

# BOSTON COLLEGE URBAN EDUCATION

*Boston College is committed to urban education in the both the surrounding neighborhoods and global community. Through the Lynch School's many partnerships and associations, there are many ways to become involved and exposed to urban education.*

## URBAN INSTITUTE .....

An institute developed in 2008 to assist graduate students and professional educators in obtaining the knowledge and skills necessary to be effective in their roles of providing educational services to youth in urban schools.

It consists of a series of courses, workshops, and presentations during the summer and throughout the academic year. The ultimate goal is to provide both aspiring and professional teachers, counselors, and educational administrators with academically challenging courses and other educational experiences that are responsive to the needs of urban students and their families, schools, and communities.

## ..... URBAN OUTREACH INITIATIVES

College Bound, in its 22nd year, is a school/university academic enrichment and support program that benefits urban high school students and is designed to assist students in gaining access to and achieving success in graduating from post-secondary educational institutions.

Step UP! is a collaboration between Boston College, BU, Harvard, Northeastern, and Tufts with the intent to improve test scores and college attendance at ten of the city's underperforming public schools.

## URBAN CATHOLIC TEACHING .....

From partnerships at urban Catholic schools through the *Boston Connects* program to the sponsorship of educational conferences focussed on improving Catholic education, the Lynch School offers countless opportunities to become involved in this growing field. With the support of the Center for Catholic Education, the Lynch School offers concentrations in Catholic Leadership along with providing financial awards for those committed to urban Catholic education.

## ..... URBAN PRACTICUM EXPERIENCE

The opportunity to complete either a full or pre-practicum placement at a private or public urban school is available through Lynch School's partnerships in the surrounding community and beyond.

## DIVERSITY CHALLENGE .....

A two-day conference on racial and cultural issues that includes panel discussion/symposia, workshops, structured discussions, and individual presentations by invited experts and selected guests including educators, administrators, researchers, mental health professionals, and community organizations.

*For more information on any of these programs and opportunities, please contact the Office of Graduate Admission, Financial Aid, and Student Services at 617-552-4214 or [gsoe@bc.edu](mailto:gsoe@bc.edu).*

