

# COLLEGE OF GENERAL STUDIES FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE TIMELINE

Note: this timeline provides an overall sense of dates and deadlines. More information will be rolled out via email and will be also posted on your [class page](#).

SPRING SEMESTER IN BOSTON PREPARATION ITEMS		SUMMER SEMESTER IN LONDON OR NEW ENGLAND PREPARATION ITEMS
MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Accept Financial Assistance Awards and submit tax documents needed to finalize awards (if applicable)</li><li>Set up your BU email account</li><li>Provide <a href="#">BU Alert</a> emergency notification system contact info</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review the <a href="#">London Semester FAQs</a> for information on housing, group flights, and more</li></ul>
JUNE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Request proof of graduation (final transcript) from your high school</li><li>Submit your <a href="#">Advanced Placement and/or International Baccalaureate scores</a>, if applicable</li><li>Connect with your CGS academic advisor to discuss fall plans</li></ul>	
JULY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If not yet done, speak with CGS academic advisor about fall plans</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Apply for or renew your passport</li></ul>
AUGUST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If not yet done, speak with CGS academic advisor about fall plans</li></ul>	
SEPTEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Post on social media</a> with #My100Days to share how you're spending the gap semester</li></ul>	
OCTOBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Schedule an appointment with your CGS academic advisor to discuss spring courses and registration process</li><li>Visit <a href="#">Student Accounting</a> for details on the Tuition Payment Plan, including details about ShareLink and Disclosure options</li><li>Submit <a href="#">health forms and Certificate of Immunization</a> to Student Health Services</li></ul>	
NOVEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Register for spring term classes</li><li>Enroll in or waive BU medical insurance</li><li>Complete the New Student Housing Application</li><li>Receive details for Spring Orientation</li><li>If not yet complete, submit <a href="#">health forms and Certificate of Immunization</a> online</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Summer term London dates confirmed</li></ul>
DECEMBER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Student Activities Office</a> announces Week of Welcome events</li><li>Complete Part 1 of <a href="#">AlcoholEdu</a> and <a href="#">Sexual Assault Prevention</a> requirements</li><li>Review BU community standards</li><li>Visit <a href="#">MyBU Student Portal</a> to review the New Student Checklist</li></ul>	
JANUARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Attend <a href="#">Spring Orientation</a>: Jan. 15-17</li><li>Housing assignments announced</li><li>Deadline to complete Part 1 of <a href="#">AlcoholEdu</a> and <a href="#">Sexual Assault Prevention</a> requirements</li><li>Move-in date: Jan. 15 (More information <a href="#">here</a>)</li><li>Check your compliance status in the <a href="#">MyBU Student Portal</a></li><li>Attend the student activities fair and find activities to join through the <a href="#">Student Activities Office</a></li><li>Attend CGS welcome events</li><li>Classes begin: January 20, 2026</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><a href="#">Financial Assistance</a> information reminder, if applicable</li><li>Deadlines announced for: Program Refunds, if applicable; Withdrawals/Leaves of Absence, if applicable</li></ul>
FEBRUARY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Complete Part 2 of <a href="#">AlcoholEdu</a> and <a href="#">Sexual Assault Prevention</a> requirements</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review the London pre-departure page from Study Abroad and collect London pre-departure documents</li><li>Summer payment plan information becomes available</li><li>Group flight details become available</li><li>Deadline for obtaining or renewing passport</li><li>Deadline to book group flight (Summer 1)</li></ul>
MARCH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>London pre-departure documents due March 15</li><li>Deadline to book group flight (Summer 2)</li><li>Deadline to submit London housing preferences</li></ul>
APRIL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deadline to submit arrival information and upload passport to the London personal page</li><li>Deadline to complete independent flight form, if applicable</li><li>London room assignments announced</li><li>Review the Study Abroad pre-departure page for details on program travel, orientation, housing, living in London, social events, health and emergency information</li><li>Attend mandatory pre-departure meetings to review London arrival, housing, academic logistics</li><li>Abroad health insurance information becomes available</li></ul>
MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>NOTE: All listed summer dates are from 2025 as a reference point, 2026 dates TBD</b></li><li>Summer 1 students: Arrive in London May 18</li><li>Summer 1 students: London Orientation May 19</li><li>Summer 1 classes begin: May 20</li></ul>
JUNE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Deadline to withdraw or request leave of absence</li><li>Summer 1 students: Last day of semester June 27</li><li>Summer 1 students: Depart London June 28</li><li>Summer 2 students: Arrive in London June 29</li><li>Summer 2 students: London Orientation June 30</li></ul>
JULY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Summer 2 classes begin: July 1</li></ul>
AUGUST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>N/A</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Summer 2 students: Last day of semester August 8</li><li>Summer 2 students: Depart London August 9</li></ul>

Last revised: 5/5/25 *\*Information and dates in this calendar are subject to change.*