Request for Deferral of Admission

Boston University Admissions

Instructions

Please read the instructions and policies outlined below before completing this form.
To defer your admission to Boston University, please complete and return the Request for Deferral to
admissions@bu.edu.

If you have not already done so, please submit the required $650 enrollment deposit with this request. If you have any questions, please call the Admissions Office at 617-353-2300 or visit the website at bu.edu/admissions.

Deferral Policies

1. Deferred admission may only be granted to admitted freshman students who have paid the required non-refundable $650 enrollment deposit.
2. Deferred admission may be requested for one semester or one year. The Board of Admissions does make allowances for students who perform national military/civil service, or have religious obligations.
3. Financial aid offers cannot be deferred. Students must reapply for financial aid by the deadlines listed below.
4. Merit scholarship award deferrals may be considered on a case-by-case basis.
   a. Please note: Tuition Exchange awards cannot be deferred.
5. Students admitted to the Arvind and Chandan Nandlal Kilachand Honors College will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
6. Students planning to complete a post-graduate year of high school are not eligible for deferred admission.
7. Students admitted to the College of General Studies may only request a one year deferral to the following January.
8. Students admitted to the College of Engineering, Questrom School of Business or to the School of Theatre may only request a one year deferral to the following September.
9. Students admitted to the BU Class of 2029 Verto Global Experience Program are not eligible for deferred admission.
10. Students planning to matriculate at another institution are not eligible for deferral. Any deferred student who matriculates at another institution will lose deferred admission status at Boston University and will forfeit the enrollment deposit. Students who wish to take courses with non-degree status during the period of deferment are limited to two courses per semester. Credit earned at other institutions will be evaluated for transfer credit in accordance with established Boston University policies.
11. Admitted transfer students are not eligible for deferred admission.
12. QuestBridge match students will be considered for deferral on a case-by-case basis.

Required Credentials

Boston University requires a high school diploma or General Educational Development (GED) diploma for entrance to its undergraduate schools, colleges, and programs unless you are in an approved home-school program. If you have not already submitted your final high school transcript or GED diploma, please request that an official copy be sent as soon as possible. Transcripts of all academic coursework completed subsequent to your original application must be submitted with the request form.

Important Dates

REQUEST FOR DEFERRAL DEADLINES

JULY 1*: Deadline for submission of your Request for Deferral of Admission form and any outstanding required credentials if you were admitted for the fall semester.

JANUARY 5*: Deadline for submission of your Request for Deferral of Admission form and any outstanding required credentials if you were admitted for the spring semester.

Please note that requests for deferral of admission are reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis.

FINANCIAL AID FORMS & DEADLINES

Note: international students are not eligible for financial aid from Boston University

To apply for financial assistance, you must complete both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Financial Aid PROFILE. For further information on applying for financial assistance from Boston University, please contact Financial Assistance at 617-353-2965 or visit them online at bu.edu/finaid.

JANUARY 5: Deadline for students with deferred admission status for the fall semester to submit all financial aid forms.

NOVEMBER 1: Deadline for students with deferred admission status for the spring semester to submit all financial aid forms.

Section One

STUDENT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

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Last Name   First Name   Middle Initial

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BU ID

Are you a US citizen or Permanent Resident (Green Card holder)?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS

_____

Street Address

_____

City   State/Foreign Province   Zip Code

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Country (international students)

_____

Telephone Number (Include Area/Country Code, if applicable)   Fax Number (Include Area/Country Code, if applicable)

_____@_____

Email Address

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

_____

Street Address

_____

City   State/Foreign Province   Zip Code

_____

Country (international students)

_____

Telephone Number (Include Area/Country Code, if applicable)   Fax Number (Include Area/Country Code, if applicable)

Mailing address valid from_____until _____

DEFERRAL INFORMATION

School/College of deferral (example: _College of Arts & Sciences_) _____

I am requesting deferral until: September ☐   January ☐   (choose one) 20_____ (enter year)

Have you been admitted to the Kilachand Honors College? Yes ☐   No ☐

Do you wish to defer your enrollment in this program?   Yes ☐   No ☐

Have you been awarded any of the following merit scholarships?

Trustee Scholarship ☐   Menino Scholarship ☐

Presidential Scholarship ☐

Would you like to request to have your scholarship deferred?   Yes ☐   No ☐

Section Two
STUDENT INFORMATION

Please tell us your plans for the period of deferment. Specify travel, work, and educational objectives and relevant dates. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Section Three
STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I certify that the information provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have read and fully understand the Boston University Deferred Admission Policies (see page 1).

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Signature   Date

Boston University Admissions   881 Commonwealth Ave., 6th Floor   (617) 353-2300   admissions@bu.edu   bu.edu/admissions
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