

2026 \$20K Student Wellbeing Innovation Competition- Semi-Finalists

Finalists are highlighted below.

	Submission Name	Concept	Submitter(s)
1	Wellbeing Heatmap	This is a real-time campus wellbeing heatmap where students post geo-tagged moments (photos + hashtags) about academic, social, and environmental experiences, creating a living map of campus life.	Xiaoqing Ye, Questrom Graduate Student
2	Anchor	A mobile app that helps BU students find welcoming social, study, and wellness spaces on and around campus, supporting mental well-being and reducing isolation.	Fatoumata Traore, SHA Undergraduate Mercy Appiah, COM Undergraduate
3	BU Brought to You!	"BU Brought to You!" addresses loneliness experienced by off-campus students by hosting social-wellbeing events closer to where interested students live, such as local libraries or coffee shops.	Sarah Keating, Grace Dolan & Kristin Hudson, SPH Graduate Students
4	CityQuest	CityQuest BU is a student-led initiative that helps BU students make friends through low-pressure, small-group outings to Boston's cafés, cultural spots, and other local venues.	Pranavi Thota, SPH Graduate Student
5	SkillSwap	SkillSwap is a peer-to-peer platform where people can exchange skills without money - for example, teaching someone guitar in exchange for learning photography from them	Srikanth Reddy Gondireddy & Lakshmi Girija, GRS Alum
6	CommonGround	CommonGround is a simple digital toolkit that helps BU roommates set healthy boundaries, resolve conflicts respectfully, and maintain positive shared living environments through guided support.	Ana Balaci & Dannar Zharkyn, ENG Graduate Students
7	MatchPatch	This project pairs parenting students together to create a supporting buddy system (Match) and creates a platform for parenting students to connect, communicate, and share resources (Patch).	Suchakrey Koomplee, SSW Graduate Student
8	TerrierFit	TerrierFit is an app that connects BU students who want to work out or play sports together, reducing gym anxiety while making physical activity more social, accessible, and easy to organize on campus	Dannar Zharkyn & Ana Balaci, ENG Graduate Students
9	BU Integration Lab	The BU Integration Lab is a student-led hub where international BU students form small cohorts to connect, navigate campus life and daily transitions, & build a lasting, supportive community together.	Maryjoy Gerald, Sam Amoako-Kusi, & Feven Lencha, SPH Graduate Students
10	BUcketlist	Inspired by the program "Timeleft", BUcketlist is an initiative built for the BU community. Students will fill out a questionnaire and be sent on a surprise outing with 5 others they are matched with.	Baiden Wright, SHA Graduate Student