


# Parent & Family CALENDAR

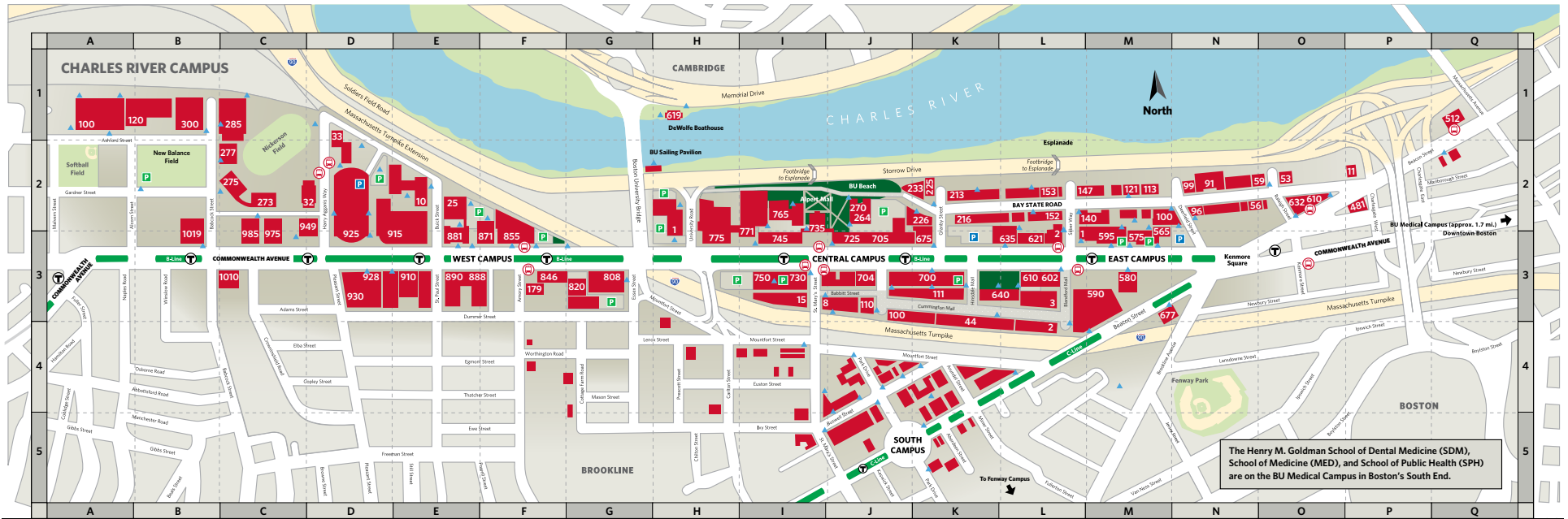
2020 – 2021

  
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 All dates are subject to change due to COVID-19, please check the Parent & Family Programs' website for the electronic version of this calendar for updates. Thank you.

# BOSTON UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP



The Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine (SDM), School of Medicine (MED), and School of Public Health (SPH) are on the BU Medical Campus in Boston's South End.

## SCHOOLS & COLLEGES      RESOURCES & SERVICES      CAMPUS LIFE      MAJOR RESIDENCES

- Arvind & Chandan Nandlal Kilachand Honors College** N2  
91 Bay State Rd.
- Boston University Academy (BUA)**, 1 University Rd. H2
- College and Graduate School of Arts & Sciences (CAS/GRS)** J2  
Administration (CAS), 725 Commonwealth Ave.  
Administration (GRS), 705 Commonwealth Ave.  
Anthropology Department, 232 Bay State Rd.  
Archaeology Department, 675 Commonwealth Ave.  
Astronomy Department, 275 Commonwealth Ave.  
Biology Department, 5 Cummington Mall  
Chemistry Department, 590 Commonwealth Ave.  
Classical Studies Department, 745 Commonwealth Ave.  
Computer Science Department, 111 Cummington Mall  
Earth & Environment Department, 685 Commonwealth Ave.  
Economics Department, 270 Bay State Rd.  
English Department, 236 Bay State Rd.  
History Department, 226 Bay State Rd.  
History of Art & Architecture Department, 725 Commonwealth Ave.  
Marine Program (BUMP), 5 Cummington Mall  
Mathematics & Statistics Department, 111 Cummington Mall  
Philosophy Department, 745 Commonwealth Ave.  
Physics Department, 590 Commonwealth Ave.  
Political Science Department, 232 Bay State Rd.  
Psychological & Brain Sciences Department, 64 Cummington Mall  
Religion Department, 145 Bay State Rd.  
Romance Studies Department, 718 Commonwealth Ave.  
Sociology Department, 96-100 Cummington Mall  
World Languages & Literatures Department, 745 Commonwealth Ave.
- College of Communication (COM)**, 640 Commonwealth Ave. K3

- College of Engineering (ENG)**  
Administration, 44 Cummington Mall  
Biomedical Engineering Department, 44 Cummington Mall  
Electrical & Computer Engineering Department, 8 St. Mary's St.  
Engineering Product Innovation Center (EPIC), 750 Commonwealth Ave.  
Materials Science & Engineering Division, 15 St. Mary's St.  
Mechanical Engineering Department, 110 Cummington Mall  
Systems Engineering Division, 15 St. Mary's St.
- College of Fine Arts (CFA)**, 855 Commonwealth Ave. F2  
CFA Production Center, 820 Commonwealth Ave.  
School of Music, 855 Commonwealth Ave.  
Musicology Department, 808 Commonwealth Ave.  
Opera Institute, 808 Commonwealth Ave.  
School of Theatre, 855 Commonwealth Ave.  
School of Visual Arts, 855 Commonwealth Ave.
- College of General Studies (CGS)**, 871 Commonwealth Ave. F2
- College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences:** L2  
**Sargent College**, 635 Commonwealth Ave.  
**Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies**, 121 Bay State Rd. M2  
**Metropolitan College (MET)**, 1010 Commonwealth Ave. C3  
Food & Wine/Gastronomy, 808 Commonwealth Ave.  
Summer Term, 755 Commonwealth Ave.
- Questrom School of Business** M2  
Ratik B. Haniri Building, 595 Commonwealth Ave.
- School of Hospitality Administration (SHA)**, 928 Commonwealth Ave. D3
- School of Law (LAW)**, 765 Commonwealth Ave. J2
- School of Social Work (SSW)**, 264 Bay State Rd. I2
- School of Theology (STH)**, 745 Commonwealth Ave. I2
- Wheelock College of Education & Human Development** L2  
2 Silber Way

- Alan & Sherry Leventhal Center**, 233 Bay State Rd. K3  
Admissions
- Barnes & Noble @ Boston University**, 910 Commonwealth Ave. E3
- Boston University Police**, 32 Harry Agganis Way D2
- Center for English Language & Orientation Programs (CELOP)** E3  
890 Commonwealth Ave.
- Dean of Students**, 775 Commonwealth Ave. H2
- Disability & Access Services**, 25 Buick St. E2
- Development & Alumni Relations** L2  
595 Commonwealth Ave. (West Entrance)
- Financial Assistance**, 881 Commonwealth Ave. E2
- Housing Office**, 25 Buick St. E2
- Information Services & Technology Help Center**, 179 Amory St. F3
- International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO)** E3  
888 Commonwealth Ave. (Entrance at back of building)
- President's Office**, Silber Way L2
- Registrar**, 881 Commonwealth Ave. E2
- Reserve Officer Training Corps** M2  
Air Force, 118 Bay State Rd.; Army, 128 Bay State Rd.; Naval, 116 Bay State Rd.
- Student Health Services**, 881 Commonwealth Ave. (West) E2
- Student Accounting Services**, 891 Commonwealth Ave. E2
- Yawkey Center for Student Services**, 100 Bay State Rd. M2  
Center for Career Development  
College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) Academic Advising Center  
College of Arts & Sciences (CAS) Writing Program  
Educational Resource Center

- Agganis Arena**, 925 Commonwealth Ave. D2
- BU Art Gallery at the Stone Gallery**, 855 Commonwealth Ave. F2
- BUILD Lab: IDG Capital Student Innovation Center** I3  
730 Commonwealth Ave.
- Case Athletic Center (Walter Brown Arena)**, 285 Babcock St. C1
- Center for Computing & Data Sciences** K3  
655 Commonwealth Ave. (future site)
- College of Fine Arts Concert Hall**, 855 Commonwealth Ave. F2
- Dahod Family Alumni Center in The Castle**, 225 Bay State Rd. K2
- Fitness & Recreation Center**, 915 Commonwealth Ave. D2
- George Sherman Union (GSU)**, 775 Commonwealth Ave. H2
- Gotlieb Archival Research Center**, 771 Commonwealth Ave. I2
- Howard Thurman Center**, 808 Commonwealth Ave. G3
- Joan & Edgar Booth Theatre**, 820 Commonwealth Ave. G3
- Marsh Chapel**, 735 Commonwealth Ave. I2
- Metcalf Science Center**, 590 Commonwealth Ave. M3
- New Balance Field**, 278 Babcock St. B2
- Nickerson Field**, Harry Agganis Way C2
- Photonics Center**, 8 St. Mary's St. E2 I3
- Rajon Kilachand Center for Integrated Life Sciences & Engineering**, 610 Commonwealth Ave. L3
- Rubin-Frankel Gallery at Hill House**, 213 Bay State Rd. K2
- Student Activities Center**, 1 University Rd. H2
- Tsak & Tennis Center**, 100 Ashford St. A1

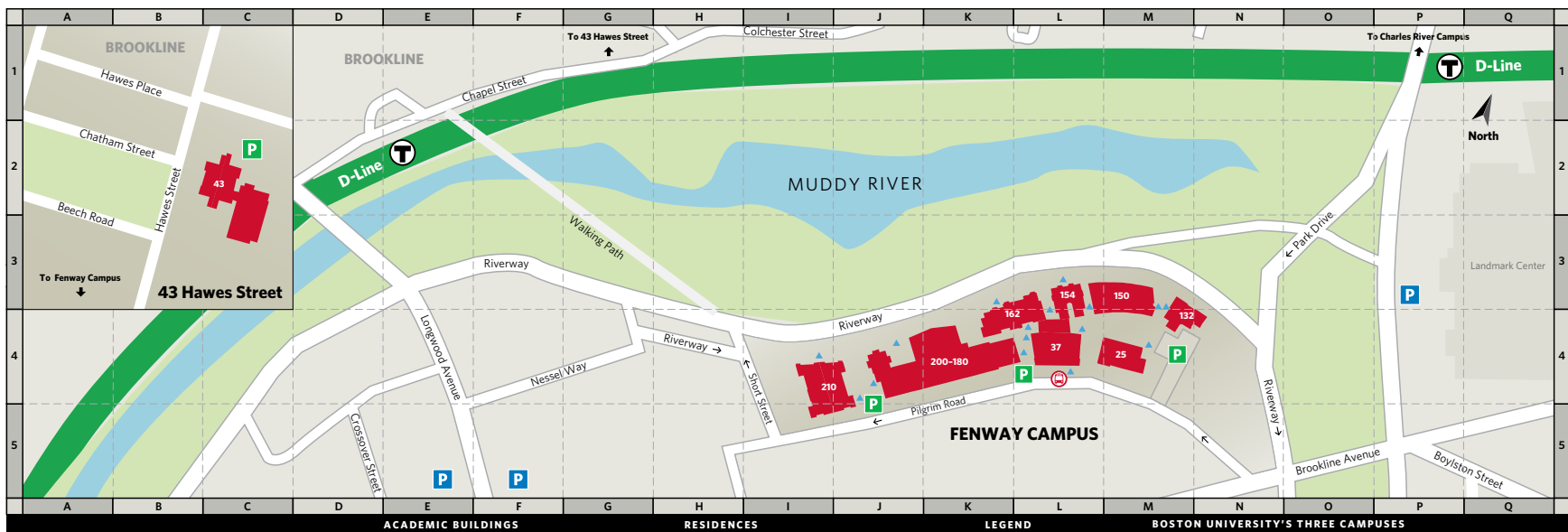
- 10 Buick Street (StuV1)** E2
- 33 Harry Agganis Way (StuV12)** D1
- 575 Commonwealth Avenue** M2
- 1019 Commonwealth Avenue** B2
- Danielsen Hall**, 512 Beacon St. Q1
- Kilachand Hall**, 91 Bay State Rd. H2
- Myles Standish Hall**, 610 Beacon St. O2
- South Campus** J4
- The Towers**, 140 Bay State Rd. M2
- Warren Towers**, 700 Commonwealth Ave. K3
- West Campus**, 273-277 Babcock St. C2

**LEGEND**

- BU Shuttle Bus Stops  
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- MBTA Green Line Public Transit Stops
- BU Parking
- Emergency Phones

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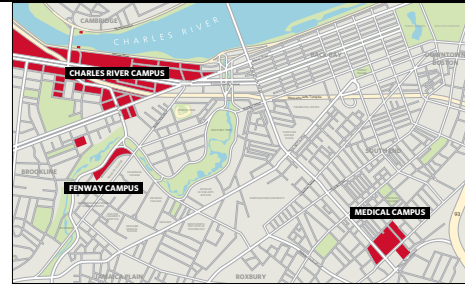
ACADEMIC BUILDINGS	
Activities East Building, 180 Riverway	K4
Activities West Building, 180 Riverway	K4
Classroom Building, 25 Pilgrim Road	M4
Earl Center for Learning & Innovation, 180 Riverway (East)	K4
George H. Wightman House, 43 Hawes Street	C2
Library, 132 Riverway	M4
Pilgrim Student Center, 37 Pilgrim Road	L4
Whelock Family Theatre, 200 Riverway	K4

RESIDENCES	
Campus Center & Student Residence, 150 Riverway	M3
Longwood House Residence Hall, 154 Riverway	L3
Peabody Residence Hall, 210 Riverway	L4
Pilgrim House Residence Hall, 37 Pilgrim Road	L4
Riverway House Residence Hall, 162 Riverway	K4

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# WELCOME BU FAMILY MEMBERS

## Dear BU Family Members,

Welcome to your student's next great adventure! Thank you to you and your student for choosing to join the Boston University community. We are excited to see the vibrancy the Class of 2024 and their peers bring to campus.

At the Dean of Students' Office, we are committed to being here for you and your student throughout your student's BU journey. We mentor and counsel, and promote an environment that encourages scholarly exchange and individual expression. Our

office is dedicated to providing a space that allows students to effectively engage in academic and intellectual work, community service, and other activities that enrich their time here.

As part of the Dean of Students' Office, Parent & Family Programs serves as a resource for you — no question is too big or too small — contact us if you need advice, some reassurance, or help navigating the University. We can be reached at (617) 358-1187 or at [parents@bu.edu](mailto:parents@bu.edu).

At Boston University we want parents, guardians, family members, and friends to be engaged with and well informed about the University. We encourage parents/guardians to visit our website, [www.bu.edu/parents](http://www.bu.edu/parents), and to follow us on Facebook and Instagram. We also invite parents/guardians to attend local receptions and we provide opportunities to volunteer on behalf of the University in your hometowns and on campus.

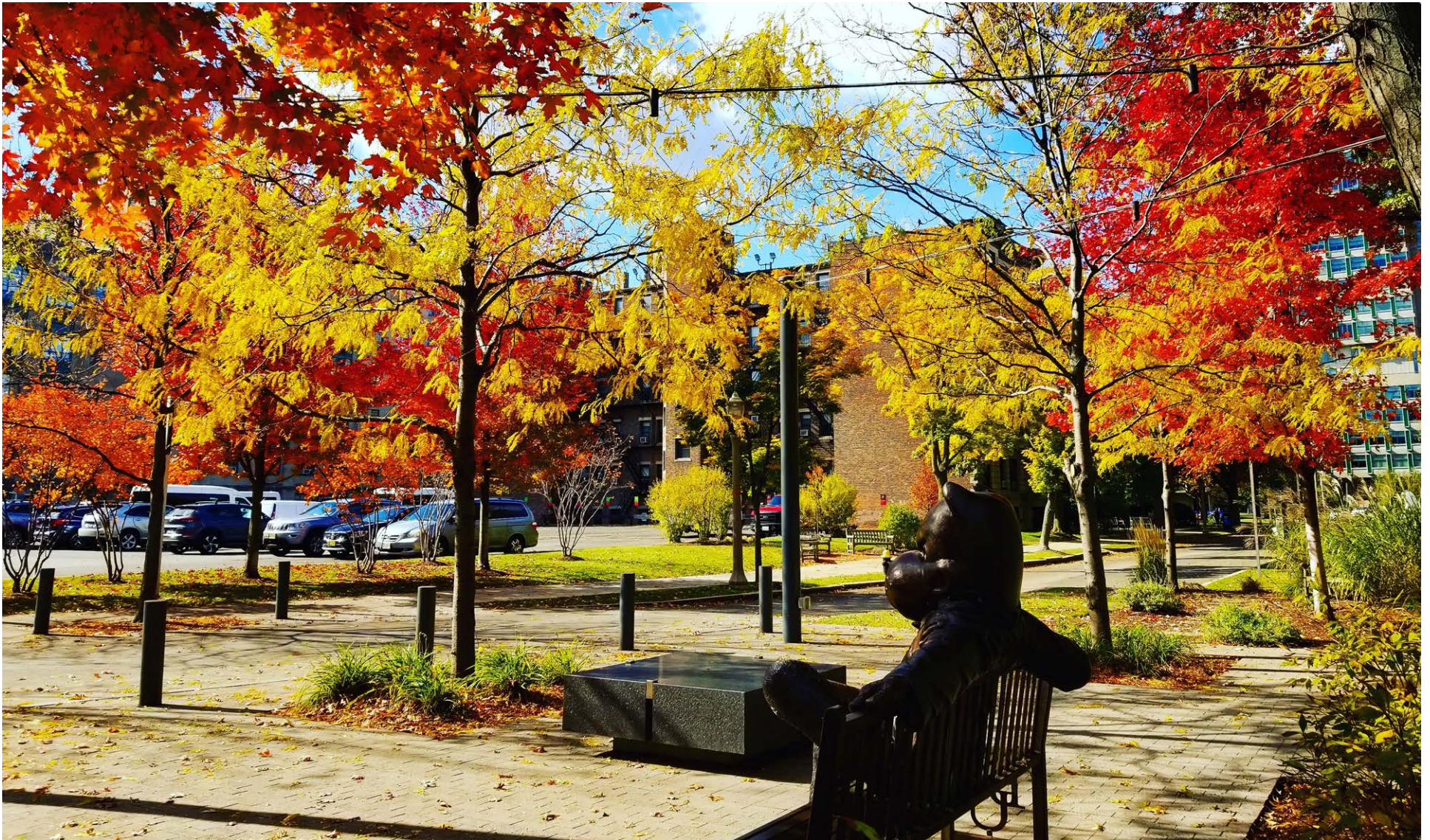
**Welcome to the BU family,**  
**Christy Olson Loring**  
 Director, Parent & Family Programs

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Have a question? Chances are we can help you find the answer. Take a look at these frequently asked questions from fellow BU parents/guardians.



## What is Matriculation?

New Student Matriculation is a ceremony in which President Brown and University staff and administrators officially welcome new students into the Boston University community.

## How does move-in work? Are there places to park and unload the car?

During move-in weekend the BU parking lots are open for free. There are some specific traffic rules that apply, but BUPD officers are available to direct traffic. Once on campus, students should go to their residence halls to sign a residence hall agreement form and receive their keys.

## Can I ship things to my student's residence hall?

You may ship items to your student's residence hall. However, packages will not be accepted before students move in. The UPS Store offers a ship-ahead program and can accept packages prior to move-in. Visit the UPS Store's Ship Ahead Service for details. [bu.edu/housing/services/storage](http://bu.edu/housing/services/storage)

## Where can we pick up the micro-fridge, TV, or electronic safe that we rented?

If a micro-fridge, TV, or safe has been rented it should already be in your student's room when you arrive. Please visit the Vending Services website for more information about ordering these items. [bu.edu/vending/rental-products](http://bu.edu/vending/rental-products)

## We're from out-of-state, is there somewhere near campus to buy dorm materials once we're in Boston?

The Boston University Bookstore, Barnes and Noble at Boston University, sells dorm essentials, and will even deliver items to on-campus residences. There is a Bed, Bath, & Beyond close to campus located at the Landmark Center. There are Target stores and a Marshalls in walking distance as well.

## Does BU offer storage for students' belongings during the summer?

The UPS Store Storage Program is the only Boston University endorsed storage and shipping vendor. Please visit their website for information and to sign up. [packstoreship.com](http://packstoreship.com)

## Is there a parent/guardian component to Orientation? Is it mandatory?

There is a Family Orientation program offered to parents/guardians of incoming students. It is not mandatory. However, many parents/guardians find it beneficial. There are plenty of opportunities for parents/guardians to interact with current students, faculty members, and administrators — giving them a chance to ask questions, learn more about the University community, and socialize. Visit the BU Orientation website for more information. [bu.edu/orientation2020](http://bu.edu/orientation2020)

## When is Family and Friends Weekend?

**October 16–18, 2020** \*Subject to change  
Family and Friends Weekend takes place on Friday, October 16–Sunday, October 18, 2020. [sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend](http://sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend)  
This is the same weekend as the Head of the Charles Regatta. Please visit the following website to learn more about the regatta: [hocr.org](http://hocr.org)

## Where can I view a schedule of Family and Friends Weekend events?

A schedule of Family and Friends Weekend events will be available to view once the fall semester is underway at [sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend](http://sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend). You can also find out details on how to register for Family and Friends Weekend and purchase tickets for specific events.

## Is housing offered for parents/guardians during Family and Friends Weekend? Where can I find a list of area hotels?

Housing is not offered for parents/guardians during Family and Friends Weekend because all the residence halls are occupied by students. We have arranged for discounted room blocks at a few Boston area hotels. The complete list of discounted room blocks is available at [sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend](http://sites.bu.edu/familyandfriendsweekend) or at [bu.edu/parentsprogram](http://bu.edu/parentsprogram).

## Where can I find tuition and billing information?

Student Accounting Services is responsible for billing students and processing payments. Their website provides information about payment deadlines, options, and plans. [bu.edu/studentaccountingservices](http://bu.edu/studentaccountingservices)

## Who should students contact if they are sick?

Students should contact Student Health Services. A student may use Student Health Services if they are:

- A full-time BU student, regardless of their insurance choice.
- A student who participates in at least 9 credit hours.
- Any student with the Student Health Insurance Plan.
- A summer student or a participant in one of the high school summer programs.

Appointments can be made through the Student Health Services website — or in case of an emergency a student should call (617) 353-2121. [bu.edu/shs](http://bu.edu/shs)

## May I see my student's grades?

Only through ShareLink access may you view your student's information. ShareLink provides secure access to parents, guardians, or employers whom a student has authorized to view the student's academic and financial information. The student must use the Student Link to sponsor a login account for each person who will have access. The student also specifies the information available to each party and controls the duration of access. [bu.edu/reg/students](http://bu.edu/reg/students)

## Can my student study abroad during their time at BU?

Yes! BU Study Abroad offers 90+ study abroad and academic internships in over 30 cities worldwide. We even have specialized programs for majors like Business, Painting, and STEM so that students can continue their degree progress seamlessly from abroad. Visit [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad) to learn more.



# AUGUST

## Here Comes Move-In!

Confirm your family's travel plans and the move-in date, time and procedure. Your student can coordinate with roommate(s) about what to bring to their assigned residence. The room will be small so it's a good idea not to over-shop — you can always buy/order necessary items later.

## Tips for Staying in Touch

Talk to your student ahead of time about how (and how often) you will communicate. Let them suggest a day of the week and time for a regular call or video chat. By making a communication plan, you'll be sure to touch base regularly while still giving your student space to adjust to their new routine.

## Finding a Place on Campus

Joining clubs, teams and organizations is a great way for students to make friends and build a connection to their new community. They can pursue existing interests or try something new. In general, engaged students are happier — and get better grades, too! Visit [www.bu.edu/studentactivities](http://www.bu.edu/studentactivities) to learn more.

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							BU Libraries: Mugar Library introduces new Access System (bring your BU ID)
2	3 Online order processing begins at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University	4	5	6	7	8	
9	10 FYSOP Program	11	12	13	14	15	August 15-31 Move-In Period (Students must adhere to their scheduled day and time)
16	17 Sign up for the HTC's Book Club	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	August 28-September 12 Fall Weeks of Welcome events
30	31	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>All dates are subject to change</i></p> <p>HTC = Howard Thurman Center for Common Ground *Community Conversations generally run an hour and will be scheduled within the time blocks noted above. Specific meeting times and locations will be announced by the RAs.</p>					

## Notes

# What would you like the power to do?

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# SEPTEMBER

## Adjusting to College-Level Work

College academics are a lot harder than high school and your student may struggle at first. Encourage them to attend every class and go to study/review sessions as well as their professors' office hours. The Educational Resource Center is a great resource.

## Keeping Peace with Roommates

Encourage your student to talk to their roommate(s) early to establish expectations about cleaning, guests, noise, etc. Communication and compromise will prevent minor conflicts from turning into bigger ones. It's also good to get to know the RA (Resident Assistant/Advisor) on their floor. RAs are there to help!

## How to Help a Homesick Student

- Remember that, even though it hurts, homesickness is normal. Settling in takes time.
- Be a sounding board – listen and ask questions.
- Don't panic over every call or text. Your student may just need to vent after a hard day.
- Encourage your student to check out residence hall and campus activities.



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1 TUE

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5 SAT

Last day to take a LOA or withdraw and receive a 100% tuition refund (including fees)

Classes begin  
**September 2-16** Last days to take a LOA or withdraw and receive an 80% tuition refund

Join the HTC's first Coffee & Conversation of the semester

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Labor Day, classes suspended

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Last day for textbook refunds without course drop at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University

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Official registration deadline for standard courses

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Fall Study Abroad Expo

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Peer Tutoring, Writing Assistance, and Language Link Programs begin

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Study Abroad spring semester programs application deadline (for some programs)

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Last day to add standard courses

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Last days to take a LOA or withdraw and receive a 60% tuition refund

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Last days to take a LOA or withdraw and receive a 40% tuition refund

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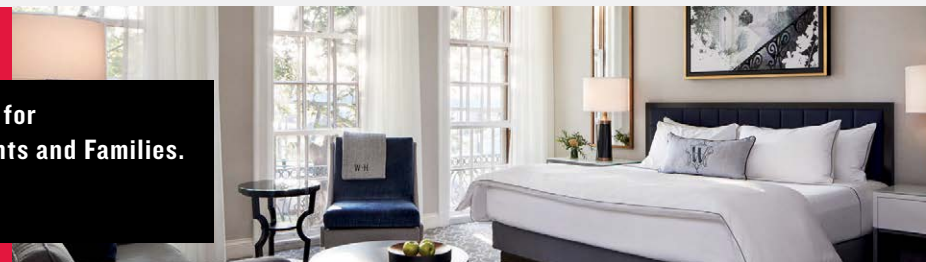
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# OCTOBER

## Finding a Healthy Routine

It's especially important in the Covid-19 era to have regular conversations with your student about health and wellness. Sleep is key and most students don't get enough. Regular exercise is also essential to physical and mental health and for managing stress. Remind your student to pile on the veggies in the dining hall, keep healthy snacks on hand, and steer clear of fast food and too much caffeine.

## Time to Renew Financial Aid

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is available after Oct. 1. Students renewing aid, or applying for the first time, must complete this each year. Find details (including important deadlines) on the Office of Financial Assistance website, [www.bu.edu/financialaid](http://www.bu.edu/financialaid).

## The Privacy of Student Records

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is why parents don't have automatic access to their college student's grades. Talk to your student about their academic goals. If you'd like to see their grades and your student agrees, your student may create a ShareLink account for you.

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Alumni Weekend

Last days to take a LOA or withdraw and receive a 20% tuition refund

FAFSA forms available for 2021/2022 Oct. 1 Study Abroad application deadlines for most spring programs

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Last day to drop a standard course without a "W" grade

Last day to take a LOA or withdraw and receive a 0% tuition refund

Last day for textbook refunds with course drop at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University

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Columbus Day, classes suspended

Substitute Monday schedule of classes

Family & Friends Weekend

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Fall University-Wide Career Fair

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HTC Presents: Trick or Treat Around the World

Study Abroad fall semester and academic year programs applications open

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Come learn more about Boston University's 100+ Study/Intern Abroad opportunities during Family & Friends Weekend October 17, 2020!





# NOVEMBER

## Midterm Reality Check

If your student's midterm exam grades were disappointing, their self-confidence may be shaken. Your response can affect whether they view a low grade as a sign of their ability ("I guess that's the best I can do") or useful information about what works and what doesn't, along with an opportunity to improve their study routine.

## Your Student's Academic Advisor

Students meet with their advisors once per term. In addition to course selection, advisors can help your student set long-term academic goals and stay on track to an on-time graduation. Your student should make the most of this important relationship!

## Countdown to Thanksgiving

Confirm travel plans (for winter break, too). In addition to sleeping in and seeing high school friends, your student will need to study over Thanksgiving since finals are around the corner. Revisit "house rules" to avoid conflict about curfew, car use, etc.

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Mid-year financial aid appeal deadline

Last day to drop standard courses (with a "W" grade)  
Last day for undergraduates to designate a course pass/fail

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Thanksgiving Recess

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Classes resume

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## Notes

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# DECEMBER

## Student Health Services

On top of Covid-19 concerns, winter challenges our immune systems as seasonal colds and the flu circulate. You and your student can visit the BU website to review health services available on campus. They should have a first aid kit with a thermometer and basic over-the-counter remedies, and know how to tell when an illness is serious enough to seek professional care.

## Powering Through Finals

You may not hear much from your student between Thanksgiving and winter break. Show your support by mailing a care package with healthy snacks, Vitamin C drops, something cozy to wear in cooler weather (fuzzy socks, a scarf or hat), and a note of love and encouragement.

## Next Year's Housing

Is your student reaching out to potential roommates? What's the timeline to apply for on-campus housing? If they will move off campus, what are the options? Be prepared to offer advice about conducting a safe and thorough off-campus housing search, reviewing the lease, etc.

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BU Libraries: Mugar Library open 24 hours

5 p.m. 24-hour quiet hours begin in residence  
Last day of classes  
Therapy dogs visit BU Libraries: Mugar Library

Study Period

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BU Libraries: Mugar Library 24 hours ends at 11 p.m.

Last day for textbook rental returns at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University

Residence dining service suspended after dinner

Final exams

Therapy dogs visit BU Libraries: Mugar Library

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\*All dormitory-style residences will be closed during Winter Intercession Recess. Students will have the option to apply for vacation housing.

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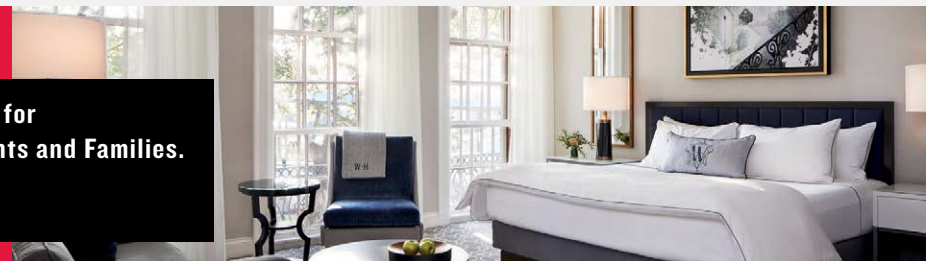
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# JANUARY

## **New Year's Resolutions**

Your student learned a lot about how to “do college” last fall. Now they can put these insights to good use. Help them recognize areas of strength they can build on and set some new goals: to join a club or team, go to faculty office hours more often, find a volunteer opportunity, visit the career center.

## **How's the Budget?**

Winter break is a good time to review your student's fall spending and tweak their budget. If their bank balance is low, they might consider applying for a campus job this term. In general, students who work part-time do better academically than those who don't.

## **Opportunities and Applications**

During the winter, information about RA (Resident Advisor) positions, study abroad, Undergraduate Research Opportunities (UROPs), orientation leader selection, summer internships and fellowships, and more become available. Encourage your student to keep their eyes open!



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3	4 Online order processing begins at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University	5	6	7	8	9		
10	11	12	13	14	15 <b>Winter Weeks of Welcome events</b> 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Move-In, new and continuing students	16 Residence dining service begins with dinner		
17	18 MLK Jr. Day Holiday 6:30–10 p.m. First Floor and House Meetings (Community Conversations)*	19 Classes begin	20	21	22	23		
24 Noon–4 p.m. Recommended Move-In, CGS January freshmen who participated in summer orientation	25 Last day for textbook refunds without course drop at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University	26	27	28	29	30		
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# FEBRUARY

## Tending to Mental Health

Sometimes the “winter blues” turn into Seasonal Affective Disorder. If your student is feeling low, encourage them to visit Behavioral Medicine. A light box or lamp, outdoor exercise, social interaction and healthy eating will help boost their mood.

## Spring Break Plans

There is still time to pull together an affordable backpacking or road trip, or to sign up for a service project. If your student will travel, ask them to share their itinerary and make sure they know how to protect their health and safety (especially important because of Covid-19; [cdc.gov/travel](https://www.cdc.gov/travel) has up-to-date information and tips). For students who choose to stay on campus for break, it's a great chance to explore the area.

## What's Your Major?

It's common for students to start college undecided, or to change majors once they get there. Choosing a major can be stressful. Remember that your student will be most successful if they study what they love. Encourage them to explore a variety of subject areas and take advantage of academic and career advising resources.

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Peer Tutoring, Writing Assistance, and Language Link Programs begin  
Men's Beanpot Semifinals

Women's Beanpot Semifinals

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Men's Beanpot Championship

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Spring University-Wide Career Fair  
4-6 p.m. Off-Campus Housing Fair\*

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Presidents' Day Holiday, classes suspended

Substitute Monday schedule of classes

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Nonprofit Fair

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\*Off-Campus Housing Fair Snow Date: February 17

## Notes



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# MARCH

## Internships and Summer Options

Summer internships expose students to careers they might (or might not) like and provide important hands-on experience. Encourage your student to research possibilities and apply. Summer can also be a chance to travel or study abroad, volunteer, take a class or two...even start their own business!

## Spring Break “Staycation”

In addition to catching up on sleep, there are a few practical things your student can do if they spend the week at home: apply for summer jobs, research scholarships, job shadow, get ahead on academic assignments, and file their taxes.

## Exploring Campus Career Services

The Center for Career Development is where your student can access online job and internship listings, connect with alumni mentors, attend resumé and interview workshops, and much more. Help your student prepare for job interviews by making sure they have a few pieces of professional clothing in their wardrobe.

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FAFSA priority deadline for returning students  
Study Abroad application deadlines for most summer programs

Spring Recess/Alternative Service Breaks

Residence dining service suspended after dinner\*\*

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Residence dining service begins with dinner\*

Study Abroad application deadlines for most fall and academic year programs  
Classes resume

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\*During Spring Break, The Union Court, in the George Sherman Union, will be open for dining.

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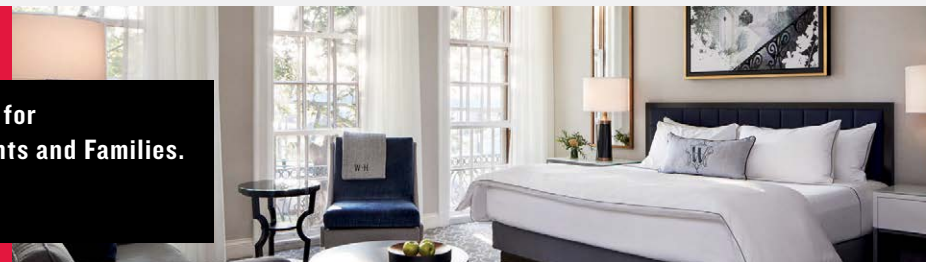
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# APRIL

## With a Plan, They Can Do It All

Encourage your student to use a calendar or spreadsheet to map out remaining projects/papers (breaking big things into smaller tasks). Half an hour of planning now will help them stay organized and avoid panic. And remind them that it's never too late to seek out help in classes where they're struggling.

## Reducing Stress During Finals

Whether it's tossing a frisbee or petting a therapy dog, brief mental breaks (15–20 minutes) improve performance on prolonged tasks like studying for exams. Your student should also continue to make time for their favorite exercise class, coffee with a friend, or any activity that helps them stay centered.

## Preparing to Move Out

Confirm your student's travel arrangements (plane, train, bus, driving itinerary). Will they ship or store belongings? If they have questions about move-out timing and expectations, they can ask their RA.

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Study Abroad spring semester programs applications open

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Patriots' Day Holiday/Boston Marathon, classes suspended

Substitute Monday schedule of classes

Last date for programs in residence

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5 p.m. 24-hour quiet hours begin in residence  
Last day of classes  
Therapy dogs visit BU Libraries: Mugar Library

**April 30–May 3** Study Period  
**April 30–May 7** BU Libraries: Mugar Library open 24 hours

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# MAY

## The Wrap-Up

- Is their fall course schedule finalized?
- Are housing arrangements in place?
- Can they sell old textbooks and buy used books for fall classes now?
- Have they lined up a campus job for next year?

## Saying Goodbye

Your student should make sure to read all school emails about year-end requirements (returning library materials, paying outstanding fees, etc.). Their room should be left clean with furniture returned to its original location. If you'll help at move-out, be prepared for it to take longer than you might expect; build in time for them to say goodbye to their friends.

## Welcome Home

You may notice that the person who moves back home isn't exactly the same one who left in the fall. This is a wonderful, more mature version of the child you've loved for so long. Enjoy getting to know one another again.



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9 Senior Week BU Libraries: Mugar Library Summer Hours begin Noon Residences close (except for degree candidates)	10	11	12	13 Commencement Weekend	14	15	
16 All-University Commencement	17 10 a.m. Residences close (degree candidates only)	18	19	20	21	22	
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# JUNE

## Your Family Reunited

Small things can make your student's return feel special: dinner at their favorite restaurant, new linens for their childhood bedroom, a family bonding activity like mini golf, a backyard BBQ with old friends and neighbors.

## Reentry Tips

It may take a while for your household to reestablish a comfortable routine. As you negotiate chores, food shopping and meals, car use and curfew, try to be flexible. Remember that your student has been managing life on their own. Encourage their independence by letting go — just a little.

## If They're Not Home This Summer

Plan a visit for later in the break after they've settled in at their job or internship. What if the position doesn't live up to their high hopes? Help them brainstorm solutions to their challenges; resist the urge to try to "fix things" for them.

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# JULY

## **Nurture a Growth Mindset**

When your student reflects on the past school year, listen for signs that they may have a “fixed mindset” about their abilities. If you hear “I’m just not good at...,” remind them of times they’ve persevered through a challenge and seen results. Praise their effort and learning, rather than the outcome (their grades).

## **Find Time for Money Lessons**

Sit down with your student to make a budget for the next school year (this is a good rainy day activity). Be clear about how much you expect them to contribute to their expenses. Are they ready for their own credit card? Explain the importance of keeping the account in good standing and help them research card options.

## **Summer Bucket List**

Everyone’s busy, but that doesn’t mean you can’t put a few fun things on the family calendar. Get tickets to a concert or sporting event, plan a camping or road trip, or set a fitness goal that you and your student can train toward together.

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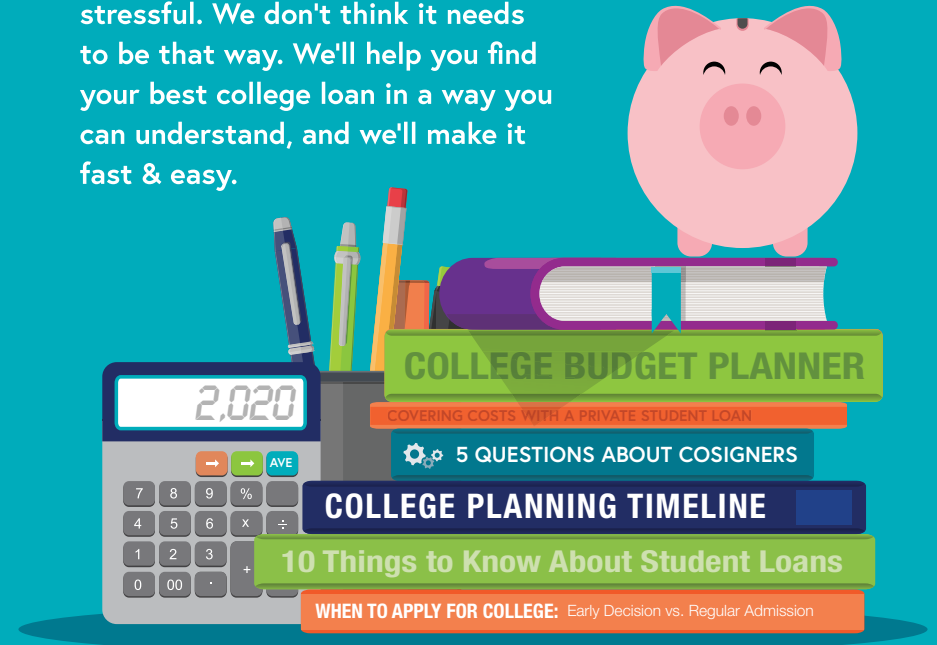
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# IMPORTANT DATES 2020–2021

<b>September 2</b>	Classes begin	<b>January 18</b>	MLK Jr. Day Holiday
<b>September 11</b>	Fall Study Abroad Expo	<b>January 19</b>	Classes begin
<b>September 14</b>	Peer Tutoring, Writing Assistance, and Language Link Programs begin	<b>February 10</b>	Spring University-Wide Career Fair
<b>October 1–4</b>	Alumni Weekend	<b>March 1</b>	FAFSA priority deadline for returning students
<b>October 1</b>	FAFSA Forms available for 2021/2022	<b>March 5–14</b>	Spring Recess/Alternative Service Breaks
<b>October 15, 6–9 p.m.</b>	Terrier Spirit Night at Barnes & Noble @ Boston University	<b>March 15</b>	Classes resume
<b>October 16–18</b>	Family & Friends Weekend	<b>April 19</b>	Patriots' Day Holiday/Boston Marathon, classes suspended
<b>October 21</b>	Fall University-Wide Career Fair	<b>April 29</b>	Last day of classes
<b>November 25–29</b>	Thanksgiving Recess	<b>May 8</b>	Final exams end
<b>November 30</b>	Classes resume	<b>May 9–13</b>	Senior Week
<b>December 10</b>	Last day of classes	<b>May 9, noon</b>	Residences close (except for degree candidates)
<b>December 19</b>	Final exams end	<b>May 13–16</b>	Commencement Weekend
<b>December 20, noon</b>	Residences close for Intercession*	<b>May 16</b>	All-University Commencement
<b>January 15, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.</b>	Move-In, new and continuing students	<b>May 17, 10 a.m.</b>	Residences close (degree candidates only)
<b>January 17, noon–4 p.m.</b>	Recommended Move-In, CGS January freshmen who participated in summer orientation		

*\*All dormitory-style residences will be closed during Winter Intersession Recess. Students will have the option to apply for vacation housing. | All dates subject to change.*