



## Boston University Sustainability

### Zero Waste Intern

**Semester Hours:** 10-20 hours/week

**Summer Hours:** Full time, 35-40 hours/week (May-August)

**Available:** Starting immediately or Spring 2026

**Paid:** \$16/hour

**Open to:** Undergraduate and graduate students studying at Boston University

Boston University is working to address its scope 3 indirect emissions through pursuing a goal of Zero Waste by 2030. BU Sustainability recently convened a Zero Waste Implementation Taskforce of stakeholders to develop recommendations for how to achieve Zero Waste. The Zero Waste Intern will be responsible for helping to manage and improve existing waste diversion and recycling programs, such as Goodwill Not Landfill, as well as new initiatives proposed by the Task Force, which may include community surveys, qualitative/quantitative data collection/analysis, development of engagement materials, and more. This is a collaborative, boots on the ground position. Flexibility, positivity, and initiative are a must. Candidates should be willing to be out and about on campus, and be comfortable working with a variety of different stakeholders, including custodial staff, other BU departments, and external vendors. Experience with program implementation and behavior change is preferred.

#### Duties:

- Provide direct support to the Zero Waste Manager
- Work collaboratively with current intern(s)
- Assist with coordination of university-wide recycling, donation, and diversion programs and initiatives
- Implementation of and engagement with community about BU's Zero Waste Implementation Plan
- Research related to waste and recycling industry options and resource management best practices
- Work collaboratively to strategize and implement optimized infrastructure
- Connect other offices, departments, and organizations to the work of *sustainability@BU*
- Provide additional support to *sustainability@BU* projects as needed

#### Qualifications:

- Passion for sustainability
- Action oriented
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Patience, flexibility, enthusiasm
- Ability to work independently and as part of a collaborative team

**To apply,** fill out the [linked form](#). Please include a Resume, Cover Letter, Work Sample, and Transcript. If you have any questions, please contact, [sustainability@bu.edu](mailto:sustainability@bu.edu).