



## The University Service Center's

# First Gen Connect Newsletter

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## Getting involved at BU

Whether you're just taking on responsibility in a student club or are an experienced leader, there's always something to learn and always a position that can expose you to new perspectives, teach new skills and bring you to a better understanding of yourself. There's a plethora of leadership and community service opportunities here at BU, so take your pick!

1. **Community Service Center** – the CSC offers many opportunities to BU students to make a difference in the Greater Boston Area, including numerous one-time events and 14 service programs, such as Alternative Spring Break (ASB). If you're interested in gaining international experience, check CSC's [website](#) for volunteer abroad options.
2. **Student Employment Office**- The Student Employment office staff is always available to assist you with your job search process. Explore the Job Board and Quickie jobs to work on- or off- campus.
3. **Residence Life**- Juniors and Seniors, consider being a Resident Assistant. RA's graduate with great leadership experience and the perk of earning a scholarship towards room and board costs. Information about the Round 2 application cycle will be posted November 1 on their website.
4. **Educational Resource Center**- Help fellow students stay on top of course material and teach organization and study skills. Apply to be a [Peer Tutor](#) or [Student Ambassador](#).
5. **Orientation**- Orientation staff welcomes incoming students and their families to BU and assists with their transition to the university. Explore the opportunities to be a [Program Advisor](#), [Student Advisor](#) or [International Peer Mentor](#). Applications available now through the end of January.
6. **Center for Career Development**- Become a Student Ambassador for the CRC and provide invaluable career advice. SAs are enthusiastic about providing their peers with the knowledge and tools to support academic and career related success. Spring 2016 applications open in October 2015.
7. **Student Activities Group Search** - With more than 450 student groups on campus, it's easy to find people who share your interests. Use the Search tool and you'll find groups ranging from community service and performance troupes to multicultural and athletic clubs. Find your niche!

## Participate in Research

Academic research on the first gen experience helps high schools and colleges create access and learning opportunities in the community and improve services. [Participate in this research](#) and let your voice be heard.

## Yawkey non-profit internship program

BU's [Yawkey Nonprofit Internship Program](#) is a selective educational program designed for sophomores and juniors that provides a living allowance stipend to support participation in unpaid internships at nonprofit organizations. Apply by November 9<sup>th</sup> for Spring 2016



## Spotlight

Check out our October spotlight- [Ergeta Muca \(CAS '17\)](#)

## First Gen Connect Student Leadership Panel & Networking Event

Want to get more involved on campus, but need a place to start? Current student leaders discuss their journey, why their roles are important to them, and the challenges, responsibilities, and benefits of their jobs.

Networking reception to follow with panelists and first gen student leaders

October 29, 4pm – Yawkey Center, Rm 101

### October 8

First Gen Connect – Study Skills & Time Management Workshop  
6pm – 100 Bay State Road, Room 101

### October 9

[Career Directions Workshop](#)

### October 13

Columbus Day Holiday - No Classes

### October 14

[Fall Career Fair](#)

### October 17-19

Parents Weekend

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Have a question or problem? Contact us!  
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Visit our [website](#) for events and workshops happening this academic year!