First Generation Student Newsletter
April 2013

Upcoming Events

- **How to Work a Career Fair**: April 3rd from 4-5 p.m. at 100 Bay State Road, room 101
- **Spring Fling**: April 4th from 5-6 p.m. at the GSU, room 320-21
- **Resume Blitz**: April 8th and 9th from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Center for Career Development (100 Bay State Road, 6th floor)
- **Just-in-Time Career Fair**: April 10th from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the GSU, Metcalf Ballroom
- **Interviewing for Success**: April 23rd from 1-2 p.m. at 100 Bay State Road, room 101

Important Dates

- April 15th
  Holiday, classes suspended
- April 18th
  Substitute Monday schedule of classes
- May 2nd
  Last day of classes
- May 3rd-6th
  Study period
- May 7th-11th
  Final exams

Have a question or problem you need help resolving?
Visit us! **University Service Center**
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Website: [http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1)

Spring Fling

Celebrate the beginning of spring with the University Service Center and your fellow first gen friends! We’ll have spring-themed snacks and games to play, so take a break from studying and paper-writing to have some fun. We welcome new friends as well as regular participants. Note that this event will be held in the **GSU, room 320-21**. We hope that this more central location will make it easier for you to attend. Please RSVP [here](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1/newsletter).

First Gen Student Spotlight

Read about our spotlighted student, Nicole Rapkin, by visiting our [website](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1/newsletter)! We’re looking for first gen students to feature in upcoming months, so email Stephanie at uscgradi@bu.edu if you’d like to suggest someone—or to be featured yourself!

Visit the USC’s [website](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1/newsletter) for events and workshops happening this month around campus.

Like the [USC’s First Gen Facebook page](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1/newsletter) to stay up-to-date on USC news, information, and events.

How to Stretch a Dollar

- **Write down your expenses to track spending patterns.** See what you can cut back on, whether that’s eating out, shopping, social outings, or something else.
- **Take advantage of campus events and activities for fun, free things to do.** There’s something for everyone at BU. See a full listing of events on the [BU Calendar](http://www.bu.edu/usc/outreach/g1/newsletter).
- **Don’t purchase things on impulse.** If you see something you want, wait a week. If at the end of the week you’re still thinking about it, then consider buying it.
- **Buy used textbooks and sell them at the end of the semester if you don’t think you’ll need them again.** Or rent them if that’s an option.

April Events in Boston

- **Swan Boats**: The famous swan boats return on April 14th at the Boston Public Garden. Tickets are only $2.75.
- **Boston Marathon**: On April 15th, watch the 25,000+ runners in New England’s most widely viewed sporting event. See the race from Beacon Street or near Kenmore.
- **Independent Film Festival Boston**: April 24th-30th, primarily at the Somerville Theatre, Davis Square, Somerville. IFF Boston showcases independent film makers from around the world. Tickets are $10 online and $11 at the box office; rush tickets available.
- **31st Run of the Charles**: April 28th, Charles River. New England’s largest canoe and kayak race; to watch from Boston or Cambridge, be there between 12 and 4 p.m.
- **Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts**: April 27th-29th at the MFA. See the MFA’s galleries transformed by almost 70 extraordinary arrangements inspired by works of art. Free with BU I.D.