

Biostatistics PhD

SPH STUDENT GUIDE

Orientation

PhD students are strongly encouraged to attend an orientation at GRS, SPH, or both in addition to the program orientation. This is particularly important for international students. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.bu.edu/sph/students/getting-started-at-busph/orientation/>

Advising

PhD students are assigned academic advisors based on their research interests. For additional information including other advising and mentoring opportunities, please visit a [PhD Handbook](#) for your program.

Student Resources

PhD students are welcome to take part in a variety of resources to receive academic support and develop their leadership skills. For more information about academic resources and student organizations please visit

<https://www.bu.edu/sph/students/student-services/>

Networking

PhD students are encouraged to build connections across BUSPH as well as through professional associations. For tips on developing a networking plan, using LinkedIn and other social media, and developing your "elevator pitch", please meet with Marie Daniel, Assistant Director of Career Advising & Relationship Management, at mariemda@bu.edu.

Career Resources

The Career & Practicum Office provides an online [Career Library](#) (broken down by function/discipline), career advising, CV and cover letter reviews, professional development workshops, mock interviews, networking advice, and help with salary negotiation. To make an appointment, email Marie Daniel, Assistant Director of Career Advising & Relationship Management, at mariemda@bu.edu.

Handshake

PhD students are encouraged to use [SPH Handshake](#), the SPH online Career and Job portal. Instructions can be found [here](#). If you have an existing BU email from another BU school, you will need to access SPH Handshake differently. Please send a request including a NON-BU email to sphcareeroffice@bu.edu with the subject line, "SPH Handshake Account Request".