

HOW TO APPLY TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY

BU

THE BASICS

Your Application

BU accepts either the Common Application or the Coalition Application. Please provide us with a valid email address when you apply so that we can send you instructions for setting up your BU web account, where you can check the status of your application.

Additional Application Requirements

- High school/secondary school transcript
- Senior year grades
- School Report form
- Counselor recommendation
- Teacher recommendation
- Essays
- Portfolios, prescreening, and auditions (College of Fine Arts only)
- Early Decision Agreement (Early Decision applicants only)
- Confidential Statement for Financing Studies & Sponsorship Support Confirmation (international students only)

Standardized Test Scores

Boston University is test-optional for fall 2021/spring 2022 applicants. This policy applies to all BU undergraduate schools and colleges and all scholarship programs. You will have the ability to indicate whether you would like us to consider your standardized test scores when applying. All standardized test scores must be sent directly to BU from the testing agency.

Recommended Curriculum

Students who are competitive for admission to BU are those who have enrolled and excelled in the most challenging courses available to them. For most BU programs, the recommended curriculum includes:

- Four years of English
- Three to four years of mathematics (precalculus/calculus recommended; calculus required for some programs)
- Three to four years of laboratory science
- Three to four years of history and/or social science
- Two to four years of a foreign language

BU Class Profile

Students recently admitted to BU had the following academic profile:

Average Rank in Class: Top 7%

Average Overall Grade: A-

SAT Middle 50%: 1420-1540

ACT Middle 50%: 32-35

Average TOEFL: 107

Average IELTS: 7.4

Visit our website for complete application instructions and specific program requirements:

go.bu.edu/apply

International students:

go.bu.edu/admissions/international

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IMPORTANT DEADLINES

EARLY DECISION

NOVEMBER 1	Application deadline, CSS Profile™ deadline, and Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline
DECEMBER 15	Admission decisions available online
JANUARY 15	Deadline for accepting admission and financial aid offers; enrollment deposit due

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FEBRUARY 15	Admission decisions available online
LATE FEBRUARY	Deadline for accepting admission and financial aid offers; enrollment deposit due

REGULAR DECISION

NOVEMBER 15	Application deadline for Accelerated Medical Program
DECEMBER 1	Application deadline for the Trustee and Presidential Scholarships
JANUARY 1	Application deadline, CSS Profile™ deadline, and Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadline
LATE MARCH	Admission decisions and financial aid awards available online
APRIL	Open House programs for admitted students
MAY 1	Deadline for accepting admission and financial aid offers; enrollment deposit due

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