



PROJECT-BASED LEARNING AT ITS BEST

Projects are proposed by community partners from many sources including faculty, staff, alumni, entrepreneurs, and non-profits. An interdisciplinary team of approximately 5 students addresses a substantial problem and produces a tangible product (physical object, film, podcast, website, work of art, essay, etc.). 2 faculty members supervise each team to ensure that the 4 Hub requirements are completed throughout the development of the project.



4 HUB REQUIREMENTS

-  CREATIVITY / INNOVATION
-  COMMUNICATION*
*Specific area varies by course
-  RESEARCH and INFORMATION LITERACY
-  TEAMWORK / COLLABORATION



AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR RISING JUNIORS AND SENIORS

AT THE CROSSROADS OF THEORY AND PRACTICE

The BU Cross-College Challenge (XCC) is a distinctive one-semester, 4-credit elective course open to juniors and seniors from all undergraduate schools and colleges and a rare opportunity to meet students from across the campus.

XCC offers unique project-based courses in which student teams from across BU's undergraduate colleges tackle real-world problems and develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills prized by employers. Students from any major collaborate with community partners to explore challenges impacting BU and the City of Boston in areas such as:

- data science
- public health
- racial equity & social justice
- sustainability & climate change

MORE INFORMATION AT:

bu.edu/xcc

FALL 2023 SECTIONS

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TRUTH IN ACTION

Justice Media Computational Journalism Co-lab

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DS4G

Data Science For Good

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BACK TO THE PAST

HUB XC 410 CI
Gaming and Design for Immersive Role Play

KATHRYN LAMONTAGNE AND MARIA GAPOTCHENKO

HUB UNITS: CRI, RIL, TWC, WIN

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A STORY ON EVERY STREET

HUB XC 420 AI
Exploring Walkability In Boston

TOM ANASTASI AND CARRIE BENNET

HUB UNITS: CRI, DME, RIL, TWC

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ENVIRONMENTAL EQUALITY

HUB XC 433 AI
Assessing & Improving Urban Tree Canopies

SAL GENOVESE AND JOELLE RENSTROM

HUB UNITS: CRI, OSC, RIL, TWC

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CROSS-CULTURAL STORYTELLING

HUB XC 433 BI
Spirit of Wonder

CHRISTIANE KADEN AND KIM SHUOKRA

HUB UNITS: CRI, DME, RIL, TWC

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HIGH STAKES

HUB XC 433 CI
Marketing and Social Equity in the Cannabis Industry

BETH BLUMENTHAL AND JONATHAN HIBBARD

HUB UNITS: CRI, OSC, RIL, TWC

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Spark! Innovation Fellowship

TECHNOLOGY & DESIGN

HUB UNITS: CRI, OSC, RIL, TWC