

# **MET International** at Boston University

An academic experience in the heart of Boston









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vibrant, historic, and cultural cities in the U.S., Boston University (BU) is internationally recognized as a top institution of higher learning and research. Established in 1839, today BU comprises 17 schools and colleges offering more than 250 degree programs, numerous campus resources, and superb faculty.

As a study abroad destination, Boston is unsurpassable. A thriving hub of innovation and research, the city is home to a diverse array of universities and cultural institutions, offering a wealth of activity, intellect, and entertainment.



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### A DYNAMIC UNIVERSITY

In a college town with more than 50 colleges and universities, what sets Boston University apart?

Faculty: With more than 2,600 full-time faculty, you have the full attention of BU's distinguished professors. The University has hosted Nobel Prize winners and former U.S. poets laureate, as well as winners of the Pulitzer Prize, members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, MacArthur geniuses, and recipients of the Guggenheim Fellowship.

**Students:** BU is home to more than 33,000 students—undergraduate, graduate, and post-doctoral—from all over the world.

**Research:** In 2011, the Center for Measuring University Performance placed BU among the top 50 research universities in the nation. BU receives over \$365 million a year in sponsored program revenue.

Resources: Students benefit from the intellectual, social, and professional resources at BU, including 23 libraries with 2.4 million physical volumes; over 100 academic centers and institutes; the 270,000-square-foot Fitness & Recreation Center; and hundreds of academic and social organizations.

### **ACCREDITATION AND DESIGNATIONS**



Boston University is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC).

Boston University is an elected member of the Association of American Universities (AAU), and is also designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education and Research by the National Security Agency and Department of Homeland Security.



The University is an accredited member of AASCB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business.



Metropolitan College's information security programs are certified by the Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS).



MET's master's degree program in Computer Information Systems is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIM).



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# What do the numbers say?

8,452

Number of international students enrolled at BU in 2015.

133

Countries represented at BU—from China, India, and Saudi Arabia to Kenya, France, and Brazil.

1,117

Foreign nationals from 79 countries teaching and working at BU, from short-term researchers to lecturers and tenure-track professors.

61

International alumni groups around the globe, with China, India, Pakistan, and Canada boasting multiple networks.

13:1

BU's student-to-faculty ratio—ensuring you get to know your professors.

4500中

Student interest and activity groups at BU—providing something for everyone.



Hours volunteered by more than 1,700 BU students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends during the 2016 Global Day of Service in 172 projects worldwide.



### **GET TO KNOW MET**

Metropolitan College (MET)—one of Boston University's 17 degree-granting schools and colleges—upholds BU's mission as an "international, comprehensive, private research university, committed to educating students to be reflective, resourceful individuals ready to live, adapt, and lead in an interconnected world." Applying the principles of excellence, accessibility, and innovation, MET reaches out to diverse populations with more than 60 undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs that are competitive, challenging, and rewarding.

Along with its programs on campus in Boston, Metropolitan College maintains a strong global presence through MET International partnerships. In addition, MET oversees Boston University's numerous online programs, as well as BU Summer Term.

## **MET INTERNATIONAL**

Through its alliances with educational partners worldwide, MET International enables students from partner institutions to access Boston University's world-class resources—and MET's industry-leading academic models—while living in one of the nation's most exciting cities.

- Students are integrated within courses at Boston University's Metropolitan College
- Graduate business students may participate in credit-bearing internships in organizations from Boston to San Francisco to New York
- Students fulfill home institution study abroad requirements and receive a BU transcript

## PICTURE YOURSELF HERE

Boston University's Metropolitan College international partnership program is offered exclusively to undergraduate and graduate international students from Boston University partner institutions. You will enroll in thought-provoking courses, learning from distinguished faculty who bring active scholarship and hands-on experience to the classroom. MET International will introduce you to Boston University's world-class resources, and ensure that you are immersed in the BU experience.

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### UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER IN BOSTON

A unique program for undergraduates, the MET International Undergraduate Semester in Boston is an opportunity for you to spend time in a student-friendly city while living, studying, and interacting with our diverse population of students.

- Students enroll full-time, choosing from an array of mostly evening undergraduate offerings at MET
- Program corresponds to student interests and requirements of the home institution
- Students can study for one or two semesters fall or spring
- Students have full access to the academic and extracurricular resources available on Boston University's main campus

### **GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS**

Qualified graduate students from partner institutions have access to a wide range of four-course, graduate-level certificate programs at Boston University's Metropolitan College. Our graduate certificate programs offer you the opportunity to concentrate in a specific field at BU, while satisfying the international study requirements of your home institution.



### **INTERNSHIPS**



The Professional Internship Semester offers the opportunity to put new knowledge to work on the job. MET International works in collaboration with the Academic Internship Council (AIC) and each individual student to match placements with specific career goals, skill levels, and interests. In preparation for the internship application

process, AIC offers workshops on résumé writing, interviewing techniques, and long-term job strategies.

- Internships are unpaid, full-time (35-40 hours per week) positions at U.S. companies or organizations
- Internships last one academic semester
- Students must complete an application and interview process
- Internships are monitored academically; students receive academic credit upon completion
- Internships have separate, additional tuition costs

After completing an internship, you may be eligible to apply for Optional Practical Training, which allows you to work in the U.S. within your field of study.

### **SUMMER TERM**

Boston University Summer Term welcomes more than 7,000 students each summer—including over 300 visiting from abroad. MET International participants who choose to study during Summer Term benefit from:

- More than 700 undergraduate and graduate courses, day or evening, in over 70 subjects
- Unique programs offered exclusively during the summer
- BU's wide range of academic and extracurricular resources
- Dedicated support services during the enrollment process and summer study

**Computer Science/Information Technology** 

**Economics** 



**Graduate Certificate Programs** 

**Applied Sustainability** 

**Arts Administration** 

**Medical Information Security & Privacy** 

**Database Management & Business Intelligence** 

Health Informatics

**Information Security** 

Finance Food Studies

Management

Mathematics

**Project Management** 

Sociology

History

Language & Literature

Marketing

Psychology

**Urban Affairs** 



**Information Technology** 

Financial Markets & Institutions

**Project Management** 

**IT Project Management** 

**Innovation & Entrepreneurship** 

**Food Studies** 

**Web Application Development** 

**International Business Management** 

**Supply Chain Management** 

**Electronic Commerce, Systems & Technology** 

**International Marketing** 

**Advanced Information Technology** 













### YOUR ACADEMIC RESOURCES ON CAMPUS

#### The Libraries

BU's 23 libraries provide a variety of research tools, services, and resources. The main library, Mugar Memorial, boasts seven stories and 2.2 million items. Find one of the comfy couches inside and settle in for your study session. Visit **bu.edu/library**.

#### Student Health Services

Student Health Services (SHS) offers primary care, sports medicine, crisis intervention, and behavioral medicine by appointment or on an emergency basis. Additionally, you have access to health education and evaluation through the SHS Wellness & Prevention Services. Visit **bu.edu/shs**.

#### International Students & Scholars Office

Boston University's International Students & Scholars Office (ISSO) provides professional expertise on immigration and employment issues to a vibrant international community of more than 8,000 students and scholars. Visit **bu.edu/isso**.

#### The IT Help Center

Information Services & Technology provides the Boston University community with computing and network resources for communication, coursework, instruction, and research. Find IT Help Centers in the Mugar Memorial Library (771 Commonwealth Avenue) and at 172 Amory Street. Visit **bu.edu/tech**.

#### **Disability Services**

Boston University is committed to maximizing the academic, social, and cultural integration of individuals with disabilities. For information, call 617-353-3658 (Voice or TTY), email access@bu.edu, or visit bu.edu/disability.

#### **Center for Student Services**

Located at 100 Bay State Road, the Center for Student Services is home to dining facilities such as the Fresh Food Co., Rize, and Late Night Kitchen, as well as the following offices:

#### **Career Services**

The Center for Career Development (CCD) offers workshops on career-related topics, résumé and cover letter reviews, mock interviews, individual career counseling sessions, and internship or job search strategies to help you optimize your hiring potential. Visit **bu.edu/careers**.

#### **Educational Resource Center**

The Educational Resource Center (ERC) is your academic support system, whether you want to improve your grammar, restructure an essay, or bolster your study habits. The ERC offers one-on-one sessions with peers and professionals, as well as a variety of workshops. Visit **bu.edu/erc**.

Please note that some of the services listed above are available only to degree-seeking students.

#### Barnes & Noble

Located in Kenmore Square, the Barnes & Noble bookstore at Boston University has everything you need to settle in at BU, from books and textbooks to dorm room supplies and BU clothing and apparel. You can also buy, rent, or sell your course textbooks at the store. Visit **bu.bncollege.com**.

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## **OUT AND ABOUT**

#### Student Activities office

Boston University supports hundreds of student groups, from cultural and religious groups to special interest organizations. In addition, the Student Activities Office welcomes students to campus with a dynamic series of events, such as outdoor movies on the BU Beach, tickets to a Red Sox game, stand-up comedy, dances, and more. Visit **bu.edu/studentactivities**.

#### **FitRec**

Known around campus as "FitRec," Boston University's Fitness & Recreation Center offers hundreds of courses and a wide range of recreational activities. You'll find everything from sailing and rowing, to squash and rock climbing, to yoga and cardio-kickboxing—as well as facilities that include two pools, a "lazy river," a climbing wall, a two-story cardio and strength training Fitness Center, an indoor jogging track, seven courts of gymnasium space, a café, and much more. MET International students are eligible to enroll in up to 2 credits of classes at FitRec at no additional tuition charge. Visit **bu.edu/fitrec**.

#### **George Sherman Union**

Eat, study, or socialize at BU's on-campus student union. You'll find a food court with 11 restaurants to choose from, along with BU Central, the University's late-night venue that hosts up-and-coming bands, comedy nights, poetry slams, and more. Or maybe you just want to shoot a little pool with your friends.

### **Dining Services**

The breadth of quality dining choices that await you on campus is astounding, with 25 restaurants and cafés, 4 residential dining halls, 2 late night eateries, and our very own farmers market. See the options at **bu.edu/dining**.





#### **Shop along Newbury Street**

A long row of Victorianera brownstones stretches through Boston and offers some of the best boutique shopping around. This street has numerous cafés and restaurants with terrace seating for warm weather.

### **BEYOND BU**

Stretching along Commonwealth Avenue from the Allston neighborhood to Kenmore Square in Back Bay, BU's campus is woven into the fabric of a bustling, energetic city. Boston is as well known for its progressive nature as it is for its essential role in U.S. history.

Stand on any street corner in Boston and you're

surrounded by culture, innovation, intellect, activism, and landmarksand, of course, devoted fans of the city's baseball team, the Red Sox. There are dozens of museums in the city, from contemporary art to natural history, as well as nightclubs, music venues, and theatres. You can study in the oldest public library in the nation, or ride on the first subway in the western hemisphere (built in 1897). A wander through Boston's neighborhoods reveals historical buildings, cobblestone streets, and intriguing reminders of key

milestones in U.S. history. In the "ultimate college town"—a city filled with renowned institutions of higher learning and more than 250,000 college students—there is always a lecture, a reading, or a presentation to attend.

Thanks to its compact footprint, Boston—and all its attractions—is easily accessible by foot or by public transportation.









The first park and public botanical garden in the U.S., these two downtown landmarks are frequented by visitors and Boston natives alike. Take a ride on the famous swan boats, stroll through a garden with over 80 species of plants, run through refreshing water fountains in the summer, and glide over an ice-skating rink during the winter. Don't forget to explore the rest of the city's 2,200 acres of parkland, as well.



### Watch a Red Sox game at Fenway Park

The great American pastime in warm weather is baseball.
Boston fans are crazy for the Red Sox, who play right next to BU's campus in Fenway Park.
This is a quintessential Boston experience—just don't cheer for the New York Yankees.

#### Eat in the North End neighborhood

Soak up *la dolce vita* in this classic Italian American neighborhood. Wonderful food, bakeries, street festivals, and culture abound.





#### Walk the Freedom Trail

The Freedom Trail is a 2.5-mile path embedded in the bricks and streets of Boston that will lead you through 16 of the most important historical sites in the city. The trail starts at the Boston Common.





### Stroll through Faneuil Hall Marketplace and Quincy Market

This area boasts numerous shops, restaurants, and street performers. For shopping or people watching, this is one of the most popular places in Boston. For lunch, Quincy Market has a variety of different food stalls where you can sample some



classic New England cuisine, like clam chowder and lobster rolls. Take the "T" to Government Center or Haymarket to access this area.

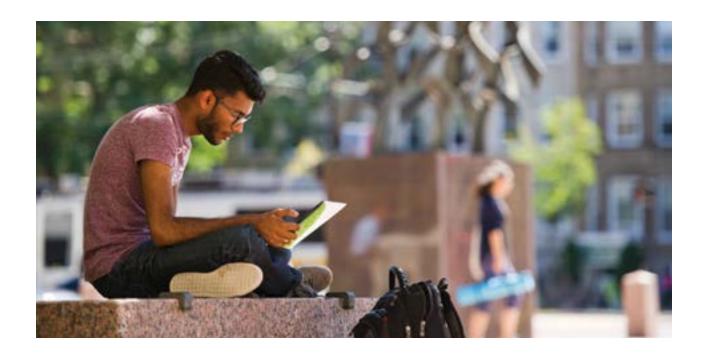








Visit the New England Aquarium Get up close and personal with harbor seals, giant turtles, penguins, stingrays, and sharks, or touch a sea star or hermit crab. The Aquarium is located right on Boston's Central Wharf.



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