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Dear GMS Master Students,

GMS Website Links: contains all the pertinent information to complete the registration process. Refer to the webpages: [Students](#) | [Registration](#) | [Calendar](#) | [Tuition & Financial Aid](#) | [GMS Student Forms](#) | [MyBU Portal](#).

Spring 2026 Registration Opens on **October 24, 2025.**

- **Tuition Payment Deadline:** Payment deadlines are available on the [Student Accounting Services](#) page.
- **May 2026 tentative graduates must submit a Diploma Application PRIOR to the **December 1, 2025, deadline.****
- **Spring 2026 **Online Registration** Begins on Friday, October 24th at 7:15 AM**

Degree Requirements

- MA and MS degree students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with their degree requirements and track their degree progress each semester. Degree requirements for each degree program are outlined in the [GMS Bulletin](#).

Registration

☐ **Meet with Advisor/Program Director:**

- **Prior to registering for any classes, all students must first meet with their** Advisor/Program Director to discuss course selections for online registration via the MYBU Student Portal.
- Check [MyBU Student](#) to confirm you are in compliance for registration. Upon logging in, you will see a Tasks section that may list any open activities required to complete the items below. If these requirements are not completed, you may have a Hold placed on your account. Holds will also be visible in MyBU Student.
- Please be aware that changing your unit load may have significant consequences. It can affect your tuition, financial aid eligibility, and if you're an international student—your visa status.
- **If you are changing from full-time to part-time status or vice versa** and need your tuition adjusted, please notify GMSRegistrar@bu.edu as soon as possible.

Advising Hold

- *Advising holds will not be released to any matriculated students who failed to submit official degree awarded transcripts to GMS Admissions or their Academic Code of Conduct form to GMS Student Affairs Office.*

Registration Requirements

- All students are required to register continuously each semester until completion of all degree requirements.
- **MYBU Student Portal:** All GMS courses offered for the **Spring 2026** semester can be accessed through the MyBU Student Portal.
- **Add / Drop a Course Restricted Courses:** courses which are *restricted from online registration*, students must submit an Add/Drop Form via the GMS Student Forms online submission (see links in header).
- **Review General Registration page** for courses that students **MAY NOT** register for and will not count towards a degree: [GMS General Registration Page](#)
- **Please pay close attention to all Academic Deadlines especially last day to Add or Drop courses and Withdrawal dates:** Graduation, Registrar Calendars, Payment Deadlines listed on the [GMS Academic Calendars webpage](#).

Continuing Students Part-time or may Certified Full-time Status:

- A student registered for fewer than 12 units but otherwise engaged in full-time study, e.g., by participating in research pertinent to the completion of degree requirements, or gaining competence in the field of study, may be certified as a full-time student. Such students must submit the Certified Full-Time Form to the GMS registrar during the official registration period.
- Please review the [Certified Full Time](#) policy before submitting the CFT form. **If eligible submit Certified Full Time (CFT) form**, prior to November 12, 2025, via the [GMS Student Forms webpage](#).
- Students are ***not*** required to submit a CFT form unless they are applying for financial aid loans, deferring or ISSO requires them.
 - Visa regulations require that most international students register as full-time students either by course registration or by certification.

Tuition Charges

- Any adjustments to course loads may increase or decrease the tuition due for the semester. Contact the GMS Registrar's Office at GMSRegistrar@bu.edu regarding tuition adjustments.
- Tuition Payment deadlines are available on the [Student Accounting Services](#).

Leave of Absence/Withdrawal

- Information on Boston University's withdrawal and refund schedule can be found here: [Withdrawal and Tuition Refund Schedule](#)

Graduation Requirements

- **MAY 2026**
 - ☐ **Students planning to graduate for the May 2026** graduation must submit a diploma application via GMS Student Form prior to the **December 1 2025, deadline**.
- **AUGUST 2026**

- ☐ Students planning on completing degree requirements for the August 2026 graduation and who would like to be included on the sign-up email to attend May 2025 Convocation Ceremony must submit a *diploma application prior to December 1, 2026*.

Diploma Application

- **Students will not be allowed to submit their thesis or attend May 2026 GMS Convocation Ceremony if a Diploma Application is not submitted by the deadline.**

For any additional information or questions, feel free to contact GMS Registrar's Office via GMSRegistrar@bu.edu