Boston University School of Social Work

Financial Aid Award Appeals

Boston University School of Social Work commits significant funding to scholarship support each year. In determining awards, we make every effort to make the most competitive scholarship offer possible given our strong applicant pool and budgetary considerations. Scholarship awards for incoming students are based on a combination of factors taken from the admissions application and rated by the faculty readers. Those factors include merit/academic performance, experience, recommendations, personal statement, and diversity.

We realize that a graduate education is a major investment and scholarship funding is often a significant factor in determining which social work school to attend. If you have been admitted to the Boston University School of Social Work and finances are a concern, we invite you to submit a request for award reconsideration. We do not automatically match scholarship offers from other social work schools, but we will consider the factors that are prompting your request and determine if any additional funding is available. The number of appeals that we are able to grant varies from year to year based on the applicant pool and available budget.

To request award reconsideration, please submit a written request by email to **sswfa@bu.edu** and provide the following information:

1. What factors would you like us to consider in reviewing your request for scholarship support?

2. If scholarship offers from other social work schools are prompting your request, please provide details regarding those offers and attach a copy of the award letter(s).

You will be notified of a decision within 5 business days.

Please note: Through this financial aid award appeal process, the Boston University School of Social Work Financial Aid Office only considers appeals from admitted applicants prior to Fall 2018 registration at the Boston University School of Social Work.