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Dear GMS PhD Student,

Please review the following instructions for spring 2026 registration:

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

Spring 2026 Registration Opens on October 24th, 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 deadline December 1, 2025.**
- **Spring 2026 Online Registration Begins on Friday, October 24th at 7:15 AM**

Degree Requirements

- PhD – 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](#)

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.**

Advising Hold

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

Registration Requirements

- All students are required to register 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.
- 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.

Registrar Calendar Semester Dates

- **Add / Drop a Course Deadlines:** [GMS Academic Calendar](#)
- **Restricted Courses:**
For courses restricted from online registration, students must submit online GMS Add/Drop via GMS Student Forms: [GMS Student Forms](#)
- PhD students may not audit courses at SPH.
- PhD students must maintain full-time enrollment status by enrollment of 12 credits or more per semester.
- **Research Course:** students must register for even number of units.

Leave of Absence/Withdrawal

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

Ph.D. Stipend

- **Students** are required to officially register for the Spring term by **November 28, 2025**, to ensure that a January 2026 stipend is issued on time.

Graduation Requirements

- **MAY 2026**
Students planning to graduate in May 2026 must meet all degree requirements by the set deadlines and submit a Diploma Application by December 1, 2025
Please pay close attention to the deadlines listed on the [2026 PhD Graduation Calendar](#) for all required forms and dissertation submissions

Students who do not submit a Diploma Application by December 1, 2025, deadline will not be permitted to submit their dissertation or participate in the May 2026 PhD Convocation Ceremony.

For any additional information or questions, feel free to contact the Registrar's Office
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