approximately two calendar years of full-time study.

Financial Aid Information

Several sources of financial aid and education financing options are available for eligible graduate degree students in the College of Engineering at Boston University. Funding options include both merit and need-based assistance from a variety of University, federal, and private sources. All students applying to the PhD program are automatically considered for all available forms of financial aid. Master of Science applicants who wish to be considered for fellowships or assistantships should indicate this on the Application for Admission. International applicants who wish to be considered for admission and financial aid must submit applications no later than December 15 for the following fall semester and October 1 for the following spring semester. The corresponding deadlines for domestic applicants are January 15 for the fall and October 1 for the spring. The Biomedical Engineering Department does not accept applications for the spring/January semester. Most financial aid is awarded to fall semester applicants. Only a limited amount of funding is available for spring applicants. Applicants requiring financial aid are encouraged to apply for the fall semester. The College of Engineering has a policy of maintaining support for funded graduate students who continue to make satisfactory progress toward the degree. Admitted MS students who do not receive University support but are eligible for educational loans will be sent appropriate information with the letter of admission. Matriculated students must remain in good standing and maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 in order to be eligible for continued federal, University, or College financial support.

WITHDRAWALS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE, AND ADJUSTMENTS

Students who withdraw or take a leave of absence before the first day of the semester are eligible to receive full credit for tuition and fees, excluding nonrefundable deposits

and the application fee. Students who officially withdraw or take a leave of absence on or after the first day of the semester will have their tuition charges adjusted based on the University's published tuition refund schedule. Notification of withdrawal and requests for a leave of absence should be made to the University Service Center (USC), 881 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215. For additional information and counseling, contact the Service Center at 617-358-1818.

Federal funds will be adjusted according to federal regulations, which stipulate that students who withdraw or take a leave of absence before 60 percent of the semester expires will retain aid in proportion to the percentage of the semester for which they were enrolled. Boston University grants are reduced to cover the same percentage of tuition that was covered prior to their withdrawal or leave. The family is expected to pay any remaining balance since the family has the primary responsibility for paying educational costs.

Additional information is available online and from the Financial Assistance office.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Tuition Scholarship Policy Tuition scholarship can be awarded only for courses applicable to a student's degree program. Physical education and other unrelated classes are not supported, nor are withdrawals or audits.

Boston University does not award scholarship funds to students who are out of compliance with federal aid regulations regarding defaulted education loans or requirements of the United States Selective Service Administration. Applicants with prior histories of compliance deficiencies are advised to establish early contact with the Graduate Programs Office of the College of Engineering.

Dean's Fellowship The Dean's Fellowship provides a PhD applicant with an academic-year stipend of \$18,400 (for 2009/10), 32 credit hours of tuition support for one academic year and individual enrollment in the Boston University Student Medical Insurance BASIC Plan. In addition, the student's department may offer the guarantee of support for the first summer at a stipend rate of \$9,200, bringing the total calendar year stipend to \$27,600. The Dean's Fellowship is not renewable, but each recipient can expect continued support in subsequent years provided that she/he makes good progress toward completion of the doctoral degree. This support will typically come in the form of a Graduate Research Assistantship but may also include funding as a Graduate Teaching Fellow. No specific teaching or research service is required of Dean's Fellows, but recipients are expected to establish research goals with a faculty advisor during the first year of study.

All applicants to the PhD program are automatically considered for the Dean's Fellowship award, and no special application is required. Potential recipients are nominated by each department, and final decisions regarding annual awardees are made by the Dean of the College of Engineering.

Graduate Research Assistantships

Research Assistantships provide a stipend of \$9,200, up to 10 credit hours of tuition scholarship, and individual enrollment in the Boston University Student Medical Insurance BASIC Plan for each semester of support. The 2009/2010 calendar year stipend for first-year students equals a total of \$27,600. In subsequent years, research assistants may expect stipend increases up to \$30,360 as progress is made toward the degree. Research assistants are expected to work a minimum of 20 hours a week during the academic year and 40 hours a week during the summer semester.

Academic research faculty members holding sponsored research grants or contracts offer

research assistantships each year to qualified students who have particular interests and abilities in research areas of mutual interest. Applicants interested in research assistantships should complete the “Financial Aid Application Form” describing their research interests and experience.

Graduate Teaching Fellowship A Graduate Teaching Fellowship provides the student with an academic-year stipend of \$18,400 plus individual enrollment in the Boston University Student Medical Insurance BASIC Plan. In addition, teaching fellows receive up to 10 credits per semester of tuition scholarship during the academic year, plus an additional 4 credits of summer tuition scholarship which must be used for required coursework for each academic-year semester of employment. A maximum of 24 credits of tuition scholarship will be awarded for any given calendar year. All tuition scholarship must be used for coursework leading to the degree. Credit hours must be used during the semester for which they are awarded.

Graduate Teaching Fellows work approximately 20 hours per week under the supervision of a faculty member in support of courses taught by the College of Engineering. Duties may include tasks such as leading discussion sections, supervising laboratory sessions, grading homework, and writing homework solution sets. All new Graduate Teaching Fellows must attend a mandatory Training Seminar at the beginning of the semester. Applicants interested in Graduate Teaching Fellowships should complete the Financial Aid Application Form section of the Application for Admission and describe any relevant teaching qualifications, experience, or interests.

Part-Time Employment Within Boston University

A variety of paid part-time positions are available for graduate students through the Student Employment Office at Boston University. Opportunities vary each semester but may include such jobs as grader, laboratory assistant, office assistant, and research assistant. Students who are awarded Federal College Work-Study grants (restricted to U.S. citizens and permanent residents) have access to additional employment opportunities posted by the University Work-Study Office.

Off-Campus Part-Time Employment

A number of part-time off-campus jobs are available to Boston University students through the Student Employment Office. A full-time graduate student should not expect to work more than about ten hours

per week or earn more than about \$1,000 per month from such employment. Students awarded Federal Work-Study grants have access to additional employment opportunities listed by the University Work-Study Office. International students may not work more than 20 hours per week total, including on-campus and off-campus jobs. All RA and GTF appointments require the student to work 20 hours per week, hence international students receiving these forms of financial aid may not hold any other type of employment. This employment restriction also applies to the summer semester.

Other international students are advised to seek the counsel of the International Students & Scholars Office at 888 Commonwealth Avenue to obtain the most up-to-date information and regulations concerning employment issues for foreign students.

Graduate Cooperative Education Program

The Cooperative Education program run by the College of Engineering enables students to gain valuable professional experience as an integral part of graduate study. Participants are provided with valuable experience that helps link knowledge gained in the classroom with the practical environment of industry. Hours and payment vary with position. Students interested in the Cooperative Education program are advised to consult with the College of Engineering Career Development Office.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO U.S. CITIZENS AND PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship acknowledges those students who have embraced the memory and ideals of one of Boston University’s most prominent alumni, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (GRS’55, Hon, ’59). The scholarship provides renewable full-tuition awards for academically gifted students with proven leadership abilities and a strong commitment to social justice and community involvement. These students will epitomize the importance of different cultures on Boston University’s campus and will assist in promoting a respectful, welcoming atmosphere for students from all backgrounds. Additional information regarding conditions, the application process, and criteria are available from Admissions and the Financial Assistance office.

National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science

Boston University participates in the National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science (GEM) program. Students interested in this fellowship award should apply directly to the GEM organization (www.gemfellowship.org). The College of Engineering will provide all admitted GEM awardees with a supplemental tuition and stipend scholarship, in addition to the GEM scholarship.

Late Entry Accelerated Program Scholarship (Need-based)

The Late Entry Accelerated Program provides tuition scholarship funds to full-time LEAP students who demonstrate need via the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. To be eligible for LEAP scholarship funds of up to \$27,595 for the 2009/10 academic year, dependent on the level of demonstrated need, the applicant must first secure a base loan of \$8,500 per academic year from the Federal Direct Loan Program. Boston University LEAP tuition assistance is available for up to seven semesters of combined Phase I and Phase II study. Interested applicants should file a FAFSA form as part of the application process, listing Boston University (code 002130) as a recipient institution. International LEAP students are not eligible for financial aid and must be prepared to present financial documentation to the International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO) prior to arrival on campus.

Federal College Work-Study (Need-based)

Federal Work-Study is a federally funded program designed to promote part-time and summer employment to help domestic students (U.S. citizens or permanent residents) meet educational expenses. The program provides students with the opportunity to earn money and to develop professional skills. Applicants who wish to be considered for Federal Work-Study support must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), listing Boston University (code 002130) as a recipient institution.

EDUCATIONAL LOANS

Federal and private educational loans are available for U.S. citizens and permanent residents. Loans offered by private agencies have varying terms and are available to credit-worthy students. The private loan amount will depend on the total cost of education and will be adjusted to account for other forms of secured financial aid.

A student having a record of an overdue account, foreclosure, or bankruptcy will be unable to secure a private educational loan. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Manager of Financial Aid at 617-353-9760 or enggradask@bu.edu.

Federal Direct Student Loan Program The Federal Direct Student Loan Program offers funding to students who are enrolled at least half-time in a degree program. The interest rate is fixed at 6.8%. These loans are either need-based (subsidized) or non-need-based (unsubsidized). The type of loan for which a student is eligible is determined by the level of need established by filing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA may be filed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov listing Boston University (code 002130) as the recipient institution. The loan repayment period begins six months after graduation, leaving school, or dropping below half-time enrollment.

Subsidized (Need-Based) Loans Students with demonstrated need may borrow up to \$8,500 per academic year in subsidized funds. No interest accrues on the subsidized portion until the repayment period begins.

Unsubsidized (Non-Need-Based) Loans In addition to the subsidized loan, a student may borrow an additional unsubsidized loan of up to \$12,000 for a total loan of \$20,500 per academic year. Interest on an unsubsidized loan is incurred starting with the day the loan is first disbursed. The interest may be paid as it is incurred or may be capitalized until loan repayment.

Federal Perkins Loan The Federal Perkins Loan is a low-interest educational loan administered by Boston University. Available funds are provided by federal allocations, Boston University matching contributions, and the repayments of previous borrowers. Under current regulations, 5 percent annual interest and repayment obligations do not begin until after a nine-month grace period that begins when the student ceases to be enrolled at least half time. Repayment may be deferred during graduate study.

Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan The Federal Direct Graduate PLUS loan is a credit-based loan available to students who are enrolled at least half-time (6 credits) per semester in a graduate or professional program leading to a master's or doctoral degree. The student must be a U.S. citizen

or a permanent resident, must not have an outstanding balance from a prior period of enrollment, and must be making satisfactory academic progress. The interest rate is fixed at 7.9%. Before deciding on an amount to borrow, students should first consider the Federal Direct Stafford Loan. Additional information on the Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan and an application form are available at the Financial Assistance office website www.bu.edu/finaid/loans/credit/grad/grad-plus.html.

Other Private Credit-Based Loans Private loans are available for domestic students, international students with a domestic credit-worthy co-borrower, and nondegree students. Additional information and loan comparisons may be found on the Financial Assistance office website at www.bu.edu/finaid/loans/credit. Questions regarding the various forms of financial assistance available to graduate students in the College of Engineering at Boston University may be directed to the Manager of Financial Aid, 48 Cummington St., Room 206, Boston, MA 02215; telephone 617-353-9760 or e-mail at enggradask@bu.edu.

Instructions for International Applicants

The College of Engineering offers programs leading to the Master of Science (MS), the Master of Engineering (MEng) and the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degrees in the fields of study listed on the Program Information Sheet. Applicants should refer to this sheet before filling out the application form. Please be sure to check everything carefully, especially the application instructions and application deadlines, before submitting your application.

PLEASE NOTE: The applicant's name on the application form must appear exactly the same as on the applicant's passport. Also, if the applicant's name on any supporting documents/credentials appears differently than on the application form, the applicant must notify the Admissions Office of the discrepancy to ensure that all documents can be successfully matched to the appropriate application.

Materials Required for Paper Application for Admission to the College of Engineering Graduate Programs

1. An application fee of \$70 payable by check or international money order in U.S. dollars. Checks must be drawn on a U.S. bank. The fee cannot be refunded or waived. Applications submitted without the fee will not be considered. Please write the name and date of birth of the applicant on the check.
2. A completed Application for Admission form (3 pages) indicating major field of study and degree program desired, and area of specialization if known.
3. A personal statement.
4. A résumé, if available.
5. Two sealed letters of recommendation, in English, from faculty members in your proposed field of study who are familiar with the U.S. system of higher education. Please refer to the "Credentials Required"

section on the first page of this application for additional information.

6. A certified official copy (not photocopy) and certified English translations of all academic records from every college or university you have attended, submitted in an envelope sealed and signed by the registrar.
7. General Record Examination (GRE) Graduate Test scores. **Please use code 3105 to submit official scores** (no department code is required). A GRE score is valid for six years. The six-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for Fall 2010, a GRE test taken prior to January 2004 is expired. To receive registration materials or information, contact GRE, Educational Testing Service, P.O. Box 6000, Princeton, NJ 08541-6000, USA; tel: 609-771-7670; fax: 609-771-7906; e-mail: GREinfo@ets.org; Internet: www.gre.org.
8. A completed International Student Data Form (ISDF). Please submit two pages along with a copy of your passport. You must attach documentation of all sources of financial support as stated in the Financial Declaration portion of the ISDF. Please see the "Estimate of Expenses" for help in financial planning. The expenses generally increase by approximately 4 percent each year. This should be taken into account when preparing financial documentation. If you are currently in the United States, it is essential to include a photocopy of your current visa, passport, and other visa documents.
9. If your native language is not English, you must submit results for the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). An IELTS score of 6.0 or higher is required for admission. A TOEFL score of 550 or higher on the written exam or 213 or higher on the

computer-based exam is required for admission. If a student takes the Internet-Based Test (iBT), a total score of 84 is the required minimum total. The scores on the individual sections should be, at a minimum: Reading—21, Listening—18, Speaking—23, and Writing—22. The IELTS score will be sent directly to Boston University. **Please use code 3105 to submit official TOEFL scores** (no department code is required). Both exams are valid for two years. The two-year expiration date is based on January for fall applicants and October for spring applicants. For example, if an applicant is applying for September 2010, a language test taken prior to January 2008 is expired. The IELTS and TOEFL exams are administered in major centers around the world. To obtain registration information, go to the IELTS website at www.ielts.org or the TOEFL website at www.ets.org/toefl.

10. Financial Aid Application Form to apply for financial assistance. Please also check the "yes" box following the questions about financial aid on the Application for Admission to be considered for Boston University sources of financial aid available to all applicants.

The Biomedical Engineering Department does not accept applications for the spring/January semester. Financial aid such as fellowships, scholarships, and assistantships are available to international students, but awards are made on the basis of merit instead of financial need. If you wish to be considered for any of these forms of financial aid, please return the Financial Aid Application Form with your application. International applicants who want to be considered for admission and financial aid must submit their application no later than December 15 for the fall semester and October 1 for the spring semester. For admission to the Biomedical Department (with or without financial aid consideration)

international applications must be submitted by December 15 for the fall semester.

All credentials are to be mailed directly to the College of Engineering Graduate Programs Office. International students must make arrangements for travel to and from Boston and have adequate financial resources (including tuition and living expenses) for at least one year at Boston University.

A limited number of appointments to teaching fellowships and assistantships are available to qualified international students with superior fluency in English. International students will be considered for graduate teaching fellowships only if their IELTS

score is 6.5 or higher or their TOEFL score is 600 or higher on the written exam or 250 or higher on the computer-based exam, or 100 on the iBT exam and their verbal score on the general GRE is at least 450. Information and assistance regarding governmental and other University regulations may be obtained by writing to the International Students & Scholars Office, 888 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215, U.S.A. E-mail: isso@bu.edu. For further advice and assistance in seeking admission, international students are advised to consult the nearest United States Embassy, Consulate, or information center.

Please type or print.

U.S. Social Security number:	Boston University ID number (BU students only):	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female (check one)
Please note: for international applicants your name (last, first, middle) must match your passport.		
Last (family) name	First (given)	Middle
Present address (valid until _____)		City
		State
		Zip (postal) code
Country:		Present telephone number:
E-mail:	May this e-mail address be used for application status updates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Permanent address		City
		State
		Zip (postal) code
Country:		Permanent telephone number:
Date and country of birth:		Country of citizenship:
Citizenship status: (check one)	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent resident <input type="checkbox"/> Not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident	Permanent resident visa number (if applicable):

APPLICANT FOR Full time Part time (check only ONE degree program below)

Doctor of Philosophy (Post-Master's PhD) Doctor of Philosophy (Postbachelor's PhD) Master of Science (MS) Master of Engineering (MEng) BME or SYS only BS/Master's 5-Year Program LEAP

What is your ultimate degree objective? <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> PhD	Semester/year of intended enrollment: _____ If you have previously applied to this Graduate School, give sem/yr: _____
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APPLICANT FOR: (check only **one**)

<input type="checkbox"/> Biomedical	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Manufacturing (MS only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical
<input type="checkbox"/> Computer	<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing (MS only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Photonics (MS only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical	<input type="checkbox"/> Materials Science & Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Systems

Give date(s) you took (or will take) the Graduate Record Examination and/or the Graduate Management Admission Test; the Test of English as a Foreign Language; and/or the International English Language Testing System. Indicate scores if known.

GRE (general)	Date	Verbal	Quantitative	Analytical or Analytical Writing
GMAT	Date	Verbal	Quantitative	Total score
IELTS	Date	Listening	Reading	Writing
TOEFL	Date	Reading	Listening	Speaking
				Total score

Name two persons who will provide recommendations: 1. 2.

Colleges or universities attended (most recent first)	Location	Date (from-to)	Major field	Degrees and date awarded or expected
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.....				

Do you wish to be considered for financial aid from Boston University? Yes No

If financial assistance is not available, do you wish to be considered for admission? Yes No

If you are a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident and wish to be considered a member of an ethnic group, please specify: _____

Are you a U.S. veteran? Yes No

I hereby attest that all information provided in this application is true.

For Office Use Only
Fee paid: _____
Fee card: _____
Application complete: _____

Signature Date

Please indicate your area(s) of research interest (please limit your choice to **four (4)** areas):

BIOMEDICAL

- Auditory Neuroscience
- Bioinformatics and Computational Biology
- Biomaterials, Tissue Engineering, and Drug Delivery
- Biomedical Nano- and Microtechnology
- Bio-Imaging and Biomedical Optics
- Cardiopulmonary Engineering
- Cell and Tissue Mechanics
- Computational Neuroscience
- Modeling of Biological Systems
- Molecular Bioengineering and Biophysics
- Neural and Neuromuscular Engineering
- Neuroscience and Neural Disease
- Synthetic Biology and Systems Biology

ELECTRICAL/COMPUTER

- Biomedical Photonics and Optics
- Biomedical Signal and Image Processing
- Biomimetic Circuits and Systems
- Computer Architecture
- Configurable Systems/FPGAs
- Control Systems and Optimization
- Cooperative Control and Autonomous Agents
- Electrical, Optical, and Magnetic Properties
- Embedded Systems
- Error-Correcting Codes and Algorithms
- Estimation

- High Performance Computing
- Instrumentation
- Machine Learning and Optimization
- Mobile Computing and Networking
- Network Information Processing
- Quantum Photonics, Imaging, and Information
- Radar Signal Processing
- Remote Sensing of Atmosphere/Ionosphere
- Solid State Materials and Devices
- Space Plasmas
- Stochastic Systems, Control, and Scheduling
- Target Recognition and Radar Signal Processing
- Vehicular Networking
- Video Sensing and Networks
- Visual Information Processing
- VLSI Circuit Design

MECHANICAL

- Acoustics, Ultrasound, and Vibrations
- Biomechanics
- Computational Science and Engineering
- Dynamics, Control, and Robotics
- Energy and Thermofluid Sciences
- Materials
- MEMS and Nanotechnology

MATERIALS SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

- Biomaterials
- Electronic and Photonic Materials
- Materials for Energy and Environment
- Nanomaterials

SYSTEMS

- Communication, Network, and Information Systems
- Control Systems, Automation, and Robotics
- Discrete Event, Hybrid, and Complex Systems
- Optimization and Algorithms
- Queuing Systems
- Production, Service, and Supply Chain Systems
- Sensor and Wireless Networks
- Transportation and Energy Systems

Specify three areas of interest associated with the department to which you are applying from the lists of research topics shown above (or other areas that are not listed).

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Please visit the website of the department to which you are applying and identify faculty with whom you may be interested in doing research. List up to three faculty members (these may include both primary faculty and joint or affiliated faculty).

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

List any faculty that you have contacted.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

On a separate sheet, please discuss your short- and long-term professional goals and the major influences that helped shape these goals. Describe your motivation for pursuing graduate study at the College of Engineering. You may also wish to support your application by providing any comments or information that you feel are not elicited by the application form.

RÉSUMÉ

Please attach a résumé to this application and include any work experience.

CURRENT COURSES

Please attach a list of courses you are currently taking and all courses you plan to take in your final year before starting graduate school. (List course numbers and titles.)

**ACTIVITIES AND
ACHIEVEMENTS**

Please list the following either on your résumé or on a separate sheet:

- Community and/or professional activities in order of their importance to you.
- Any honors, distinctions, prizes, or scholarships you have received.
- Any documents such as publications, theses, scientific or literary articles, or other creative work that could be used to support your application.

How did you hear about Boston University College of Engineering?

You should be aware that, under the provisions of the 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, the University is authorized to disclose personally identifiable information from your educational records to approved financial aid agencies to which you have applied for aid, if access to that information is needed by those agencies to determine your eligibility for, the conditions of, and/or maintenance of aid, or to enforce terms connected with the receipt of such aid.

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Name _____
last first

If you feel that you have any special experience that might make you especially qualified to receive a graduate teaching fellowship, research assistantship, or training fellowship, please elaborate below. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

The applicant should complete all relevant sections below and submit this form to the person providing a recommendation. Materials submitted in support of an application become the property of the University, and neither originals nor copies will be returned. (Please type or print.)

To be completed by the applicant:

Semester/Year of intended enrollment _____

Name of applicant:

Birth date _____
month/day/year

last (family) name

first

middle/maiden

Application for:

- Biomedical
- Computer
- Electrical
- Global Manufacturing (MS)
- Manufacturing (MS)

- Materials Science & Engineering
- Mechanical
- Photonics (MS)
- Systems

Degree Program:

- Postbachelor's PhD
- Post-Master's PhD

- Master of Science
- Master of Engineering
- BS/Master's
- LEAP

Evaluator's name _____

Title or position _____

Institution/Company _____

Department _____

Telephone number _____

Fax number _____

E-mail address _____

TO THE APPLICANT: This recommendation will become part of your Admissions file. It will not be discussed with any unauthorized individual without your consent. If you matriculate at Boston University, you will be accorded access to its contents unless you voluntarily waive your right of access. Please check one of the boxes and sign the statement below.

I have read the information above and I hereby waive do not waive my right of access to this document should I matriculate at Boston University.

Signature _____ Date _____

TO THE PERSON MAKING THE RECOMMENDATION: Under the 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, the applicant named above will have access to this recommendation unless he or she has waived that right. If you choose not to use this form for your recommendation, please return the form with your letter so that the above waiver may apply to such letters.

Acquaintance with applicant:

1. I have known the applicant for _____ years and/or _____ months.
2. I have known the applicant as an undergraduate a research assistant other (specify) _____
 a graduate student a teaching assistant
3. I have served as the applicant's research advisor teacher in several classes other (specify) _____
 major advisor teacher in only one class
4. Would you accept the applicant as a PhD student? Yes No

Applicant's Overall Ability: In comparison with students in the same field who have had approximately the same amount of experience and training, how do you rate the applicant in general all-around ability?

- 1 Top 1%. A person who, in your experience, appears once every few years.
- 2 Highest 5%. Comparable to the best student in a current class.
- 3 Next highest 5%.
- 4 Ability easily identifiable, but not in upper 10%. Probably upper 15%. Certainly upper 25%.
- 5 Upper 50%.
- 6 Lower 50%.

In the space below, please explain the basis for your rating of the applicant's overall ability.

On this page or on a separate sheet of paper, please describe in some detail the applicant's abilities. Comment on his or her potential for scholarly achievement, elaborating, where appropriate, on such matters as versatility, creativity, ability to make sound judgments, laboratory skills, major academic weaknesses (if any), performance by the applicant in independent study or in research-participation programs, and any other characteristics you deem pertinent. If you have knowledge of the applicant's research plan, please also comment on that plan. Several paragraphs regarding the applicant's ability will be more informative than one or two sentences.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return in a sealed envelope to either the applicant or:

Boston University
College of Engineering
Graduate Programs
48 Cummington Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

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 a graduate student a teaching assistant
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 major advisor teacher in only one class
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Signature _____ Date _____

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Boston, Massachusetts 02215

This form must be completed by all international students applying for admission. Please answer all of the questions completely and return the form with the requested financial documentation and copies of U.S. immigration documents (if applicable) to the Admissions Office reviewing your academic application. Once you have been admitted to a program of study (and, in some cases, once you have formally accepted the offer of admission), the Admissions Office will send this form, the supporting documents, and a file to the Boston University International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO). Once your file has been reviewed and determined to be complete, the ISSO will forward an official immigration document to you with instructions on how to apply for the student visa at the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. If you are currently in the U.S., the ISSO will forward specific immigration instructions to you to facilitate your enrollment.

General Information (Please record all names **exactly** as they appear on your passport)

Name _____ Female
family/last (in capital letters) first/given middle Male

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____
month / day / year city country

Country of citizenship _____ Country of legal permanent residence _____

Permanent address in home country:

Street _____ City _____ State/Province _____
 Country _____ Postal code _____

E-mail: _____

If you wish correspondence to be sent to you at an address other than the one above, please write it here:

Street _____ City _____ State/Province _____
 Country _____ Postal code _____

This address can be used for mail from _____ to _____
month / day / year month / day / year

Financial Declaration

Boston University is required by U.S. government regulations to check the availability of adequate funding for your tuition, fees, and living expenses for the duration of your studies at Boston University to issue the immigration documents necessary to obtain a student visa. All financial documents submitted for evaluation will become the property of Boston University and will not be returned to the applicant. It is recommended that you request multiple copies of the documentation listed below to submit at the point of visa application and to retain for your records. Please refer to the Estimate of Expenses for the breakdown of fees and for the minimum required per year.

All declarations of financial support must:

1. Be original documents (not photocopies)
2. Reflect the minimum amount of support in U.S. dollars
3. Specify funding for study at Boston University (not another college or university)
4. Include a date and be no more than one year old from the intended date of enrollment
5. Indicate the period of time for which the support will be provided
6. Be written in English

Please check the box below which describes the type of funding you will be receiving, and attach the appropriate official documentation as outlined below:

- If you will be funded by a family member, please submit:
1. A letter of sponsorship which indicates that your sponsor is willing and able to support you financially for your academic fees and living expenses throughout the duration of your studies at Boston University and the relationship of the sponsor to the applicant.
 2. An official bank statement or credit reference from a bank stating the availability of the minimum estimated expenses as indicated on the Estimate of Expenses.
- If you will be funded by your government, an organization, a company, etc., the sponsor must submit a letter of sponsorship on official letterhead which states:
1. That your funding is valid specifically for Boston University.
 2. Exactly which expenses will be covered (i.e., academic fees, living expenses, health insurance, financial support for family members, travel, etc.)
 3. The length of the financial support.
- If you will be funded by a bank loan, you must submit an official letter of certification from the lending institution indicating the specific amount for which you have been guaranteed.
- If you will be funded in a manner not listed above (for example, if you will fund yourself), you must submit official documentation (a bank statement or a credit reference from a bank) indicating the specific amount.

Educational Information

List all schools, colleges, or other institutions you have attended or are attending in your country and elsewhere, **including** the United States:

Secondary or Preparatory Schools	Location	Indicate degree or diploma granted	Dates	
			from	to

Immigration and Visa Information

If you are currently in the U.S., or have been in the U.S. during the past six months, please indicate your current or most recent U.S. immigration classification and submit dark, legible copies of the following documents:

- ____ Personal data pages of your passport including the page that indicates the passport expiration date
- ____ Copy of the front and reverse side of your most recent I-94 card (usually small card stapled into your passport)
(Please make certain that the copy clearly reflects the blue and red DHS stamp on the I-94 card)
- ____ Copy of the most recent visa stamp in your passport (if applicable)

In addition:

- If you are currently in the U.S. in F-1 student status, please submit dark, legible copies of the front and reverse side of all of your Form(s) I-20 and Employment Authorization Card(s) (if applicable)
- If you are currently in the U.S. in J-1 Exchange Visitor status in any category, please submit dark, legible copies of all of your Form(s) DS-2019.
- If you are currently in the U.S. in F-2, J-2, H-4 or any other dependent immigration status, please submit copies of all immigration documents from your spouse or parent on which you are dependent for your immigration status.
- If you are currently in the U.S. in any other immigration status, please submit copies of all of your Form(s) I-797 and/or any other relevant immigration documents.

If you are not currently in the U.S., to which U.S. Embassy or Consulate do you intend to apply for your visa stamp?
(Please include the city and the country)

Family Information

Your spouse and your children (under the age of 21) are eligible to apply for dependent visas to accompany you to the U.S. or to follow to join you at a later time. Please complete the information below about each dependent whether or not they will be included in your visa/status applications.

1. Do you have any dependents (as defined above)?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. How many? _____
2. Are your dependents currently in the U.S.?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
3. Will your family travel with you to the U.S.?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
4. Will your family travel to the U.S. separately?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. When? _____

	Dependent 1	Dependent 2	Dependent 3	Dependent 4
Family/Last Name				
First/Given Name(s)				
Middle Name(s)				
Date of Birth				
City of Birth (month/day/year)				
Country of Birth				
Country of Citizenship				
Country of Legal Permanent Residence				
Relationship*				
Current immigration status, if in U.S.				

* Please indicate "Wife," "Husband," "Son," or "Daughter." If you have more than four dependents, list them on an additional sheet.

Last Position Held in Home Country

Please give the title and a brief description of the most recent (or current) position held in your country of citizenship or country of last legal permanent residence. If the last position was that of student, please write "Undergraduate student" or "Graduate student."

Please choose the category that best describes the employer of the above position:

- Government Academic Community Private Sector The Arts or Sports Labor Union or Organization Communications/Media Military

I attest that the information I have provided above is accurate, and I understand that it will be released to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to create official immigration records for me and my dependent family members. I understand that I am responsible for submitting adequate financial documentation demonstrating my ability to pay for my tuition and living expenses. Failure to report accurate information could jeopardize my eligibility for a U.S. visa or my ability to enter the U.S. and enroll in my academic program.

Signed _____ Dated _____

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2009/2010 Estimate of Expenses for Graduate International Students at the Charles River Campus

International Students & Scholars Office • 19 Deerfield Street, Second Floor • Boston, Massachusetts • 02215
Telephone: 617/353-3565 • isso@bu.edu • www.bu.edu/isso • Facsimile: 617/358-1170

These estimates are for graduate international students studying at the Charles River Campus during the 2009/2010 academic year. Please see reverse side for the Estimate of Expenses for programs at the Boston University Medical Campus. The 9-month estimate covers the Fall and Spring semesters, while the 12-month estimate covers Fall, Spring, and Summer. Please keep in mind that the figures for living expenses are estimates.

Estimate for Graduate Students

Tuition listed is for most graduate programs. Please see the "Tuition Exceptions" section below for a list of schools or colleges with different tuition charges and adjust the tuition estimate accordingly. Some academic programs require additional fees; please check with your academic program to determine if additional fees will apply. Although students are not required to enroll in Summer Term, any coursework taken during the summer or at the Center for English Language and Orientation Programs (CELOP) will require additional tuition and fees.

	<u>9 months</u>	<u>12 months</u>
Tuition (see certain exceptions below)	\$37,910	\$ 37,910
University Fees ⁽¹⁾	386	386
Health Insurance ⁽²⁾	1,466	1,466
Room and Board	11,808	15,744
Books and Supplies	1,189	1,189
Incidentals (transportation and personal expenses)	<u>3,994</u>	<u>5,325</u>
Total	\$56,753	\$62,020

Estimate for Dependents

A dependent is defined as the student's spouse or child (*under the age of 21*). Please add the following figures to the total estimate listed above when a student will be accompanied by dependents.

	<u>9 months</u>	<u>12 months</u>
For one dependent	\$ 7,878	\$ 9,584
For two dependents	\$13,644	\$16,898
For each additional dependent, add this figure to the estimate above for two dependents	\$ 2,129	\$2,904

Tuition Exceptions (per year)

Substitute these tuition figures in place of the standard tuition figure above when calculating estimate of expenses.

College of Fine Arts	\$19,000
School of Law	\$38,816
School of Social Work	\$24,300
School of Theology	\$15,520

Continuing Student Fees (per year)

This fee maintains the registration status of students who have finished all required degree coursework and are only completing thesis or dissertation research.

Continuing Student Fee	\$4,736
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(1) Tuition and Fees

Fees include George Sherman Union (GSU) and Health fee for the year; does not include any special fees that may be associated with specific schools/colleges.

(2) Health Insurance Rate

Rates reflect 2008/2009 academic year. New 2009/2010 rates to be announced. Health insurance is required for all international students and their dependent family members. Please note that these rates are for students on the Charles River Campus, and are based on the student health insurance plan available for purchase through Boston University.