

First Generation Student Newsletter

February 2015

Upcoming Events

- [Spring Career Expo](#): February 11th from 10:30am-3:30pm at GSU, Metcalf Hall
- [Black Votes Matter with Civil Rights Icon Bob Moses](#): February 12th from 6-7 p.m. at the Museum of African American History National Voting Rights Museum, 46 Joy Street, Beacon Hill
- [Financial Literacy and Planning](#): February 19th from 5-6 p.m. at 100 Bay State Road, Room 101.
- [Abolitionist Chapel Today](#): February 22nd from 12:30-2:00pm in Marsh Chapel

Important Dates

- [February 2](#)
Last day to add classes
- [February 16](#)
Holiday, courses suspended
- [February 20](#)
Deadline to find a work-study job for the spring
- [February 24](#)
Last day to drop standard courses without a 'W' grade

Have a question or problem you need help resolving?

Visit us! **University Service Center**
881 Commonwealth Avenue, lower level
Call us! (617) 358-1818
E-mail us! usc@bu.edu
Website: <http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1>



BU takes over the Oscars

Congratulations to all the BU alums who were nominated for Oscars this year, including:

Julianne Moore (CFA'83) for Best Actress in a Leading Role in "Still Alice"

Nora Grossman (COM'05), producer of "The Imitation Game," up for Best Picture and

Bonnie Arnold (COM'78), producer of "How To Train Your Dragon 2," up for Best Animated Feature Film. Check out their work along with COM's panel about [women who have succeeded in media and advertising](#) on Wednesday, February 11 at 6 pm.

First Gen Student Spotlight

Read about our spotlighted student-volunteer, Helen Guan, by visiting our [website](#)! We're looking for first gen students to feature in upcoming months, so please email Salome at uscgradi@bu.edu if you'd like to volunteer at First Gen Connect or to be featured in our monthly spotlight.

Visit the USC's [website](#) for events and workshops happening this month around campus!

Like the [USC's First Gen Facebook page](#) to stay up-to-date on USC news, information, and events.

Welcome Incoming Spring'15 Students!

Incoming spring students, whether transfers or first semester freshmen, often have to adjust to new class and campus size, academic rigor, and seemingly established institutional or social culture. For these students, establishing relationships with peers, faculty, and alumni can go a long way to better adapt to the new environment.

Students – among the most important people who will influence your college and post-grad life will be your professors! Apart from being a wealth of knowledge, they may nominate you for scholarships or ask you to be part of their research. They may write your recommendations for graduate schools and jobs, or become your friends for life. Social learning and experiences are integral parts of college life. Learning to handle yourself in social situations gives you problem-solving skills, the ability to compromise and to experience working together. Making social contacts and developing solid networking and sharp interviewing skills through the Center for Career Development will help you connect with peers and colleagues, and learn about advances in your field of study. With its 450+ student organizations, the Student Activities Office will further help you find students who share your interests—or get the ball rolling to create a new group. Welcome, be proactive and stay involved in the rich campus life!