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| **International Assistant Application**  **2022-2023** |

***Directions: First step is to click on File & download the application as Microsoft Word (.Docx). Once the application is downloaded, please complete all the required fields and essays. Please save and e-mail this application and essays as one PDF file to bcis@bc.edu. Please name the file in the following format: LAST NAME\_NEWIAAPP.pdf. If you cannot send it as a PDF, you can send it as a Word doc. The application deadline is: March 14th, 2022.***

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| **Applicant Information** |

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| Full Name: |  |  |  |
|  | Last Name (Surname) |  | First Name (Given Name) |

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| Local Address: |  |
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| Phone: |  | BC Email: |  |
| City/State/Country of Origin: |  | Pronouns: |  |

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| Current GPA: |  | School: |  | Graduation Date: |  |
| Major: |  | Minor: |  |  |  |

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| Were you admitted as a: |  | Freshman |  | Transfer |

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| Have you ever applied to be an IA before? |  | Yes |  | No | If Yes, when: |  |

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| **Extracurricular Activities** |

**Be as detailed as possible, including work and volunteer experiences, years of involvement, time commitment and responsibilities. You may also submit a resume if you prefer. Freshman applicants, please feel free to include activities from high school.**

*Example:*

*Volunteer Tutor, Boston College Neighborhood Center (2020-2021) - 2 hours per week*

* *Tutored 4th grade students on a weekly basis on math, English, and science*
* *Consulted with teachers and parents regarding student progress and learning strategies*

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| **Additional Information** |

**Use this space to provide any other information about yourself which demonstrates your interest in other cultures or your experience working with diverse groups (unique experiences at B.C., travel experiences, study-abroad experiences, exchange programs, language study, etc.):**

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**How did you hear about the International Assistant Program (check all that apply)?**

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|  | Email/letter from OISS |  | From a BC office |  |
|  | From a friend |  | Campus newspaper: |  |
|  | From current IA |  | BC or OISS website |  |
|  | From an international student |  | In a class |  |
|  | Email from student |  | Banner on campus |  |
|  | Social media |  | Other: |  |
|  | ICBC/OISS information session |  |  |  |

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| **Short Answer Questions** |

**Short Answer Questions Instructions: Respond to the two questions and scenario below. Please limit your responses to NO MORE THAN one page per question, double-spaced, using 12-point font size.**

**1. What is something unique about yourself, and how do you feel it can be an asset to your role as an IA in terms of being committed and helping you be a good mentor?**

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**2. What do you think are the greatest challenges faced by freshman international students at Boston College? How would you help your students overcome these challenges? What lessons do you remember from your freshman year or a time when you were new to a situation that might help your students adjust?**

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**Scenario Instructions: The following scenario is an example of the responsibilities and the importance of International Assistants in helping freshmen international students adjust to the U.S., Boston, and Boston College. Please address the following items in your response:**

1) Identify the issue(s)/problem(s) at hand.

2) What is the IA’s overall responsibility in such a situation? What do you believe are your responsibilities and what are your limits?

3) What would your response be to this situation?

4) Identify, if any, the BC resources you would use or to which you would refer your student.

5) How would you follow up on your initial response to the situation throughout the semester/year?

**Scenario Description**

Wendan is a freshman international student. It is the end of October. Wendan’s IA has invited her to group activities, and she comes sometimes; however, she is always surrounded by other students from her home country speaking their native language. Wendan lives with two American roommates. Wendan’s IA is friends with one of her roommates who says that she is constantly on Skype or WeChat speaking with friends and family from home, and avoids interaction with her other roommates. Furthermore, Wendan typically only hangs out with people from her country on the weekends. Wendan’s IA has reached out multiple times to ask if she needs any help or has any questions about adjusting to life at BC, but she hasn’t responded. Her IA is wondering about the different reasons as to why this might be.

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