

Welcome from BU Orientation!

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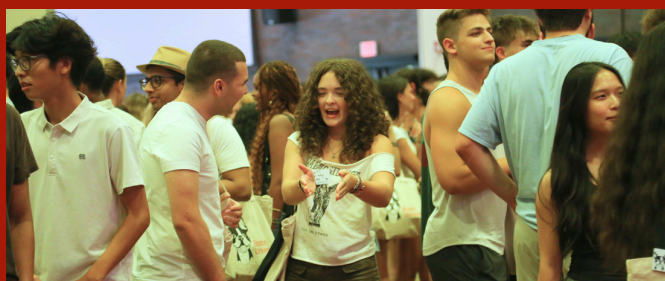
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Something for Everyone

- With over 450+ clubs and organizations across campus, there are tons of things to do and places to meet people at BU.
- After the first week of classes, the BU Student Leadership and Impact Center (SLIC) hosts "SPLASH" on Nickerson Field, where students can mingle and meet representatives from hundreds of BU clubs and organizations. See all available clubs on Terrier Central, the hub for BU community building.
- Want to take on a leadership position? Many schools have their own Student Governments that you can join, or check out the Student Leadership & Impact Center for leadership, advocacy and impact opportunities!



Student Leader Spotlight

Anushka, Program Coordinator (PC)

College of Engineering (ENG) '27, Biomedical Engineering & Mechanical Engineering

Q. When did BU start to feel like "home" for you?"

A. BU started to feel like home during the spring semester of my freshman year. In the fall, I was still adjusting, but by spring, I had found my people. Going to Holi with friends, experiencing my first Boston snowstorm, and even having my usual spots around campus like Fenway Dining Hall started to make BU feel less like a new place and more like home.

Q. What's your favorite BU tradition that you and your friends enjoy most?

A. Marathon Monday is definitely my favorite BU tradition. My friends and I usually start the day in South Campus to cheer runners with the Pep band. It's one of the best days of the year and really shows how connected BU is to the Boston community.





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Make lasting memories during Orientation! Here are some stories from 3 of our Program Coordinators:

- **Friendships:** "I met two of my closest friends during Orientation. I introduced myself, we immediately hit it off, and having familiar faces to sit with made the transition to college so much easier." ~ Rhoda
- **Opportunities:** "I was able to find out about opportunities that BU offers to pre-law students like Pre-Law Advising. Through there I was able to find out about Phi Alpha Delta the Pre-Law Fraternity. I have made such amazing friends through PAD and the Pre-Law community." ~ Shinedip
- **Campus Jobs:** "My Orientation Leader was so inspiring! The advice she gave me really helped in my academic journey and inspired me to become an Orientation Leader last summer" ~ Rosalind

Get Connected

Physical Education Classes (PDPs)

A variety of Physical Education classes are hosted each semester. Classes for Fall '26 released Tuesday, July 14th, and registration opens Tuesday, August 4th.

Marsh Chapel

Marsh Chapel provides leadership and support for spiritual life on campus and beyond. Marsh Chapel is dedicated to serving BU's multi-faith community.

Academic Exploration

Getting Involved is Good for You!

Many students have found that finding your people begins with getting involved in activities, student organizations, and campus programs.

And there's an added bonus! 50+ years of research on higher education indicates that students who are involved in a student organization or activity do better academically! Being involved is an ideal way to connect your academics to real-world happenings while also gaining skills for the future. But how can you learn about all the offerings at BU? In September you'll hear more about the annual Explore the Possibilities fair which features co-curricular opportunities, support resources, and all of our undergraduate schools & colleges.



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Elective Session Spotlight

During your Orientation Experience, you have the opportunity to personalize your schedule by choosing sessions based on your interests. Check out this session and register on your [MyBU Student Portal](#)!

Living Like a Leader: ResHall Living 101

The skills that help Resident Assistants build great communities can help you succeed as a resident, too. Join Residence Life for an engaging, interactive session on navigating roommate relationships, addressing conflict, creating a respectful living environment, and becoming a positive contributor to your community. Walk away with practical tools to make your residence hall experience more enjoyable, connected, and successful (and maybe consider being an RA one day too!). Hosted by: Residence Life.

Friday, August 28, 9:15am, 10:45am, 2:30pm & 4pm



Inside Orientation: Group Time

Together Starts Here

For Orientation, you will be placed in a group of students led by an Orientation Leader, who will guide you through your first two days. This small group of 20 or so students will be your core crew for that time. Your Orientation Leader will take time to facilitate group conversation, games and help everyone get to know each other. As a group you will:

- Travel between Orientation sessions together
- Participate in fun group bonding games such as Uno, Two Truths and a Lie, and campus scavenger hunts.
- Chat and get to know one another
- Ask your Orientation Leader any questions about the BU experience.

Your Orientation Leader and group are some of the first connections you'll make at BU, and they're just the start!



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