THE FIFTH YEAR PROGRAM

Detailed info on the Fifth Year Program is available on the Lynch School’s website: http://www.bc.edu/schools/lsoe/academics/undergrad/fifthyr.html

If you would like to speak to someone regarding the Fifth Year Application Process, you can contact Graduate Admissions at gsoe@bc.edu. You can also contact our main office at (617) 552-4214 or the 5th year advisors at 5thyear@bc.edu.

Application Timeline

Applicants to the Fifth Year Program are encouraged to submit their applications by March 1, 2015. Notification regarding the decision will be made in June 2015.

If applicants are abroad and cannot make the March 1st deadline, they are still encouraged to apply, but they may not receive their decision until Summer 2015. These applicants should contact the Graduate Office to

Application Checklist

Application Form

We use an online application system Embark, which can be accessed through our website: http://www.bc.edu/schools/lsoe/gradadmission/applying/requirements.html

To indicate you are applying for the Fifth Year Program, please fill out the application by selecting the following items:

• *Intended Entrance Term: Summer 2016*
• *If you are applying for a Dual/Joint Degree Program or the 5th Year Program, please indicate your program here: 5th year/Early Admit*
• *Are you a current Boston College student? Yes*  
  o If yes, what is your graduation date? **05/2016**
• *Are you a current Boston College Junior Applying for the undergraduate 5th Year Program? Yes*

Application Fee

As a current BC student, your application fee is waived. Do not pay the fee!

Supporting Documents

The following materials are required to apply:

- [ ] 2 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
- [ ] BC UNDERGRADUATE TRANSCRIPT
**Personal Statement**
Your personal statement can be uploaded directly to your Embark application. The personal statement should be 2-3 pages double spaced. It should address your motivation for applying to the program and how your previous experience(s) qualify you for graduate work.

**Resume**
Your resume can also be directly uploaded to your Embark application.

**Letters of Recommendation**
Two letters of recommendation are required. When you fill out your embark application, you will have the opportunity to fill out your recommenders’ contact information. Your recommenders can then submit their recommendations electronically.

Your letters should be from professors who have taught you in class. It is most helpful if the recommenders can comment on your skills in completing research projects, papers, and/or presentations.

**Transcript**
Request (via Agora) an official transcript be sent for the March 1st deadline to our Data Processing Center. That address is:

Boston College Lynch School of Education  
Data Processing Center  
P.O. Box 8027  
Portsmouth, NH 03802

Please note, an official final transcript is required once you graduate Boston College if you wish to enroll in the graduate school.

**GRE General Test**
Schedule your appointment to take the GRE by going to their website: www.ets.org. You should be able to get an appointment relatively quickly. The closest testing center is on Beacon Street in Brookline at the Washington Square T Stop (C Line).

Your GRE Scores can be sent directly to our Data Processing Center:

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To prepare for the test, you can buy a study guide (for example Kaplan’s). Make sure the guide comes with a CD. The test is administered on a computer and the CD will have practice questions to prepare you for the test's format.