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Come See SFS In-Person!

Student Financial Services is excited to be operating on a hybrid work schedule! Stop our office in <u>suite B-401</u> in the Robinson Building where you can meet with an SFS staff member in-person Monday through Friday. While transitioning back into the office, we will still maintain the Zoom virtual office hours. Each session is now open to all students from the BUSM, GMS, SDM or SPH. Please note if multiple students have joined a Zoom session at the same time, you will first be placed in the virtual waiting room until we are available to meet with you.

Any day you are thinking about visiting us in-person or attending the virtual office hours, please check the <u>SFS</u> <u>Contact Us</u> page first to confirm our hours of availability that day as they will continue to be updated throughout that summer.

Fall 2021 Bill Settlement

Have you applied for financial aid for Fall 2021?

If you will be enrolled in classes for the 2021-22 school year, please visit <u>GMS Applying for Aid page</u> for all relevant application information. The Fall 2021 or Spring 2022 Application Requirements section includes links to the 2021-22 FAFSA and the 2021-22 GMS Financial Aid Application. Please note, in order to receive federal financial aid during a period of enrollment you must be enrolled in at least 6 credits.

Fall 2021 Payment Deadlines

Please view the bill due date for the fall 2021 semester on the Student Accounting Services <u>page</u>. Some financial aid will not disburse until your first day of fall classes. You do not need to prepay tuition and fees if ample financial aid is secured by the bill deadline. If your pending financial aid covers your fall bill, you won't incur any late fees or holds on your student account. Please visit the link provided or email <u>studenta@bu.edu</u> with any payment or billing questions unrelated to financial aid processing.

Other SFS Reminders

Loan Adjustments Request

If you need to adjust your financial aid award to reduce the amount of loans you wish to borrow or for a change in your enrollment plans please contact our office by email at <u>osfs-</u> <u>gms@bu.edu</u> and we will adjust your account. Please remember to include your name and BU ID in the email when communicating the change request. It is best to wait until charges for fall 2021 and financial aid has been posted on your student account, so that you can then be sure of the changes you are requesting.

2021-22 Work Study Funding

If you have contacted our office to inquire about work study funding for the 2021-2022 year, we will be including more information on eligibility and how to apply in the August/September newsletter.

Free Financial Wellness Resources

SFS has partnered with **AccessLex**, a non-profit that offers free financial education programming and resources to help students and graduates manage their finances and loan repayment. We recommend you check out AccessLex's webinar, <u>The Road to</u> <u>Zero: A Strategic Approach to Student Loan Repayment</u>. The webinar is usually offered twice a month. You can also <u>set up a</u> <u>free 1:1 meeting</u> with one of their Accredited Financial Counselors to discuss your specific loans and repayment strategies.



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