



# BOSTON COLLEGE

## 2018–2019 GRADUATE FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please use this sheet to check off the required financial aid application components as you complete them. No action can be taken until all application information has been received. Please be sure to answer all questions on both the Boston College financial aid application and FAFSA, including the asset section of the FAFSA regardless of tax return status. Incomplete applications will delay the review of your file.

You may check the status of your application online at [www.bc.edu/finaidapp](http://www.bc.edu/finaidapp). Students with a BC username and password can also check their status through My Services at [www.bc.edu/myservices](http://www.bc.edu/myservices). If you have specific questions regarding the 2018–2019 financial aid process, contact the Office of Student Services at 1-800-294-0294 or 617-552-3300.

### STEP 1

#### Complete 2018–2019 FAFSA

- Available online after October 1, 2017 at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- Boston College’s federal school code is 002128.
- FAFSA on the web includes an IRS Data Retrieval tool for initial and renewal applications. This feature enables the transfer of tax return data from an IRS website directly to your FAFSA. It is strongly encouraged that you use this feature if available to you. For more information, visit [www.bc.edu/irsdata](http://www.bc.edu/irsdata).
- You may be selected for Federal Verification by the Department of Education. If you are, it will be indicated on your Student Aid Report (SAR). Please carefully review your SAR for any additional requirements. Your FAFSA data needs to reflect your actual 2016 federal income tax return data, which can be provided by selecting the IRS Data Retrieval option on the FAFSA. If you do not select this option, upon notification, you will need to obtain a 2016 tax return transcript from the IRS and provide this transcript to Boston College.
- **Note:** You will need an FSA ID to electronically sign your FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA. If you do not have or do not remember your FSA ID, visit [fsaid.ed.gov](http://fsaid.ed.gov).

### STEP 2

#### Complete the 2018–2019 Boston College Graduate Financial Aid Application

- Complete every question on the 2018–2019 application. If a question does not apply, please note “N/A” in the blank provided. **If any questions are left blank, it may delay the review of your file.**
- Both student and student’s spouse (if applicable) must sign and date this form.
- The application form and instructions can be downloaded at [www.bc.edu/finaidgradforms](http://www.bc.edu/finaidgradforms).
- Copy your application for your records prior to sending it in for review.

**Application materials should be sent to:** Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center  
P.O. Box 67486  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

### APPLICATION PRIORITY FILING DATES

#### SUMMER Loan and/or Summer Federal Work-Study Applicants

**Priority Filing Date for FAFSA: February 5, 2018**

Date submitted \_\_\_\_\_

**Priority Filing Date for BC Financial Aid Application: February 5, 2018**

Date sent to the BC Financial Aid Processing Center \_\_\_\_\_

#### ACADEMIC YEAR ONLY Applicants

**Priority Filing Date for FAFSA: March 1, 2018**

Date submitted \_\_\_\_\_

**Priority Filing Date for BC Financial Aid Application: March 1, 2018**

Date sent to the BC Financial Aid Processing Center \_\_\_\_\_

## MESSAGE TO LATE APPLICANTS

In order to be considered for federal financial aid, your application and processed FAFSA must be received by us before the end of the enrollment period. Application materials that are received after the following dates cannot be processed and federal financial aid cannot be received:

- June 18, 2018 for summer 2018 only
- November 5, 2018 for summer and fall 2018
- April 8, 2019 for academic year (fall and spring 2019)

## 2018–2019 TUITION DEADLINES

### September 7 2018–2019 Fall Tuition

Tuition bills for the 2018–2019 fall semester will be sent electronically to registered students in mid-August. Tuition payments are due by September 7, 2018. You may deduct the aid you are expecting for the fall semester from the bill. If you still owe a balance to the school, you are expected to pay that balance no later than the due date.

**Deadline: September 7, 2018**

Date Tuition Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

### January 11 2018–2019 Spring Tuition

Tuition bills for the 2018–2019 spring semester will be sent electronically to registered students in mid-December. Tuition payments are due by January 11, 2019. You may deduct the aid you are expecting for the spring semester from the bill. If you still owe a balance to the school, you are expected to pay that balance no later than the due date.

**Deadline: January 11, 2019**

Date Tuition Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCIAL AID TRANSCRIPTS AND HEALTH PROFESSION STUDENTS

### Financial Aid Transcripts and Health Profession Students

Incoming Graduate School of Nursing students who received educational financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will be required to have a Financial Aid Transcript (FAT) completed by each post-secondary educational institution previously attended before federal financial aid funds can be disbursed and credited to their account since HHS/DSA student borrower information is not currently available from the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS). An incoming graduate nursing student who has indicated receiving financial assistance for a previous health profession program will be sent further information and a blank FAT form, which may be photocopied and sent to each institution previously attended.

## 2018–2019 FEDERAL DIRECT STAFFORD LOAN AND GRADUATE OR PROFESSIONAL STUDENT PLUS LOAN APPLICATIONS

All Federal Direct Stafford and Grad PLUS loans are processed through the Federal Direct Loan Program. You must complete all application requirements, and you will be notified of your eligibility for financial aid for 2018–2019. If you completed a Master Promissory Note (MPN) for a Federal Direct Stafford and/or a Grad PLUS for a prior year, you will not have to complete another MPN. Once your loan(s) have been originated, they will be linked to your existing MPN. You must reapply for a Grad PLUS loan each year. To apply for a Grad PLUS loan visit the U.S. Department of Education website at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov), and please note that PLUS loan borrowers cannot have an adverse credit history. When you apply for a Direct PLUS Loan, the Department of Education will check your credit history. If you are determined to have an adverse credit history, you may still receive a Direct PLUS Loan if you obtain an endorser who does not have an adverse credit history. Detailed information about the Federal Direct Loan Program can be found on the Student Services website at [www.bc.edu/stafford](http://www.bc.edu/stafford).

## STUDENT LOAN DISBURSEMENTS

Federal financial aid regulations require that all Federal Direct Stafford Loan funds be disbursed in two equal installments for loan periods longer than one semester. Therefore, summer/fall and spring applicants will receive three separate loan disbursements—two during the summer/fall loan period and one during the spring period. The first disbursement for each loan period will be scheduled for the beginning of the loan period, and the second disbursement for each loan period will be scheduled for the midpoint of the loan period. The loan proceeds will not be credited toward your bill until the funds have been received. ***Students must plan ahead and be prepared to pay for books and/or living expenses until the funds have been disbursed.*** Detailed information about the Federal Direct Stafford loan can be found at [www.bc.edu/stafford](http://www.bc.edu/stafford).

## PRIVATE ALTERNATIVE LOANS

Information about private alternative education loans can be found at [www.bc.edu/altloans](http://www.bc.edu/altloans).

## BOSTON COLLEGE INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS

Boston College Institutional funds (assistantships, fellowships, grants, scholarships, stipends, and tuition remission) are awarded by the individual graduate schools. Students who wish to be considered for institutional funds should contact the appropriate graduate school. Notice of receipt of these awards are electronically forwarded to the Office of Student Services by the individual graduate schools to ensure proper coordination of all University financial aid resources as required by federal financial aid regulations. **Total financial aid cannot exceed total calculated federal eligibility. If your total financial aid resources, including assistantships, fellowships, grants, scholarships, non-service stipends, and tuition remission exceeds your total calculated federal eligibility, an adjustment to your financial assistance is required. Depending on the timing of the notification from the academic department, it is very possible that adjustments to your award will be made anytime after the start of the academic year. These adjustments may necessitate the return of loan proceeds that have already been disbursed and may create a balance on your student account.**

## DEFERMENT OF PRIOR FEDERAL EDUCATION LOAN(S)

Under certain circumstances, you may qualify for a deferment for prior federal education loan(s) that you have borrowed. If you are enrolled at least half-time in a degree or certificate program, you may qualify for a deferment. These loans may include Federal Direct or FFEL Stafford Loans, or Federal Perkins Loans. Information about deferment provisions is available at the United States Department of Education website at [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov). Click on the link "How to Repay Your Loans." You also may contact your lender or loan servicer for information about a possible deferment of your prior federal education loans.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Include student Eagle ID number on each page of your application material and mail to:

Boston College  
Financial Aid Processing Center  
P.O. Box 67486  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

If you have any questions regarding the 2018–2019 financial aid process, contact the Office of Student Services at (800) 294-0294 prior to the priority filing dates noted above.

**Financial aid renewal is not automatic. Students must reapply for financial aid each year in which they would like to be considered for assistance.** You may check the status of your application online at [www.bc.edu/finaidapp](http://www.bc.edu/finaidapp). Students with a BC username and password can also check their status through My Services at [www.bc.edu/myservices](http://www.bc.edu/myservices).

*Financial aid applications completed after the priority filing date may be considered late and will be reviewed as time and funds permit.*

All aid application forms, correspondence, and supporting documents, including federal tax returns, become the property of Boston College once submitted to the Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center. The Office of Student Services at Boston College is committed to becoming a paperless environment. All submitted materials are imaged and the paper originals are destroyed within 30 days of receipt. Therefore, the University is unable to return original documents to students or their families.



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All students applying for financial assistance and his/her spouse (if applicable) are required to complete all sections, attach requested documentation, and sign this form. Include your name and Eagle ID number in the upper-right hand corner of all correspondence. The 2018–2019 financial aid application will not be considered complete nor can an award be made until all forms are properly completed, signed, and received by the BC Financial Aid Processing Center. Keep copies of all forms you submit for your records. **Please note that students must reapply for financial aid each year. Students must plan ahead and be prepared to pay for books and/or living expenses until the funds have been disbursed.**

### 1. STUDENT GENERAL INFORMATION

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Eagle ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Permanent Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
mm/dd/yyyy

Student Cell Phone Number (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: Your BC e-mail account will be used.

Student Marital Status:  Single  Married  Divorced/Separated  Widowed

Spouse's Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. ENROLLMENT

**Please note: Your Cost of Attendance will be partially based on your answers to the following enrollment questions. Failure to complete this section will delay action on your application for assistance.**

What is your expected graduation date (month and year)?  May 20\_\_\_\_  August 20\_\_\_\_  December 20\_\_\_\_

Which Graduate School will you be enrolled in for the 2018–2019 academic year?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate School of the Morrissey College of Arts and Sciences | <input type="checkbox"/> Lynch School of Education          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carroll School of Management                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Woods College of Advancing Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boston College School of Social Work                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Connell School of Nursing*         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School of Theology and Ministry                               |   |

\*If you will be enrolling in the Connell School of Nursing, have you ever received educational financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services?  Yes  No

During 2018–2019, what will be your program of study at Boston College?

- Certificate (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_  Master's degree  Doctoral degree

In 2018–2019, what will be your major? \_\_\_\_\_

In 2018–2019, in which year will you be in your Graduate Program?

- 1st  2nd  3rd  4th  Doctoral Continuation  Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be considered for Federal Direct Stafford Loans you must be enrolled at least half-time (6 credits in most cases). **Do not leave blank. A number of credits is required. Your application will not be reviewed if spaces are left blank.** If you are not sure how many credits you are taking, please consult your department. If you are in Doctoral Continuation, include one credit per semester.

Summer 2018\* \_\_\_\_\_ credits      Fall 2018 \_\_\_\_\_ credits

Spring 2019 \_\_\_\_\_ credits

\*If you will be enrolled at least half-time during the summer **2018**, do you want to be considered for a summer Federal Direct Stafford Loan?

- Yes  No

Do you wish to be considered for summer Federal Work-Study?  Yes  No

Refer to the instruction sheet concerning deadlines for applying for summer loans or summer Federal Work-Study. Incoming students admitted for the 2018–2019 academic year are not eligible for summer Federal Work-Study.

Will you be enrolled in a Dual Degree Program during the 2018–2019 academic year?  Yes  No

If yes, indicate which programs \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, in which program will you be enrolled for the fall semester? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, in which program will you be enrolled for the spring semester? \_\_\_\_\_

List all colleges previously attended including summer schools. You may be asked to provide a Financial Aid Transcript(s).

Institution	Dates Attended
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List sources and amounts of any assistance expected during 2018–2019 from sources other than Federal Financial Aid. Include the following: assistantships, fellowships, grants, scholarships, non-service stipends, and tuition remission from your department and/or employer reimbursement.

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**\*Please note: The above listed sources of nonfederal financial aid will be listed on your e-award as “estimated aid.”**

**3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/COMMENTS**

(Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

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**4. STATEMENTS AND SIGNATURES**

I, the student, or we, the student and student's spouse, certify that all information presented is correct at this time and that I/we will send timely notice of any significant change in my/our family situation, family income or assets, or upon receipt of other scholarships or grants. If I am selected as a recipient of a Boston College endowed or donor-sponsored award, I agree to allow the release of pertinent information by college officials.

I, the student, affirm that I will be attending Boston College on at least a half-time basis and that I must maintain satisfactory progress in the course of study that I am pursuing according to the standards and practices of Boston College. In addition, I authorize Boston College to retain Federal Financial Aid funds to cover the cost of tuition, fees, room, board, and other costs associated with my attendance at Boston College. If at any time I wish to change this authorization, I understand that I must notify the Office of Student Services in writing of the change.

**The student and the student's spouse (if applicable) must sign and date this form. Please note original signatures required.**

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please note: it is the responsibility of the student and the student's spouse to ensure that all required forms are received by the stated deadlines. All deadlines are published in our 2018–2019 Graduate Financial Aid Application Instructions sheet. All summer correspondence is sent by the Office of Student Services to the student's permanent home address that is maintained in the student record system.

Send this completed and signed application to: Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center  
P.O. Box 67486  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

**Notice of Nondiscrimination**

Founded by the Society of Jesus in 1863, Boston College is dedicated to intellectual excellence and to its Jesuit, Catholic heritage. Boston College recognizes the essential contribution a diverse community of students, faculty and staff makes to the advancement of its goals and ideals in an atmosphere of respect for one another and for the University's mission and heritage. Accordingly, Boston College commits itself to maintaining a welcoming environment for all people and extends its welcome in particular to those who may be vulnerable to discrimination on the basis of their race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, age, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, military status, or other legally protected status.

Boston College rejects and condemns all forms of harassment, wrongful discrimination and disrespect. It has developed procedures to respond to incidents of harassment whatever the basis or circumstance. Moreover, it is the policy of Boston College, while reserving its lawful rights where appropriate to take actions designed to promote the Jesuit, Catholic principles that sustain its mission and heritage, to comply with all state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination in employment and in its educational programs on the basis of a person's race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, age, marital or parental status, genetic information or family medical history, or military status, and to comply with state law prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a person's sexual orientation.

To this end, Boston College has designated its Executive Director for Institutional Diversity to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities to prevent discrimination in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI, Title IX, Section 504 and the ADA. Any applicant for admission or employment, and all students, faculty members and employees, are welcome to raise any questions regarding this notice with the Executive Director for Institutional Diversity:

Boston College Office for Institutional Diversity (OID)  
140 Commonwealth Avenue (Office location: 129 Lake Street)  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467  
Patricia Lowe,  
Executive Director for Institutional Diversity/Title IX Coordinator  
patricia.lowe@bc.edu  
Phone: 617-552-3334  
Email: TitleIXCoordinator@bc.edu

The Executive Director for Institutional Diversity oversees the efforts of the following additional Title IX coordinators: (i) Student Affairs Title IX Coordinator (for student sexual harassment complaints), Maloney Hall, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467, Melinda Stoops, reachable at 617-552-3482; (ii) University Harassment Counselor, reachable via OID (see above contact information); and (iii) Jocelyn Fisher Gates, Athletics Title IX Coordinator, the Senior Women's Administrator, 310 Conte Forum, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467, reachable at 617-552-8303.

In addition, any person who believes that an act of unlawful discrimination has occurred at Boston College may raise this issue with the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education.