

**SUMMER/WINTER PROGRAMMES (SWP)**

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

Before applying for any summer/winter programme, read the [Global Relations Office \(GRO\) website](#) for important information on:

- General Eligibility Requirements and Application Process
- Course Mapping and Financial Aid
- Visa Application, Travel Advisories and Student Insurance

**Boston University: Summer Term**

Host University Website: <http://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/>

Programme Location: Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Programme Dates: 20 May to 27 June 2025 (Session 1)  
 30 June to 8 August 2025 (Session 2)  
 20 May to 8 August 2025 (Summer 12-week session)

Application Deadline: Session 1 / 12-week session: **1 March 2025 (EduRec deadline)**  
 Session 2: **1 April 2025 (EduRec deadline)**

ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION			
1	<b>Programme Fee</b>	As NUS and Boston University are partner universities, you can enjoy many benefits, like a waived application fee, early course registration, and a designated Summer Term staff member for support and assistance throughout the application and enrolment process. Boston University will also provide a 15% discount on the tuition fee to each NUS student who maintains a full course load in the summer. For more information, please refer to the projected expenditure (item 2) below.	
2	<b>Projected Expenditure</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Estimated Cost US\$ (6-week session / 12-week session)</b>
		Application fee – please use the following link: <a href="https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/">https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/</a>	US\$ 0.00 (must use correct link)
		Tuition fees with partnership discount	
		- min. 2 courses (8 credits) for one six-week summer session	US\$6,520
		- min. 3 courses (12 credits) for 12-week session	US\$9,780
		Housing and Dining <i>Based on a multiple-occupancy, air-conditioned room in a traditional-style residence, with a dining plan of 10 meals per week. Alternative housing and dining arrangements will result in different charges.</i>	TBD (kindly refer <a href="#">here</a> for the updated costing)
		Student Services Fee (6-week / 12-week)	US\$75
Health Insurance	US\$438 / US\$829		
Books & Supplies	US\$200 / US\$300		

		Incidentals	US\$360 / US\$540
		<b>Total</b>	<b>US\$9,708 / US\$16,397</b>
		<b>Note:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All tuition and fees are pending approval. Please check <a href="#">Boston University's website</a> for the confirmed costing.</li> <li>- Above costings exclude flights, daily living expenses and personal expenditure</li> </ul>	
3	<b>NUS Financial Aid</b>	<p>You should have enough monetary funds to last you throughout the whole i-SP programme. Your decision to go on i-SP should not be dependent upon the confirmation of a scholarship or bursary award. You can consider the following financial aid options to fund your i-SP:</p> <p><b>For Singaporeans only:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">NUS Awards for Study Abroad (NASA) Enhancement Bursary</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) Funds</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Opportunity Enhancement Grant (OEG)</a></li> </ul> <p>Please note that if you are successful for any financial aid, the funds will only be disbursed to you <u>after</u> completion of the programme.</p>	
<b>PROGRAMME DETAILS</b>			
4	<b>Academic Content</b>	For more information on the courses being offered during BU Summer Term, please refer here: <a href="https://www.bu.edu/summer/courses/">https://www.bu.edu/summer/courses/</a>	
5	<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	NUS' generic eligibility requirements apply, please see GRO website for details.	
6	<b>Accommodation</b>	For more information on housing and dining (meal plan) options, please refer here: <a href="https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/housing-dining/">https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/housing-dining/</a>	
7	<b>Application Procedure</b>	<p>Apply via Edu-Rec and the host university's website <u>concurrently</u>. You must accept both the Edu-Rec offer as well as the host university offer to confirm your participation in this programme.</p> <p>Please use the following link to apply to receive the application fee waiver: <a href="https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/">https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/</a></p> <p><b>Documents required of all students:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Copy of your valid passport, including the data page and passport expiration date</li> <li>○ Registration Form for <a href="#">Session 1</a> and/or <a href="#">Session 2</a> (please leave the BU I.D. and Local Address sections blank)</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Waiver Form</a></li> <li>○ Financial documentation: Please read <a href="#">Estimated Expenses &amp; Financial Information</a> to determine which financial materials you need to submit. For information security purposes, when sending any bank statement or letter, be sure to black out</li> </ul>	

		<p><b>your account number.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b><u>Financial Sponsorship Certification</u></b>, if your studies will be financed by an individual other than yourself, such as a family member.</li> </ul> <p><b>In addition to the Application/Enrolment Form, please send the above required documents to Boston Summer Sessions Office (<a href="mailto:STpartnr@bu.edu">STpartnr@bu.edu</a>).</b></p>
8	<b>Course Mapping</b>	<p>You can start the course mapping process after you apply in EduRec and accept the offer for the programme. <a href="#">Click here</a> for a step-by-step guide on applying for course mapping. Also note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Maximum of 2 courses (up to 10 units) can be mapped per summer / research programme during Special Term (May – August).</li> <li>● Maximum of 1 course (up to 5 units) can be mapped per winter / research programme during year-end vacation (December – January).</li> <li>● Total of 12 units from a maximum of 2 overseas summer/winter and research programmes can be mapped without having to pay NUS tuition. Additional units mapped will be subjected to Special Term fees. For details, visit the <a href="#">Registrar’s Office website</a>.</li> </ul>
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>		
9	<b>Visa Application</b>	<p><b>Students will need to obtain a Student Visa in order to attend a summer programme in the United States.</b></p> <p>For Boston University Summer Term, an I-20 document will be required to apply for the F-1 visa. To obtain a summer I-20 document, you must be a full-time student in the summer. Full time is defined as enrollment in 8 credits (typically two courses) in a six-week summer session or a minimum of 12 credits (typically three courses) if studying in both sessions.</p> <p>Once BU has registered you for your summer courses, BU will provide you with your summer I-20 document.</p> <p><b>How to obtain your F-1 student visa</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Pay the SEVIS fee to the US government and obtain a receipt.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Once you have submitted all required registration documents, you will be provided with your Boston University summer I-20 document. Instructions on how to pay the SEVIS fee will be included with your Boston University I-20 document. You will need your payment receipt to apply for your F-1 student visa at a US embassy or consulate</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. <b>Complete your visa application and schedule your F-1 visa appointment with your local US embassy or consulate.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Be sure to plan ahead, as the visa processing time for each US embassy and consulate varies. You must schedule this appointment in advance so that you have enough time to receive the F-1 visa before leaving your home country to come to the US.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

10	<b>Travel Advisories</b>	<p>For the latest advice for travel to the USA from Singapore’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs, please refer here: <a href="https://www.mfa.gov.sg/countries-regions/u/united-states/travel-page">https://www.mfa.gov.sg/countries-regions/u/united-states/travel-page</a></p>
11	<b>Student Insurance</b>	<p>NUS students embarking on a university-endorsed overseas programme are covered under NUS Travel Insurance. For more information on the coverage, please refer here:  <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a></p> <p>Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their summer programme.</p> <p>In addition, the state of Massachusetts requires all full and part-time international students who study on campus to submit proof of immunization against the following communicable diseases: measles, mumps, rubella (MMR); tetanus (must be Tdap vaccine); hepatitis B; (bacterial) meningitis; varicella; and tuberculosis (depending on country of origin).</p> <p>Once you have been registered for Summer Term, the BU Summer Sessions Office will provide instructions on how to upload your vaccination history to the BU’s Patient Connect portal.</p> <p>If you are not in compliance with all Boston University immunization requirements when you arrive on the BU campus, you will have seven days to obtain the necessary vaccination(s) or you will be considered non-compliant. You may obtain vaccinations (by scheduling an appointment in advance) at:</p> <p><b><a href="#">Student Health Services</a></b>  <b>881 Commonwealth Avenue</b>  <b>Boston, MA 02215</b>  <b>Phone: +1 617-353-3575</b>  <b>Medical insurance</b></p> <p>All international students enrolled during the summer are required to have medical insurance, and are automatically enrolled in and charged for Boston University’s Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP) as part of their registration. Students may waive enrollment in the SHIP if they are enrolled in a comparable US-based insurance plan. More information regarding the SHIP waiver requirement can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Two levels of individual coverage are available: Basic and Plus. Students are charged at the Basic level with their registration and may request Plus coverage by emailing <a href="mailto:insmed@bu.edu">insmed@bu.edu</a> at least two weeks prior to the start of their summer courses.</p> <p>Students who register for the Summer 1 session or for both the Summer 1 and Summer 2 sessions are charged for enrollment in the Basic-level plan for the full summer coverage period of May 18–August 14, at a rate of \$829. Students who attend the Summer 1 session only should email <a href="mailto:insmed@bu.edu">insmed@bu.edu</a> prior to the</p>

		<p>end of their Summer 1 studies to request to change to the Summer 1 only coverage period of May 18–June 28, at a rate of \$391. Students who register for just the Summer 2 session are charged for enrollment in the Basic-level plan for the Summer 2 coverage period of June 29–August 14, at a rate of \$438.</p> <p><b>Student Health Services</b></p> <p>Boston University <a href="#">Student Health Services</a>, located at 881 Commonwealth Avenue, is available for urgent care issues by appointment, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm (opens at 10 am on Thursdays). Visiting summer students are charged a fee of US\$25 to your student account for each visit. If you receive blood work or immunizations, you will need to provide your insurance information or have charges billed to your student account.</p> <p>If you have a non-urgent issue that requires routine care, Student Health Services will work with you to provide a referral based on your insurance.</p> <p><a href="https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/health-records-medical-insurance/">https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/health-records-medical-insurance/</a></p>
12	<b>Contact Information</b>	<p>Questions about the programme? Contact the host university at: <a href="mailto:STpartnr@bu.edu">STpartnr@bu.edu</a></p> <p>Questions about course mapping? Please contact your <a href="#">faculty SEP coordinator</a>.</p> <p>Questions specific to NUS GRO? Contact us at <a href="mailto:global@nus.edu.sg">global@nus.edu.sg</a>.</p>

**Info correct as of 8 Jan 2025. Please check the BU Summer Term links for the most up-to-date info.**