

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
(updated as of January 2026)

Host University Information	http://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/
Programme Location	Boston, Massachusetts, USA
Programme Dates	Session 1: May 19—June 26, 2026 Session 2: June 29—August 7, 2026
Application Deadline	EduRec deadline: 15 May 2026 Boston deadline: Session 1 registration deadline: April 3, 2026 Session 2 registration deadline: May 15, 2026
No of Placements:	To be determined by host university

ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION

1	Programme Fee	Boston University will provide a waiver for NUS student for application fee, and 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 https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/estimated-expenses-financial-information/	
2	Projected Expenditure	Item	Estimated Cost US\$ (6-week session / 12-week session)
		Application fee – please use the following link: https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/	\$50 (waived using correct link)
		Tuition fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ min. 2 courses (8 credits) for one six-week summer session ▪ min. 3 courses (12 credits) for 12-week session 	\$6,760 / \$10,140 (before discount)
		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>	\$3,594 / \$7,188
		Student Services Fee	\$75
		Health Insurance	\$465 / \$872
		Books & Supplies	\$200 / \$300
		Incidentals	\$360 / \$540
		Total (before waiver and discount)	From \$11,504 / \$19,165

		<p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actual expenses may vary depending on courses taken and lifestyle. Please check Boston University's website for the confirmed costing. Above costings exclude flights, daily living expenses and personal expenditure
3	NUS Financial Aid	<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>For Singaporeans only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NUS Awards for Study Abroad (NASA) Enhancement Bursary Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) Funds Opportunity Enhancement Grant (OEG) <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>
PROGRAMME DETAILS		
4	Academic Content	For more information on the courses being offered during BU Summer Term, please refer here: https://www.bu.edu/summer/courses/
5	Eligibility Requirements	<p>NUS' generic eligibility requirements apply, please see GRO website for details.</p> <p>Boston University expects all international partner students to have a clean disciplinary record and a minimum grade average of B at their home institution.</p>
6	Accommodation	For more information on housing and dining (meal plan) options, please refer here: https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/housing-dining/
7	Application Procedure	<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: https://www.bu.edu/summer/international-partner-students/enroll-now/</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Submit the international partner student application. When submitting your application, you will be asked to upload various documents. These include a copy of your valid passport, financial documentation, and the Financial Sponsorship Certification if your studies will be financed by a family member or other individual. These documents may also be sent by email to STpartnr@bu.edu. Complete the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Waiver and send by email to STpartnr@bu.edu. <p>Once BU receives your application and all of your required documents, they</p>

		will register you for your summer courses and send you your summer I-20 immigration document.
8	Course Mapping	<p>All course mapping requests are subject to approval by the faculties/departments.</p> <p>Important: When applying for Short Term Programmes, make sure to choose only in-person courses or programmes, as these are the only ones eligible for Course Mapping. Following this guidance will help prevent any issues with your NUS home faculty or school during Course Mapping.</p> <p>You can start the course mapping process after you apply in EduRec and accept the offer for the programme. Click here for a step-by-step guide on applying for course mapping. Also note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum of 2 courses (up to 10 units) can be mapped per summer / research programme during Special Term (May – August). • Maximum of 1 course (up to 5 units) can be mapped per winter / research programme during year-end vacation (December – January). • 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 Registrar's Office website.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		
9	Visa Application	<p>Students will need to obtain a Student Visa in order to attend a summer programme in the United States.</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>How to obtain your F-1 student visa</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Once you receive your Boston University I-20 document, please pay the SEVIS fee to the US government and obtain a receipt. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 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. 2. Complete your visa application and schedule your F-1 visa appointment with your local US embassy or consulate. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be sure to plan ahead, as visa appointment and processing times at some US embassies and consulates are lengthy. You must schedule your visa 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.

10	Travel Advisories	For the latest advice for travel to the USA from Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, please refer here: https://www.mfa.gov.sg/countries-regions/u/united-states/travel-page
11	Student Insurance	<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:</p> <p>https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</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, Massachusetts law requires all full-time and international students who study on campus to be immunized against certain communicable diseases. Students must have these immunizations to remain in compliance with University requirements. Immunizations include: measles, mumps, rubella (MMR); tetanus (must be Tdap vaccine); hepatitis B; (bacterial) meningitis; varicella; and tuberculosis testing, depending on country of origin.</p> <p>Your healthcare provider can provide proof of vaccination with the dates of each immunization. Once you are registered for Summer Term, the office will send instructions for uploading your vaccination records to BU's Patient Connect portal. You will need an active BU login and Kerberos password to access the portal.</p> <p>Students who are not in compliance with BU's immunization requirements upon arrival will have 7 days to receive required vaccinations. Appointments can be scheduled in advance at Student Health Services by calling 617-353-3575.</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 that 1) meets the coverage requirements and 2) is underwritten in the US. Please note that just because an insurance company is "based in" or has "offices in" the US does not mean it is underwritten in the US. More information regarding the SHIP waiver requirement can be found on this webpage.</p> <p>Boston University's Student Health Insurance Plan rates for summer 2026 and more information on Student Health Services (SHS) are provided here.</p>
12	Contact Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Questions about the programme? Contact the host university at: STpartnr@bu.edu ▪ Questions about course mapping? Please contact your faculty SEP coordinator. ▪ Questions specific to NUS GRO? Contact us at global@nus.edu.sg.