

# LIVING AND LEARNING AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY

A Guide for International Students



**BOSTON  
UNIVERSITY**



**Where Our Students Come From**  
Students come to Boston University from around the globe.

## There's the college experience and then there's the BU experience.

What does it mean to study at a world-class university?

It means you'll be taught and challenged by Presidential Award winners, Fulbright scholars, and MacArthur fellows. That you'll be a student at one of the elite research universities in North America, ranked #21 among best US universities for excellence, equity, and employability by QS World University Rankings. That you'll have the chance to study and intern in an urban hub for medicine, biomedical engineering, business and economics, and communications. And that you'll be part of a class where 24% of the students are international, expanding your global perspectives in ways you never imagined. It's no wonder that Boston is one of the top three destinations in the US for international students. See for yourself by watching our virtual tour: [boston.university-tour.com](https://www.boston.university-tour.com).


Afghanistan  
Albania  
Antigua  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Australia  
Austria  
Azerbaijan  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Belarus  
Belgium  
Bermuda  
Bolivia  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Cameroon  
Canada  
Cape Verde Islands  
Chile  
People's Republic of China  
Colombia  
Democratic Republic of the Congo  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Cuba  
Curaçao  
Cyprus  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
Ethiopia  
Fiji  
Finland  
France  
Republic of Georgia  
Germany  
Ghana  
Greece  
Guatemala  
Guinea  
Guyana  
Haiti  
Honduras  
Hong Kong  
Hungary  
Iceland  
India  
Indonesia  
Iran  
Iraq  
Ireland  
Israel  
Italy  
Jamaica  
Japan  
Jordan  
Kazakhstan  
Kenya  
Democratic People's Republic of Korea  
Republic of Korea  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyzstan  
Lebanon  
Macao  
Macedonia  
Malaysia  
Mauritius  
Mexico  
Mongolia  
Montenegro  
Morocco  
Myanmar  
Nepal  
Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Nigeria  
Norway  
Oman  
Pakistan  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Qatar  
Romania  
Russia  
Rwanda  
Saint Lucia  
Saudi Arabia  
Senegal  
Serbia  
Sierra Leone  
Republic of Singapore  
Slovakia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sri Lanka  
Sudan  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Syria  
Taiwan  
Tanzania  
Thailand  
Togo  
Trinidad & Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
Turkmenistan  
Ukraine  
United Arab Emirates  
United Kingdom  
Uzbekistan  
Venezuela  
Vietnam




# BY THE NUMBERS.

 **10**  
UNDERGRADUATE  
SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

 **96%**  
OF GRADUATES  
FIND EMPLOYMENT  
OR PLACEMENT IN  
GRADUATE PROGRAMS  
WITHIN 6 MONTHS

 **10:1**  
STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

 **27**  
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

**300+**  
MAJORS AND  
MINORS 

 **16,489**  
UNDERGRADUATES  
(fall 2019)

 **4 YEARS**  
OF GUARANTEED  
HOUSING

 STUDENTS COME FROM  
**100+ COUNTRIES**  
*+ all* **50 STATES**

**27** RANKED #27  
AMONG MOST  
INNOVATIVE  
UNIVERSITIES  
BY U.S. NEWS &  
WORLD REPORT

 **#18**  
WHERE EMPLOYERS RANK  
BU GRADUATES IN THE NATION  
FOR EMPLOYABILITY

**4,000** STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

**180+** COUNTRIES WHERE YOU CAN FIND  
BU ALUMNI

**1,681**  
LABORATORIES



**\$1 MILLION IN ANNUAL FUNDING**  
FOR UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH





## OPPORTUNITIES TO EXCEL

With over 300 programs of study, BU combines a strong liberal arts foundation with preprofessional studies. But learning opportunities extend further than the classroom, into Boston and beyond.

- **Arvind & Chandan Nandlal Kilachand Honors College**

BU's honors program, designed for the highest-achieving and most intellectually curious students. [bu.edu/khc](http://bu.edu/khc)

- **BU Hub**

Our innovative University-wide general education program will equip you with the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind needed to thrive in today's interconnected, global, and fast-paced world. [bu.edu/hub](http://bu.edu/hub)

- **Combined Programs**

Blend your interests and pick two majors that complement each other across the schools and colleges, such as business administration in Questrom and international relations in Pardee, through the BU Dual Degree Program.

- **Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)**

There's more than \$1 million in funding for you to gain hands-on research experience alongside innovative faculty in every academic field imaginable.

- **Study Abroad**

One of the oldest and largest programs in the US, students may choose from 80+ programs and take advantage of our global internship placement program.

- **Seven-Year Liberal Arts/Medical Education Program**

The most academically accomplished students can apply to complete a bachelor's degree and medical doctorate in just seven years.

## TUITION & FEES

### EXPENSES FOR THE 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR\*

Tuition	\$56,854
Room (depending on type of accommodation)	\$10,990
Board (most dining plans)	\$5,650
Fees	\$1,218
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$74,712</b>

\*Tuition and fees are subject to change by action of the Board of Trustees.



## WELCOME TO BOSTON: YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME.

Boston and its surrounding area is home to more than 60 colleges and universities, meaning that nearly one in five residents is a college student during the academic year. This concentration of some of the nation's most prestigious institutions of higher learning makes Boston a top destination in the United States for international students.

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THIS IS COMM. AVE. THIS IS OUR CAMPUS.

This is where you **STUDY** 

- 1 School of Hospitality Administration
- 2 College of General Studies
- 3 College of Fine Arts
- 4 Barnes & Noble @ BU
- 5 Mugar Memorial Library
- 6 College of Arts & Sciences
- 7 Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies
- 8 Kilachand Honors College
- 9 Photonics Center
- 10 College of Engineering
- 11 College of Communication
- 12 Morse Auditorium
- 13 Metcalf Science Center
- 14 Yawkey Center for Student Services
- 15 Questrom School of Business
- 16 Wheelock College of Education & Human Development
- 17 College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College
- 18 BUild Lab: IDG Capital Student Innovation Center
- 19 Engineering Product Innovation Center (EPIC)
- 20 808 Gallery
- 21 Howard Thurman Center for Common Ground
- 22 Joan & Edgar Booth Theatre and College of Fine Arts Production Center


- 4 Fresh Fuel at Granby Commons (kosher and vegan menu)
- 5 Warren Towers
- 6 Marciano Commons

This is where you **PLAY** 

- 1 Case Athletic Center
- 2 New Balance Field
- 3 Nickerson Field
- 4 Agganis Arena
- 5 Fitness & Recreation Center
- 6 DeWolfe Boathouse
- 7 Charles River Esplanade
- 8 George Sherman Union
- 9 BU Beach
- 10 Marsh Plaza

This is where you **SLEEP** 

- 1 West Campus
- 2 Student Village II
- 3 Student Village I
- 4 Warren Towers
- 5 Bay State Road brownstones
- 6 The Towers
- 7 Kilachand Hall
- 8 Myles Standish Hall
- 9 South Campus residences
- 10 Danielsen Hall

This is where you **EAT** 

- 1 Fresh Food Company
- 2 Buick Street Market & Café
- 3 George Sherman Union food court

This is where you receive **ASSISTANCE** 

- 1 International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO)
- 2 Yawkey Center for Student Services



# PROGRAMS OF STUDY

## COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

American Studies  
Ancient Greek  
Ancient Greek & Latin  
Anthropology  
Anthropology & Religion  
Archaeology  
Architectural Studies  
Astronomy  
Astronomy & Physics  
Biochemistry & Molecular Biology  
Biology  
Biology with specialization in  
Behavioral Biology  
Biology with specialization in Cell  
Biology, Molecular Biology  
& Genetics  
Biology with specialization in  
Ecology & Conservation Biology  
Biology with specialization in  
Neurobiology  
Chemistry  
Chemistry: Biochemistry  
Chemistry: Teaching  
Chinese Language & Literature  
Cinema & Media Studies  
Classical Civilization  
Classics & Archaeology  
Classics & Philosophy  
Classics & Religion  
Comparative Literature  
Computer Science  
Earth & Environmental Sciences  
Economics  
Economics & Mathematics  
English  
Environmental Analysis & Policy  
French & Linguistics  
French Studies  
Geophysics & Planetary Sciences  
German Language & Literature  
History  
History of Art & Architecture  
Independent  
Italian & Linguistics  
Italian Studies  
Japanese & Linguistics  
Japanese Language & Literature  
Latin  
Linguistics  
Linguistics & African Languages  
Linguistics & Computer Science  
Linguistics & Philosophy

Linguistics and Speech, Language &  
Hearing Sciences (also offered  
in Sargent)  
Marine Science  
Mathematics (*includes Statistics*)  
Mathematics & Computer Science  
Mathematics &  
Mathematics Education  
Mathematics & Philosophy  
Middle Eastern and South Asian  
Languages & Literatures  
Neuroscience  
Philosophy  
Philosophy & Neuroscience  
Philosophy & Physics  
Philosophy & Political Science  
Philosophy & Psychology  
Philosophy & Religion  
Physics  
Political Science  
Pre-dentistry  
Prelaw  
Pre-medicine  
Pre-veterinary Medicine  
Psychology  
Religion  
Russian Language & Literature  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Spanish & Linguistics  
Statistics & Computer Science  
Undeclared

## CAS Accelerated Program

Seven-Year Liberal Arts/Medical  
Education Program

## FREDERICK S. PARDEE SCHOOL OF GLOBAL STUDIES

Asian Studies  
European Studies  
International Relations  
Latin American Studies  
Middle East & North Africa Studies

## COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION

Advertising  
Film & Television (*includes production,  
writing, and management*)  
Journalism (*includes news-editorial,  
broadcast, magazine, online, and  
photojournalism*)  
Media Science

Public Relations  
Undeclared

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Biomedical Engineering  
Computer Engineering  
Electrical Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering  
(aerospace concentration)  
Undeclared

## COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

### School of Theatre

Performance Core  
Acting  
Theatre Arts/Performance  
Design/Production Core  
Design (Scenery—Costumes—  
Lighting—Sound)  
Production (Technical Production—  
Costume Production)  
Stage Management  
Theatre Arts/Design & Production

### School of Visual Arts

Art  
Art Education  
Graphic Design  
Painting  
Printmaking  
Sculpture  
Undeclared

### School of Music

Composition & Theory  
Music—Nonperformance  
Music Education  
Musicology  
Performance

## COLLEGE OF GENERAL STUDIES

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH & REHABILITATION SCIENCES:

### SARGENT COLLEGE

Behavior & Health  
Health Science  
Human Physiology  
Linguistics and Speech, Language  
& Hearing Sciences (also offered  
in CAS)

Nutrition  
Physical Therapy  
Speech, Language & Hearing  
Sciences  
Undeclared

## SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY ADMINISTRATION

Hospitality Administration  
(*includes event management,  
hospitality marketing, hospitality real  
estate development, and revenue  
management & analytics*)  
Hospitality & Communication

## QUESTROM SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Accounting  
Business Administration  
Business Analytics  
Finance  
Global Business  
Health & Life Sciences  
Independent Concentration  
Information Systems  
Innovation & Entrepreneurship  
Law  
Marketing  
Operations & Technology  
Management  
Organizational Behavior  
Real Estate  
Retailing  
Strategy

Questrom Honors Program

## WHELOCK COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Deaf Education  
Educational Design for  
Transformative Futures  
Teaching & Learning  
Youth Justice & Mental Health

## KILACHAND HONORS COLLEGE

**Application Information and Requirements:** [go.bu.edu/admissions/international](http://go.bu.edu/admissions/international)  
**Advanced Credit:** [go.bu.edu/admissions/advanced-credit](http://go.bu.edu/admissions/advanced-credit)

**Scholarship Information:** [go.bu.edu/admissions/scholarships](http://go.bu.edu/admissions/scholarships)

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