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Welcome from BU Orientation!

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Your journey starts here
18 weeks to arrival. 39 days to thrive.

Volume 3: Your New Home: Navigating the BU Campus



Soon, Boston University will be your new home! 🎉

Here are a few tips from current Terriers to help you settle in:

- Introduce yourself to your roommate(s) early.
- Attend your floor or hall meetings—it's the easiest way to meet people.
 - Save the date: your first floor or hall meeting takes place during Orientation week and is scheduled for 7:30pm on Monday, 8/25!
- Make sure you connect with your Resident Assistant (RA). They are there to support you and welcome your questions.
- Your community has a Faculty-in Residence, a faculty member that lives on campus and hosts programs and fun events. Attend their weekly open hours!
- Consider joining your neighborhood's hall council so you can plan programs, meet new people, and improve life in your residence!

Get Excited.

Do you enjoy connecting with friends over food? Check out the different dining halls and on-campus dining locations to find what best fits your tastes and routine!

Get Ready.

The New Student Housing Application is now live! Apply as soon as possible via your Housing Portal.

Get Connected.

How does one get around? Luckily, we have five MBTA subway stations on campus.

BU also has its own free, on-campus shuttle: the BU Bus. Find all things public transport on the Terrier Transit app!

Student Employment Spotlight

Looking for a job this Fall?

Come learn why FitRec is the largest student employer on campus! Join one of our info sessions via Zoom on June 10, 18, 26 and July 10 from 4-5pm. Can't join? Request more info about our open positions here.



Scan the QR code to shape future newsletter content or apply to be featured in an upcoming New Student Spotlight!



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Academic Exploration

Learning to navigate campus also means learning a lot of BU lingo. You will find that there are abbreviations for nearly everything – the names of schools and colleges, academic departments within those schools and colleges, campus buildings, and even days of the week. So, for example, the College of Arts & Sciences is shortened to CAS (pronounce each letter individually) and the College of Engineering is ENG (pronounced “ehn-geh”).

Check out this very helpful [list of abbreviations](#) and what they mean!



Inside Orientation Week

Move-in weekend is August 23 & 24. Luckily, a session on Wednesday, August 27 is all about navigating your new living community!

ResHall Living 101: How to thrive with your roommates & Residence Hall Community

Thriving in Your New Home is an engaging and interactive session designed to help first-year students navigate the challenges of dorm life with confidence. Through real-life scenarios, practical tips, and a fun role-playing exercise, students will learn how to communicate effectively with roommates, maintain a clean and respectful space, and handle common dorm conflicts. Hosted by: [Residence Life](#)

11:30am, 2pm, or 3:30pm

Visit [MyBU Student Portal](#) to add it to your schedule!

Student Tip of the Week

From bedding to toiletries to decorations, prepare for the big move by checking out Housing's guide on [What to Bring!](#)

