



## Osher Reentry Scholarship Application

The Osher Reentry Scholarship Fund was established at Boston University's Metropolitan College by the Bernard Osher Foundation. Osher Reentry Scholars are awarded a \$2,500 scholarship.

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### SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Osher Reentry Scholarship, you need to:

- Be an adult reentry student between the ages of 25 and 50.
- Show evidence of a cumulative gap in the pursuit of an undergraduate degree of five or more years.
- Be a United States citizen or permanent resident.
- Be planning to return to or continue in the workforce.
- Show evidence of financial need by filing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA forms are available at [www.bu.edu/finaid](http://www.bu.edu/finaid)).
- Write a 300-word essay as outlined in this application.
- Be admitted to an undergraduate degree program at Metropolitan College as either a part-time or full-time student pursuing a first baccalaureate degree.

Reviews of scholarship applications start **July 30** for fall and **December 1** for spring. Applicants who have submitted completed scholarship applications by these dates will be given priority. Application reviews will continue throughout the year until all funds are awarded.

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### ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer the required essay questions on white paper, typed and double-spaced. Please submit the required essay with the attached Osher Reentry Scholarship Application.

In a 300-word essay, please:

- Highlight personal achievements using examples from family, work, community, or school.
- Explain your reason(s) for stopping your education and reason(s) for returning to complete your undergraduate degree.
- State your future goals, and how the scholarship will help you attain these goals.

#### **Please Note:**

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Scholarship funds can only be used to pay for tuition (online programs are ineligible). Students who have been awarded a Scholarship for Community College Graduates are ineligible to apply.



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Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Boston University Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a United States citizen or permanent resident?  Yes  No

Telephone: Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please circle preferred contact number.)

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Have you started the application process for an undergraduate degree program at Metropolitan College?  Yes  No

Have you been accepted?  Yes  No

Have you completed the FAFSA?  Yes  No

Do you or will you receive funding from an outside source toward your education?  Yes  No  
(If yes, please explain on the back of this application.)

How did you learn about this scholarship opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

### SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT AND CHECKLIST

- The required essay is included with this scholarship application.
- My application for admission to a Metropolitan College undergraduate degree program has been submitted.
- I give permission to Boston University Metropolitan College to release my name, scholarship information, biographical information, and course of study to the donor and the review committee. If selected as an Osher Reentry Scholar, such information may also be released for the purposes of promotion of the Osher Reentry Scholarship Fund and my name may be listed in Boston University websites, newsletters, and other media.
- If awarded an Osher Reentry Scholarship, Osher Reentry Scholars must attend an orientation program, participate in a focus group to discuss their experiences as a reentry student, and make recommendations for improvement of the program.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(MM/DD/YYYY)

Applications can be mailed, faxed, or brought to:

**Boston University Metropolitan College  
Undergraduate Student Services  
755 Commonwealth Avenue, Room 102  
Boston, MA 02215  
Fax: 617-353-4190**

Questions? Please call 617-353-2980 or e-mail metuss@bu.edu.