Navigating Research at BU
Find funding

Write a successful proposal

Manage deadlines

Conduct research

Comply with regulations

Share results

We’re here to help.
Office of the Vice President and Associate Provost for Research

Our task: keep research running smoothly
- Administering
- Managing
- Coordinating initiatives
- Creating policies

Our mission: facilitate and support your work
- Represent BU to government, industry, and foundations
- Share and promote your work
  - Research on Tap (bu.edu/research/researchontap)
- Organize workshops to bring new knowledge and understanding and develop research skills (bu.edu/research/events)

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Our offices include:
Sponsored Programs

Primary role: facilitate proposal submission and award acceptance

Your Department Administrator will help you develop a proposal; our office will then:

• Review and submit proposals and ensure their compliance with sponsor requirements and BU policies
• Review and accept awards and issue outgoing subcontracts
• Negotiate a variety of industry agreements, including:
  • Clinical Trials | Research Agreements | Data Use Confidentiality/Non-Disclosure | Incoming Material Transfer Agreements
• Set-up awards and create accounts
• Address all non-financial post award management needs
  • Progress reports, no-cost extensions, closeouts, etc.
• Deliver University reporting, analytics, trending, and productivity

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Post Award Financial Operations

We provide seamless processes from pre-award to post-award activities while ensuring compliance and consistency with overall fiscal management.

Our responsibilities include:

• Salary certification
• Cost transfers
• Subrecipient monitoring
• Billing and accounts receivable
• Submission of financial reports
• External audits (Uniform Guidance/A-133, Agency reviews)
• F&A and fringe rate negotiations
• Service center rate development

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Research Compliance

Facilitating research: customer-service focus

• **Research Integrity & Assurance**
  • Conflicts of interest
  • Export controls
  • Safety committees
    • Biological, Radiation, Laboratory Safety, Scientific Diving & Boating
  • Animal welfare
  • Research misconduct

• **Environmental Health & Safety**
  • Research/laboratory safety
  • Campus & clinical safety
  • Environmental management
  • Radiation safety/medical physics

• **Human Subjects Research Protections**
  • 2 separate offices: Biomedical and Social/Behavioral

• **Laboratory Animal Science Center**

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Technology Development

Primary Services:
- Intellectual Property Protection (e.g. patents)
- Licensing Agreements and Royalty Collection/Distribution
- Support Agreements (outgoing MTAs, CDAs)
- Ignition Award Program

Supporting Services:
- IP terms in sponsored research agreements
- Consult with faculty/students on start-up company formation
- Lecture in classes/lab groups on Intellectual Property
- Stewards of the Patent Policies
- General support on all IP related matters

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Professional Development & Postdoctoral Affairs

“Go-to” office for postdocs at BU: provide services and resources for postdocs, faculty mentors, and departments

- **Professional Development** – building skills
- **Advising** – working with postdocs and faculty one-on-one
- **Data** – managing information about our postdocs
- **Policy** – creating equity and maintaining a competitive training environment

Upcoming events:

- **Managing Research Staff Workshop** (for faculty) – October 23, 12-1:30 pm on Charles River Campus
And we don’t work alone.
Federal Relations

Your eyes and ears in Washington, DC

- **Identifies** federal funding trends and connects you with federal funding opportunities
- **Advocates** for BU’s priorities as the federal government considers policies affecting research universities
- **Shares** BU’s expertise with policymakers and **increases** our visibility at the national level

Jennifer Grodsky
VP for Federal Relations

[www.bu.edu/federal](http://www.bu.edu/federal)
Twitter: @BUFederal
Corporate Relations

We work in collaboration with faculty and staff to build strategic, mutually effective partnerships with industry.

We identify opportunities for corporate partners to support research, curriculum development, program development, thought leadership, and other collaborations.

We can help:
• Facilitate introductions to corporate contacts
• Organize campus site visits
• Conceptualize and frame models for corporate engagement
• Consult on how to approach corporate partners
• Offer educational and training opportunities on campus

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Foundation Relations

What we do:
• Identify prospective funders
• Learn what funders want and how they make decisions
• Coordinate funder relations across BU
• Work with Sponsored Programs to submit pre-proposals and full proposals

Who we are:
• 8 team members, located on CRC and BUMC
• Part of Development & Alumni Relations

What you can do:
• Talk to George Kosar, Director: kosar@bu.edu
• Check out resources on our website

www.bu.edu/foundations
Library Services for Faculty

Teaching, Learning, and Research Services | bu.edu/library
- Consulting with subject liaisons
- Instructing students
- Building collections

Digital Scholarship Services | bu.edu/disc
- Consulting, training, conversation
- Doing digital humanities and social sciences work
- Complying with BU's opt-out open access policy

Data Services | bu.edu/data
- Writing funder-compliant data management plans
- Using the Open Science Framework
- Providing data management solutions
Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

Connects faculty mentors and student researchers

- Promotes student research in all disciplines across the University
- Provides funding & support to ~500 students annually
- Supports through stipends, travel, and supplies awards
- Organizes annual fall symposium to showcase student research

Stipend & supplies application deadlines:

- Fall: September 13, 2017
- Spring: December 4, 2017
- Summer: March 1, 2018
  (travel awards accepted on a rolling basis)

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The Office of the Ombuds is

- A safe place for confidential help and off-the-record conversations

We are here to

- Listen to your concerns
- Help you develop options and find solutions
- Help you manage conflict, challenging situations, and difficult conversations

Confidential • Independent • Impartial • Informal and off-the-record
Sourcing & Procurement
Better Prices, Better Service, Better Quality

Utilize Sourcing & Procurement to help achieve your department’s mission

Gain insight into your spend
What you buy
How you buy
From whom you buy
Who is buying

Identify new savings opportunities
Spend off contract
Swap opportunities
Best practices
Saving programs

Find new/better suppliers
Price discovery
RFP/RFQ/Reverse Auction
Contracting/Negotiations
Implementation

Understand your supplier market
Market research
Category expertise
Peer benchmarks

Manage your suppliers
Supplier performance review
Service level standards
Strategic partnership development
IS&T Research Computing Services (RCS)

Enabling Research Through Computing

- **Shared Computing Cluster (SCC)**
  - Shared resources supported by University investment.
  - Researcher partnership through the Buy-in program.

- **Consulting and Programming Services**
  - Porting, optimization, and scaling of codes.
  - Workflow design
  - Visualization

- **Training Services**
  - General and customized hands-on trainings throughout the year.
  - Topics include: data analysis, statistical computing, programming, and more.

- **Access to Regional and National computing resources**

**BY THE NUMBERS**

The SCC supports:
- 2,100 researchers
- 600 projects
- 80 departments/centers

The SCC comprises:
- 12,400 CPU cores
- 200,000 GPU cores
- 3.5 PB of storage
- 600 software packages

In the past year, researchers computed over 40 million core hours on the SCC.

web: rcs.bu.edu
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Events & Conferences

Event coordination services
- Support BU faculty and staff in hosting events and conferences
- Reduced facility fee
- Coordination of on-campus logistics

Registration and website services
- Customized online registration and event website services
- Reports, nametags, and meeting materials
- On-site staff check-in

www.meetatbu.com
Photos, floorplans, and capacity information for all major event facilities on campus

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We work hard to share your findings:
Public Relations and Social Media

Whether you’re looking to promote your research, a new initiative, or event, or are preparing for a media interview, BU PR and Social Media is here to help.

Our services:
- Connecting media and faculty expertise
- Media training
- Op-Ed placement
- Social media strategy
  - Building your brand online, Facebook Live broadcasts, Reddit AMAs
- Digital Influencer Research and Outreach
  - Futurity.org, NSF’s Science 360, @BUExperts, funding agencies and more

Our resources:
- Broadcast studio
  - Live or taped TV & radio interviews
- Faculty experts directory | bu.edu/experts
  - Resource for reporters looking for experts
  - Searchable by keyword or name

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Research Communications

Showcasing our work
Building our reputation

bu.edu/research | broad audience, editorial
bu.edu/researchsupport | internal audience; go-to resource for all things research

Research newsletter | editorial-focused
BU community & external (sign up)

Research Revealed newsletter | operational
BU community
Thank you!