

# RISE

Boston University Summer Term  
Pre-College Programs

FALL 2025  
NEWSLETTER



## → SUMMER 2025 FUN FACTS

Top ranked social event: Duck Tours

Favorite workshop: Abstracts and Posters

Favorite Practicum 1 (Computational  
Neurobiology) Fieldtrip: Alnylam

Favorite Practicum 2 (Data Science) Guest  
Speaker: Jacob Cabral from Boston City Hall

**190  
Students**

- This year, RISE 2025 received a historic record of applications!
- A new Practicum track in Data Science was launched, and it was a great success!



## College Selection - RISE ALUMNI 2024:

Boston University

Caltech

Columbia University

Duke University

MIT

Princeton University

Stanford University

UNC Chapel Hill

UC Berkeley

UCLA

Yale University

And more...

BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY



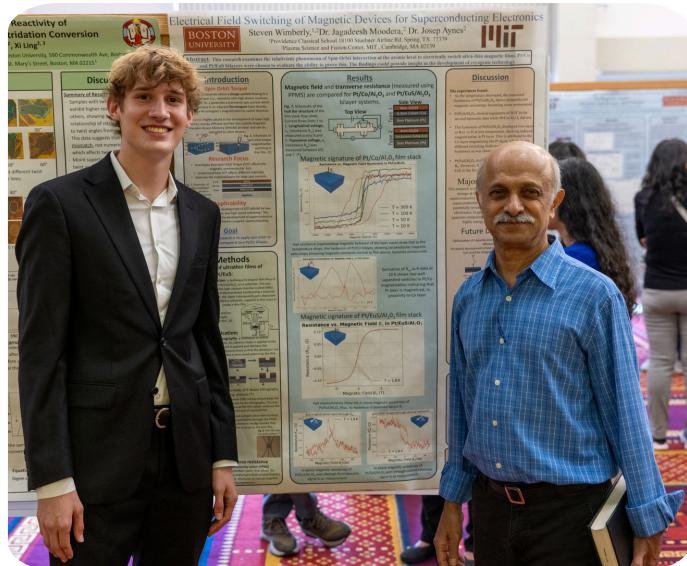
# Alumni Highlights 2024



**Isabella Demiroska** submitted her RISE research to the Brigham Research Institute Fall Poster

- ★ Session, where she won a Research Excellence Award and a \$1000 prize, which she shared with her mentors.
- ★ **Isha Harbaugh** was part of a team that won the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow National Competition and received the Rising Entrepreneurship Award for their innovative project.
- ★ **Jacqueline Zhou** led her Science Olympiad team to a state championship and 5th place nationally, earning multiple individual medals. She also received several scholarships, including National Merit Finalist.
- ★ **Mia Rozenberg** earned 1st place at IFoRE, 2nd at the Florida State Science & Engineering Fair, and was a finalist at ISEF, showcasing the strength of her post-RISE research.

- ★ **Michelle Su** was named a Regeneron STS Top 300 Scholar and had her RISE research accepted to the International Society for Autism Research Meeting 2025. She is coauthoring a journal paper with her RISE mentor.



- ★ **Norah Yang** was recognized as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist for her academic achievements following RISE.
- ★ **Riya Raina** placed 4th at the Upstate NY JSHS and 3rd nationally in the Life and Behavioral Sciences poster category at the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium.
- ★ **Shreya Ambekar** earned her fourth consecutive placement at the HOSA competition and plans to pursue a patent in college based on her RISE project. She also received several school math awards.



"The RISE program gave me more than research skills; it gave me the confidence, fulfillment, and hunger to keep solving real problems in understanding the intricacies of the brain." - Ayden Roche

"Every day brought forth new opportunities to learn something, meet inspiring people, and try something new in Boston, which I took advantage of with enthusiasm; I am grateful for these opportunities graciously provided by RISE." - Peter Yang