



# BOSTON COLLEGE

## **IMPORTANT**

### **Student Visa Application Information**

The regulations of the U.S. Immigration authorities require all international students to provide evidence that they have sufficient financial resources to meet their expenses while studying at U.S. universities. In addition, U.S. universities are required to report biographical and immigration information to U.S. Immigration authorities on all international students and any dependents who will be accompanying them to the U.S. These requirements must be met before a university can authorize any documents for a prospective international student and his/her dependents. Students usually satisfy the financial requirement through personal/family resources, support from their home governments, or other sources.

We have enclosed a Confidential Declaration and Certification of Finances Form which must be **completed and certified** in order for us to award an I-20 form which you will need to obtain an F-1 Student Visa (or a DS2019 form needed to obtain a J-1 Exchange Visitor Visa). Students who plan to bring dependents with them to Boston College should contact us immediately for additional certification forms. All documents **must be postmarked by May 1, 2013**, in order for Boston College to provide you with the necessary documents in a timely manner. (We recommend sending this form via courier.) The estimate of student expenses for the 2013-2014 academic year is \$67,854. A breakdown of student expenses is detailed below. You must show that you have access to these funds in order to enter the United States as a student.

We are keenly aware that the financial requirement may pose serious difficulties for many international students, but unfortunately, the University has no alternative in this matter. We sincerely hope that this will not prove to be an insurmountable barrier to your pursuit of education at Boston College.

#### Estimate of Undergraduate Student Expenses for the 2013-2014 Academic Year (in US Dollars):

Tuition	\$44,870
Fees	1,210
Room and Board	12,884
Books and Supplies	2,000*
Health Insurance	2,290**
Personal Expenses	4,600*
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$67,854</b>

\*The amounts listed for Books and Supplies and Personal Expenses are estimated, unbilled costs. These amounts may increase or decrease depending on a student's personal spending habits.

\*\*The amount listed for Health Insurance is an estimated, billed cost.

#### **COMPLETE THE ENCLOSED FORM AND RETURN WITH REQUIRED DOCUMENTS VIA COURIER TO:**

Boston College, Office of Undergraduate Admission  
Devlin Hall 208, 140 Commonwealth Avenue  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467-3809  
USA  
Telephone: (617) 552-3100

**BOSTON COLLEGE**  
**CONFIDENTIAL DECLARATION & CERTIFICATION OF FINANCES FORM**  
**FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

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The purpose of this form is to certify that you will have the sum of **\$67,854** for your first year of study at Boston College, *exclusive of travel expenses*, and to obtain your biographical and immigration information. Students planning on remaining in the States for the full calendar year (12 months) should add \$4,500 to this total. **Students will be required to submit an updated financial certification annually.** A Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 for an F-1 Visa or Form DS2019 for a J-1 Exchange Visitor Visa) and immigration forms will not be issued unless this form is completed and the necessary certifications are obtained. It is strongly recommended that you make copies of this form and required documents before returning them to Boston College as you will need to show proof of adequate funding to U.S. Consular officials when applying for a visa. Students who plan to bring dependents with them to Boston College should contact us immediately for additional certification forms.

In computing expenses, you should remember that students holding a Student (F-1) or an Exchange Visitor (J-1) visa will not be authorized to work except under extraordinary circumstances. Therefore, the applicant should not look to employment, either part-time during the academic year or full-time during the summer, as a means of support while at Boston College. Spouses who accompany students to the U.S. on the F-2 visa are not permitted to accept any kind of paid employment in the U.S.

**PART 1: STUDENT INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Family Name / Surname First Name

Undergraduate Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_  
(Arts & Sciences, Management, Nursing, Education)

Permanent E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Start Date at Boston College: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

**Permanent/Home Address:**  
(Non-U.S. address; **must be provided in all cases**, even if you are currently on a U.S. visa and living in the U.S.):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Mailing Address for Immigration Forms:**  
(Provide best address for mailing via courier; **P.O. BOXES are not acceptable.**)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Address where you are currently living:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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If you are currently living in the U.S., provide **current** visa status **as of today:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(F-1 Student, J-1 Exchange Visitor, B-2 Tourist, H-1 Temporary Worker, F-2 or J-2 Dependent, etc.)

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
City, Country

Country of citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Country of permanent residence \_\_\_\_\_

If you are married and/or have children and plan to bring them to the US with you, please contact us for details.

**Note:** If your spouse or children will accompany you to the U.S., add \$5,000 for spouse and \$3,000 per child to above amount.

In case of emergency, are there sources of additional funds available to you once you arrive in the U.S.?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

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## PART 2: SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Instructions: Complete the appropriate boxes to show sources and amounts of anticipated contributions to your educational and personal expenses while you are studying in the United States. For each source, follow the certification instructions in the box. Include anticipated contributions for each year of required study for your degree objective: (a Bachelor's degree will take four years to complete).

SOURCES OF FUNDS	ASSURED AMOUNTS IN U.S. \$			
	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
<b>PERSONAL SAVINGS</b> An official letter from a bank, and a parent's or sponsor's signature is required on the certification below if the student is supported in part or whole by personal savings. See instructions below.	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>YOUR GOVERNMENT</b> - Please print the name of the agency. _____ Enclose with this form an original signed copy of your letter of award and a translation (if necessary).	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>OTHER</b> -Please specify:	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL</b> - Each of these totals should equal at least \$67,854 US, the estimate of total costs for one year at Boston College.	\$	\$	\$	\$

Enter the total amount of money you expect to have when you arrive at Boston College: U.S.\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION OF SOURCES OF FUNDS AND AMOUNTS FOR PERSONAL SAVINGS

Please complete both sections #1 and #2

#### 1. BANK LETTER

You should obtain an original letter on bank stationery which indicates availability of the necessary funds. This letter should include: confirmation of the necessary funds, the name and address of the bank, the date of the letter, and a signature and title of a bank official. PLEASE NOTE: The letter should not be vague and should reference a **specific dollar amount** of available funds. As an example, listing "available funds in the six figures" is not considered specific.

#### 2. GUARANTOR'S SIGNATURE

This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the applicant on this form, that it is a true and accurate statement, and that the funds are available and will be provided as indicated.

Guarantor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guarantor's Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Guarantor to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the total amount of money (excluding travel funds) available to me for my first academic year in the United States is U.S. \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Further, I certify that the above information provided is true and accurate.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year