



**UMASS  
BOSTON**

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**2022 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDEBOOK**



# Welcome to UMass Boston

The University of Massachusetts Boston, located in America's most celebrated college city, combines the resources of a major research university and the accessibility of a public institution. Our faculty, research staff, and students foster academic excellence, imagination, and creativity. At UMass Boston, we expect and welcome divergent views, honoring our commitment to creating global leaders.



## International Student Services

### About Our Signature Student Experience

For international students who are enrolling through the UMass Boston International Program, access to exclusive support services will be available.

The UMass Boston International team gives you personal attention throughout your entire educational journey, from application to graduation. We set you up for success with:

#### APPLICATION SUPPORT

- Streamlined application process
- Assigned counselor
- Major/field-of-study guidance

#### PRE-ARRIVAL GUIDANCE

- Visa application and interview help
- Prep webinars and checklists
- Help with required forms

 [LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR SERVICES AT umbinternationaldirect.org](https://umbinternationaldirect.org)



# Be Globally Recognized

At UMass Boston, discover your potential and innovate alongside leading scholars. With a cutting-edge curriculum designed to meet the changing needs of the global economy, UMass Boston ensures that students graduate real-world ready. We promote a culture of lifelong learning and prepare you for professional success.



**#112**

Top Public Schools

*U.S. News & World Report, 2022*

**Tier 1**

Global MBA Rankings

*CEO Magazine, 2018*

**#17**

Best Colleges for  
Adult Education

*Great Value Colleges, 2017–2018*

**120**  
**ACRE URBAN**  
**CAMPUS**

**BEST**  
**REGIONAL**  
**COLLEGES**

*The Princeton Review, 2019*

**#227**

Among National Universities

*US News & World Report, 2022*

**\$56M**

research funding in 2020

**#36**

Top Performers on  
Social Mobility

*U.S. News & World Report, 2022*

**#9**

Most Diverse College  
in America

*Niche.com, 2020*

**6 GRADUATE**  
**PROGRAMS**  
**RANKED IN THE**  
**TOP 100**

*U.S. News & World Report, 2021*

**15,989**

total students

**144**

countries represented  
in student body



# Boston: Hub of Opportunities

Located on Boston Harbor, UMass Boston’s picturesque oceanfront campus is only a ten-minute drive from downtown Boston. The Massachusetts capital is home to thirty-five universities and is also an international leader in education, health care, research, tech, and finance.



## City Highlights

- CHINATOWN**  
Visit the third-largest Chinatown in the United States through the historic paifang entrance gate, a gift from Taipei.
- CAMBRIDGE**  
A charming city across the Charles River, Cambridge is home to MIT, Harvard University, and Harvard Square, packed with cafés, bookstores, and live music.
- THE NORTH END**  
Situated along Boston Harbor, this bustling neighborhood is known for its old-world Italian charm.
- THE FREEDOM TRAIL**  
Walk Boston’s two-and-a-half-mile journey through historic landmarks related to the American Revolution.
- THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS**  
With more than 450,000 pieces, the MFA is Boston’s most comprehensive collection of art. Best of all, admission is free for students.

## Weather

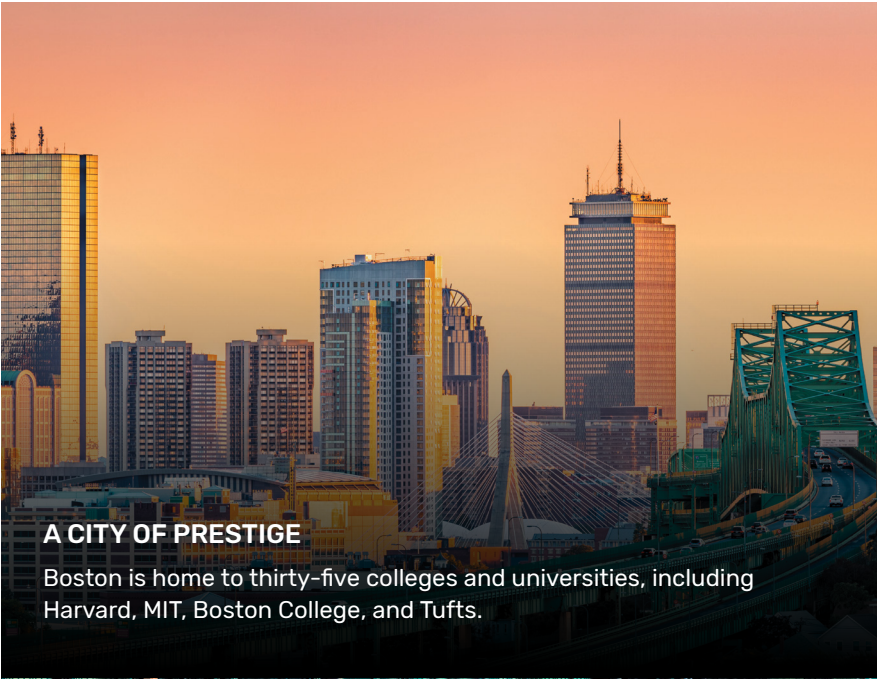
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|  | <b>SUMMER</b><br>25.1°C |  | <b>WINTER</b><br>19.5°C |
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# Technology and Innovation

Massachusetts is one of the most innovative states in the United States, thanks to the presence of major tech companies, successful start-ups, and more than 100 colleges and universities. The city is also recognized as a medical hub for research and innovation.

Greater Boston is home to sixteen Fortune 500 companies, including Biogen, Boston Scientific, General Electric, Liberty Mutual Insurance, Raytheon, and Wayfair.



## A CITY OF PRESTIGE

Boston is home to thirty-five colleges and universities, including Harvard, MIT, Boston College, and Tufts.

## Highlights

- **#1** Best U.S. City for Jobs  
—*Fortune* Magazine, 2018
- **#8** Quality of Life Worldwide  
—*Deutsche Bank*, 2019
- **Top 15** Best Cities in the U.S.  
—*Travel + Leisure*, 2018
- **#31** Best Places to Live in the State  
—*U.S. News & World Report*, 2022
- Massachusetts General Hospital is **ranked first** in the state  
—*U.S. News & World Report*, 2021



# Go Beyond Your Boundaries

## Your Future Is Here

Established in 1964, the University of Massachusetts Boston is nationally recognized as a model of excellence for urban public universities. With nearly 11 percent of the student body representing 140+ countries and speaking more than sixty languages, UMass Boston is truly global.

Our 16:1 student-to-faculty ratio allows for individualized attention from our highly awarded professors. With more than fifty interdisciplinary research institutes and centers at UMass Boston, students and faculty are dedicated to pursuing research that can change the world.

We are dedicated to rigorous critical inquiry and providing a gateway to intellectual discovery. With more than sixty-five courses of study and a prestigious Honors College, UMass Boston gives you access to career opportunities, research projects, and a strong alumni network to set you up for success.

## Highlights

- **"Green Rating" of 96 out of 100**  
—The Princeton Review's Guide to 399 Green Colleges, 2018
- **#17 of 50 Best Colleges for Adult Education**  
—Great Value Colleges, 2017–18
- **#6 of the Top 100 Graduate Programs**  
—*U.S. News & World Report*, 2021
- **Tier 1 Global MBA Rankings**  
—*CEO Magazine*, 2018



# Opportunity in an Education Epicenter

Pursuing a degree in information technology, Ashish chose UMass Boston to be in a tech-centric city that is home to Fortune 500s and start-up incubators. His plan after graduation is to become an application developer and eventually start his own firm.



## Highlights

- **110,000** alumni in the UMass Boston network
- **50+** interdisciplinary research institutes and centers on campus
- **\$56** million in research funding in 2020
- **220,000**-square-foot integrated sciences complex for researchers
- **3,667** diplomas
- **144** countries represented







## LEARN FROM OUTSTANDING FACULTY

Arindam Bandopadhyaya, interim dean of the College of Management, inspires a love of economics and finance in his students. In 2007, Bandopadhyaya helped turn an informal student investing club into course offerings, providing students with invaluable hands-on experience with investment portfolios. Originally seeded by funding from the UMass Foundation, today the Student Managed Fund courses guided by finance faculty manage over \$200,000.

## Get Involved, Stay Active

### Life on Campus

At UMass Boston, you will be encouraged to join student organizations, participate in competitive and recreational sports, and explore your creativity. From literary magazines and a nationally recognized radio station to a Model United Nations team, you have plenty of opportunities to make friends, stay active, and build your résumé.

- **100+** student organizations, including engineering, campus wellness, honor societies, and club/intramural sports
- **18** Division III NCAA teams
- **Beacon Fitness Center** includes state-of-the-art workout facilities and group classes
- Free kayaking and sailing in **Boston Harbor**
- Career guidance

### Highlights

- Our Venture Development Center has coordinated more than **\$1 billion** in funding across 100+ start-ups
- **500+** companies recruit on campus
- Our prestigious **research partners** include:
  - Dana–Farber/ Harvard Cancer Center
  - Genzyme
  - IBM
  - New England Aquarium Sanofi

## Empowering Future Leaders in Medicine



**CODY**, United States

As a biology major, Cody spent his 2017 summer working at a research lab for Dana–Farber/ Harvard Cancer Center. He also participated in the donor-sponsored Tufts University School of Medicine/UMass Boston Pre-Medical Enrichment Program, designed to teach teamwork and medical problem-solving to future doctors. Cody works as a part-time emergency medical technician, while continuing his research as an aspiring physician.

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# Undergraduate Programs

With more than sixty undergraduate degrees to choose from, UMass Boston equips you with a world-class education, hands-on research, and internship opportunities that will ready you for the global workforce.

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## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Early Education and Care in Inclusive Settings  
Sport Leadership and Administration

## COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

African Studies  
American Studies  
Anthropology  
Archaeology and History  
Art  
Asian Studies  
Classical Languages  
Classical Studies  
Communication  
Criminology and Criminal Justice  
Economics  
English  
Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy  
French  
History  
Human Services  
International Relations  
Italian  
Labor Studies  
Latin American and Iberian Studies

Music  
Philosophy  
Philosophy and Public Policy  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Theatre Arts  
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

## COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

Information Technology  
*Tracks:*  
Business Intelligence  
Computer Forensics  
Information Architecture  
System Administration  
  
Management  
*Concentrations:*  
Accounting  
Entrepreneurship  
Finance  
Information Systems and Business Analytics  
International Management  
Leadership and Organizational Change  
Marketing  
Supply Chain and Service Management

## COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Exercise and Health Sciences  
Nursing

## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Biochemistry  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer Engineering  
Computer Science  
Electrical Engineering  
Engineering Physics  
Information Technology  
Mathematics  
Physics

## McCORMACK SCHOOL OF POLICY AND GLOBAL STUDIES

Global Aging and Life Course Studies

## SCHOOL FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Community Development  
Environmental Science  
Environmental Studies and Sustainability



# Pursue Your Passion

At UMass Boston, you will gain a foundation for lifelong learning. With highly engaged professors, comprehensive academic offerings, groundbreaking research opportunities, and a commitment to service and community engagement, we offer students a world-class educational experience.



“ I can engage with and learn about American culture but also experience the other cultures deeply rooted in the city of Boston. ”  
— ANA, BIOLOGY, BRAZIL



## Deploying Health Care in West Africa

A 2016 graduate of UMass Boston, Anny majored in anthropology and women’s, gender, and sexuality studies, with a minor in human rights. After graduation, she joined Timmy Global Health as a medical programs coordinator in the Dominican Republic.

In the summer of 2018, Anny moved to Liberia to serve as a Princeton in Africa Fellow. Anny supported Last Mile Health’s collaboration with the Liberian Ministry of Health in deploying primary-care services to the country’s remote communities.



ANNY, WEST AFRICA

“The many leadership opportunities I had as a student and the invaluable mentorship from my faculty have been defining in preparing me for opportunity.”

— ANNY, ANTHROPOLOGY; WOMEN’S, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES, WEST AFRICA

### Make an Impact

#### INSPIRING STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

At UMass Boston, our work transforms the lives and careers of all members of our community. Our students foster imagination, creativity, and intellectual vitality. With highly ranked academic programs and research opportunities, UMass Boston prepares you for rewarding careers in rapid growth sectors.

Our faculty, researchers, and students are dedicated to developing world-changing technologies. We are committed to bringing these new ideas to life through patents and creating start-ups to further these inventions. We partner with local institutions, business leaders, and the government to strengthen global, cultural, and economic development—completing more than 800 projects and forming partnerships with 2,000+ organizations.

### Undergraduate Costs and Dates

#### TYPICAL COST FOR 2 SEMESTERS

|         |          |
|---------|----------|
| Tuition | \$35,000 |
| Housing | \$10,000 |
| Dining  | \$5,800  |
| Other   | \$5,250  |

#### APPLICATION DEADLINES

|             |                  |
|-------------|------------------|
| Spring 2022 | January 10, 2022 |
| Summer 2022 | April 8, 2022    |
| Fall 2022   | August 12, 2022  |

Note: Costs are estimates and expected to increase by 2.5% annually. Students wishing to take classes over the summer semester will pay the university directly. For the most accurate information on tuition and deadlines, please visit [umbinternationaldirect.org](http://umbinternationaldirect.org)

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# Graduate Programs

With six highly ranked graduate programs to choose from, UMass Boston graduate students are inspired to become bold, passionate, and revolutionary. Learn in a supportive and challenging environment from world-renowned faculty who encourage hands-on research and professional opportunities.

## COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

Accounting, MS

Business Administration, MBA


Business Analytics, MS

Finance, MS

Information Technology, MS

## COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

Computer Science, MS

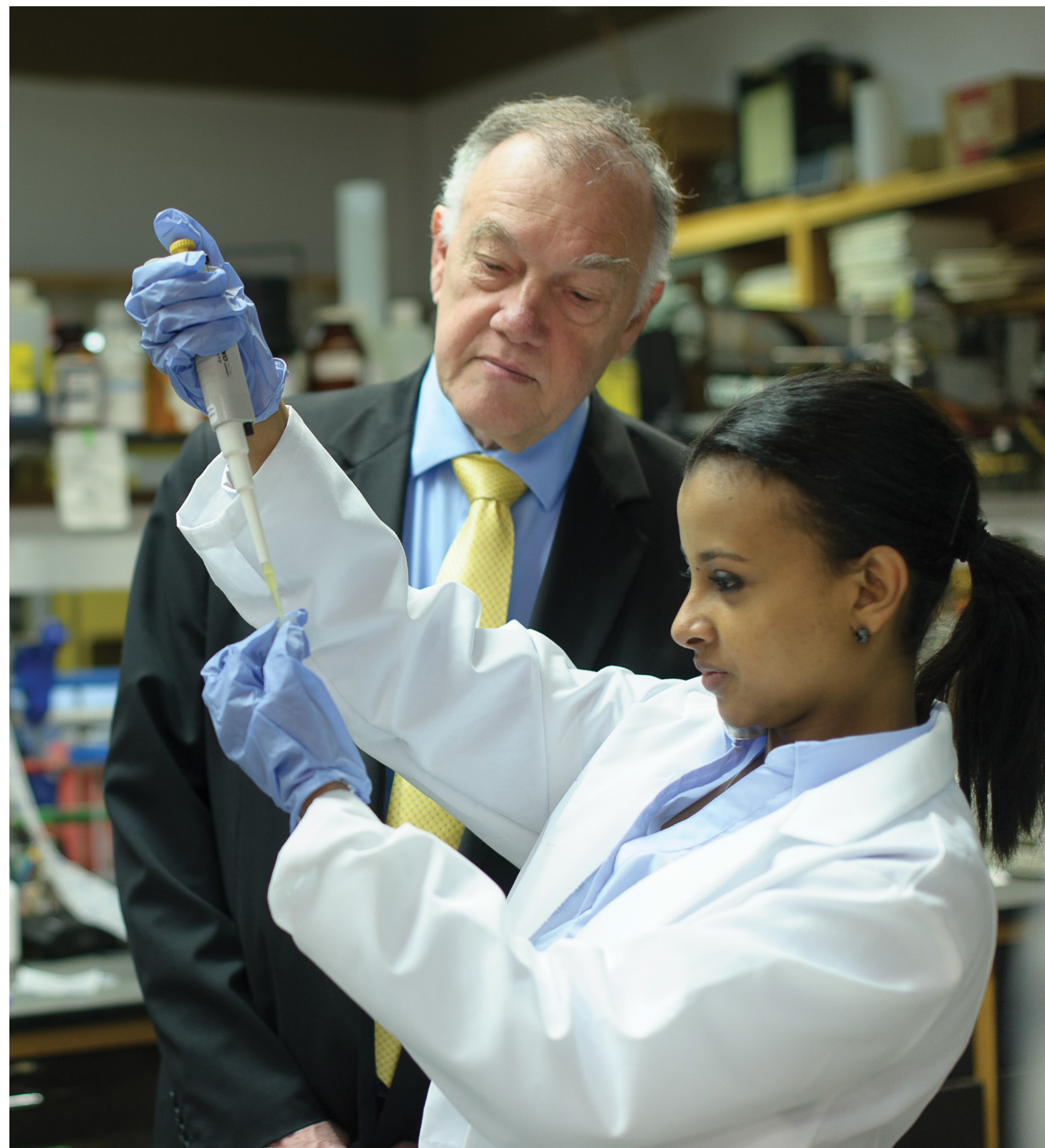
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# Discover Your Potential

At UMass Boston, you will work alongside world-class faculty and learn how our dedication to research, innovation, and creativity leads to vital contributions to the city of Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and beyond. As an urban research university with a teaching soul, UMass Boston's fast-growing multidisciplinary approaches to research focus on the needs of our communities.

UMass Boston now leads the Boston Science Partnership (BSP), a teacher development program that focuses on improving science education in Boston from middle school through graduate school and boosting student enrollment in Advanced Placement (AP) science programs.



## STUDENT STORIES

## Groundbreaking Research

Distinguished professor of biology Kamaljit Bawa has been at the forefront of groundbreaking biology and climate change research for five decades. The evolutionary ecologist and conservation biologist was among the first researchers to consider the role of sexual selection in the evolution of plant breeding systems and to use DNA sequences to study the genetic makeup of tropical forest trees.

"One dreams of getting such a recognition, but really do[es] not expect much in reality, as there are a very large number of people out there doing extraordinary work," Bawa says.

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"We are able to bring researchers from Dana-Farber with expertise in cancer research and experts from UMass Boston in various aspects of science and sociology. For our project there is no way we could do this work without the partnership of UMass Boston and the diversity it brings, and the expertise, and the community-based research."

— ANDREA C. ENZINGER, MD, INSTRUCTOR OF MEDICINE, HARVARD MEDICINE SCHOOL AND DANA-FARBER CANCER INSTITUTE



## Projects, Partnership, and Research

### LEARN. PRACTICE. LAUNCH.

The Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship gives students hands-on experience to create their own companies. Through interactive events and programs, students develop an innovative mindset and test the waters of entrepreneurship.

### COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH

UMass Boston's partnership with the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center provides opportunities for faculty and students to conduct cancer research in underserved populations. The center—which has received more than \$600 million in funding—includes seven academic medical institutions and schools and has a team of more than 1,000 cancer researchers.

### CUTTING-EDGE RESEARCH

The Network Information Systems Laboratory's primary mission is to perform cutting-edge research in emerging areas of computer networking, distributed systems, and information systems.

- Collaborate on advanced network technology projects.
- Engage in interdisciplinary research and development.
- Get hands-on training at top Boston institutions.



# Experience. Connection. Success.

As a UMass Boston student, you have direct access to downtown Boston, home to a rich, vibrant culture and one of the nation's strongest economies. We provide connections to employers in growth industries, such as finance, health care, technology, service, and education. You will have opportunities to gain valuable experience through internships, clinical studies, and career-related placements.



I chose UMass Boston because it was very affordable and the diversity on the campus was simply amazing.



— EVANS, BIOLOGY, UNITED STATES



## A World-Class Education

### COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

UMass Boston's graduate degrees are designed to prepare students for rewarding careers in the rapidly growing and changing fields of business. Ranked as one of the "Best Business Schools" by The Princeton Review, the College of Management offers many paths to success.

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Our Master's in Computer Science program prepares you for a challenging career in software development, computer science, security engineering, and more. This innovative program stresses the integration of theoretical knowledge and practical application.

"I was drawn to UMass Boston's strong computer science program and diverse student body. I had the opportunity to be a supplemental instruction leader for an 'Introduction to Computing' course."

— MICHELE, COMPUTER SCIENCE, SAUDI ARABIA

## Bright Future, Right Now

### STRONG ALUMNI NETWORK

More than 1,700 alumni work and thrive at major financial institutions and Fortune 500 companies in Boston and around the world.

### BIG IDEAS START HERE

Ready to change the world? The Venture Development Center is UMass Boston's business incubator for technology and life sciences start-up companies. The center provides career mentorship and resources for entrepreneurial students. Since the center's launch in 2009, nearly 2,000 students have participated in courses, internships, and jobs.

### HEART OF TECH

Corporate innovation hubs located in Boston and Cambridge include:

- Amazon.com, Inc
- ASICS Group
- Autodesk BUILD
- CVS Health Digital Innovations Lab
- Facebook (Cambridge campus)
- Fidelity Labs
- Google (Cambridge campus)
- IBM Watson Health and IBM Research
- Microsoft NERD
- Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories (MERL)

## Graduate Costs and Dates

### TYPICAL COST FOR 2 SEMESTERS

|         |          |
|---------|----------|
| Tuition | \$37,000 |
| Other   | \$6,600  |

### APPLICATION DEADLINES

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| Summer 2022 | April 1, 2022    |
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# How to Apply

Our dedicated admissions team is here to answer your questions about campus visits, scholarship opportunities, tuition and billing, and more. Applying to an international school can be difficult; but at UMass Boston, we are ready to help.

Students applying to UMass Boston will benefit from:

## STREAMLINED APPLICATION PROCESS

Submit a simple application and receive an offer of admission that's best for you, all within one week.

## ENROLLMENT SERVICES ADVISOR

With counseling from start to finish, we make the enrollment process easy to understand and finish quickly.

## VISA INTERVIEW SUPPORT

For many students, navigating the U.S. visa process can be overwhelming, but we're here to help. Whether you have questions about which visa to apply for or what to expect during your visa interview, dedicated advisors will aid you in conquering your application with ease.

## PRE-ARRIVAL SUPPORT

From what to pack to booking your flight, we give you detailed information on how to best prepare for your campus arrival.

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## THE LATEST ON COVID-19

Student health and safety are our top priorities. Stay informed with COVID-19 updates from our campus teams.

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