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Brandeis University

415 South Street
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 Private university established in 1948 as a coed institution.
 Full-time undergraduates: 1,362 Men, 1,748 Women.
 Part-time undergraduates: 6 Men, 2 Women.
 Graduate enrollment: 867 Men, 943 Women.
 Total campus enrollment: 4,985.
 FICE #2133, FAFSA #002133, SAT/PROFILE #3092, ACT #1802.

ADMISSIONS

Requirements

Graduation from secondary school required; GED accepted. General college-preparatory program required. 16 units and the following distribution recommended:

English	4.0
Mathematics	3.0
Lab Science	1.0
Foreign Language	3.0
History	1.0
Academic Electives	4.0

Science unit should be in biology, chemistry, or physics. Foreign language in 12th year recommended.

SAT I and SAT II (writing and two of applicant's choice) or ACT required. Campus visit recommended. Admissions interview recommended. Off-campus interview may be arranged with an alumni representative.

Admission may be deferred.

Application fee \$55 (may be waived in cases of financial need), nonrefundable.

Basis for Candidate Selection

Academic: Secondary school record and class rank very important. Recommendations, standardized test scores, and essay important.

Nonacademic: Extracurricular activities, particular talent/ability, character/personal qualities, volunteer work, and work experience important. Interview, alumni/ae relationship, and minority affiliation considered.

Admissions Procedure

Normal sequence: Standardized test scores must be received by January 15. Visit for interview by February. Application deadline is January 15. Common application form accepted. \$300 tuition deposit, nonrefundable. \$200 room deposit, nonrefundable. 1% of freshmen enter in terms other than fall. Admissions process is need-blind.

Special programs: Early decision program. For fall 2003, 172 of 263 early decision applicants were accepted. Early decision deadline is January 1.

Transfers: Transfer students are accepted. In fall 2003, 235 transfer applications were received, 126 were accepted. Application deadline is April 1 for fall; November 1 for spring. Secondary school transcript, college transcript, essay or personal statement, standardized test scores, and statement of good standing from prior institutions required; interview recommended. Minimum 3.0 college GPA required. Lowest course grade accepted is "C-." Maximum number of transferable courses is 16. At least 16 courses must be completed at the school to earn a bachelor's degree.

International Students: 214 degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled, 30 countries represented. TOEFL required of international applicants; TWE and TSE recommended. International transfer applicants must apply by January 31 for scholarship and financial assistance consideration.

Learning Disabled Students: Essay required; personal interview recommended. Support services available. Untimed standardized tests accepted.

Placement Options: Placement may be granted through CEEB Advanced Placement exams. Placement may be granted for International Baccalaureate.

Freshman Class Profile

For fall 2003, 44% of 5,770 applicants were offered admission. 33% of those accepted matriculated. 755 applicants were put on a waiting list.

Secondary school class rank of freshmen (fall 2003):

Top tenth	65%
Top quarter	95%
Top half	100%

32% of freshmen submitted class rank.

72% of accepted applicants submitted SAT I; 18% submitted ACT.

SAT I scores of freshmen (fall 2003):

	Verbal %	Math %
700-800	33	31
600-699	53	52
500-599	13	15
400-499	1	2
	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Range of SAT I scores for middle 50% of freshmen (fall 2003):

Verbal: 620-720 Math: 630-720

ACT scores of freshman (fall 2003):

	English %	Math %	Composite %
30-36	57	40	50
24-29	39	52	48
18-23	4	8	2
	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Range of ACT scores for middle 50% of freshmen (fall 2003):

English: 28-33 Math: 26-32

Student Body Characteristics

75% are from out of state. Average age of full-time undergraduates is 20. 96% of undergraduates are degree-seeking.

Composition of student body (fall 2003):

	Undergraduate	Freshman
International	6.9	7.8
Black	2.5	2.7
American Indian	0.2	0.4
Asian-American	8.2	6.8
Hispanic	2.5	2.8
White	68.3	65.5
Unreported	11.4	14.0
	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

FINANCIAL

Expenses

Tuition (2004-05): \$30,160 per year.

Room & Board: \$8,656.

Books/misc. expenses (school's estimate): \$1,700.

Financial Aid

FAFSA, CSS/PROFILE, Divorced Parent's statement, and Business/Farm supplement: Priority filing date is January 31. In 2003-04, the average aid package of full-time undergraduates with financial need was \$22,199; \$22,569 for full-time freshmen. 100% of students receiving financial aid participated in Federal Work-Study Program. Of full-time un-

degraduates receiving need-based financial aid, an average of 82% of need was met.

Scholarships and Grants

Need-based Federal Pell, SEOG, state, and college/university scholarships/grants. Non-need-based academic merit scholarships/grants. In 2003-04, \$23,853,815 in need-based scholarships/grants and \$9,737,101 in non-need-based scholarships/grants was awarded.

Loans

Direct subsidized Stafford, direct unsubsidized Stafford, direct PLUS, Perkins, state, and college/university loans. In 2003-04, \$9,761,193 in need-based self-help aid was awarded, including \$8,137,367 in student loans.

Student Employment

51% of full-time undergraduates work on campus during school year. Off-campus part-time employment opportunities rated "excellent."

ACADEMIC

Accreditation

Accredited by NEASC.

Instructional Faculty

Full-time: 213 men, 122 women; part-time: 57 men, 49 women.

Doctorates/Terminal 98%

FTE Student-Faculty ratio: 9 to 1.

Degree Offerings

Baccalaureate: B.A., B.S. *Master's:* M.A., M.A.Mgmt., M.Bus.Admin., M.S. *Doctoral:* Ph.D.

Majors Leading to Bachelor's Degree

School of Creative Arts: Fine Arts, Music, Theatre Arts.

School of Humanities: Classical Studies, Comparative Literature, English/American Literature, European Cultural Studies, French Language/Literature, German Language/Literature, Near Eastern/Judaic Studies, Philosophy, Russian Language/Literature, Spanish Language/Literature.

School of Science: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, General Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics.

School of Social Science: Afro-American/African Studies, American Studies, Anthropology, Economics, History, Latin American Studies, Linguistics/Cognitive Science, Politics, Psychology, Sociology.

Academic Requirements

Two courses of physical education required. General education courses required. Minimum 2.0 GPA required for graduation.

Academic Programs

Many minors offered. Self-designed majors. Double majors. Dual degrees. Independent study. Phi Beta Kappa. Pass/fail grading option. Internships. Teacher certification in elementary and secondary education. Graduate programs offered; qualified undergraduates may take graduate-level classes. Four-year B.A./M.A. biochemistry, biology, chemistry, history, mathematics, and physics programs. Five-year B.A./M.A. computer science, international economics/finance, and Near Eastern/Judaic studies programs. Early admission medical programs with Mt Sinai Medical Sch and Tufts U Medical Sch. Study abroad in more than 45 countries. AFROTC and ROTC at Boston U.

Facilities

235 microcomputers available to all students. Internet access. E-mail services/accounts. Computer equipment/network access provided in residence halls, library, computer center/labs. Library of 1,134,732 titles, 15,869 current serials, 917,221 microforms, 35,281 audiovisuals. Archives. Virtual library. Special collections. School is a member of library consortium. Art museum.

Academic Experience

94% of freshmen return for their sophomore year. Average GPA of freshmen after first year is 3.08 on a 4.0 scale. 84% of freshmen graduate within

six years. The most popular majors among 2003 graduates were economics, biology, and politics. 30% of graduates pursue further study immediately.

Guidance Facilities/Student Services

Placement service. Health service. Health insurance. Career services include internships, career/job search classes, interest inventory, on-campus job interviews, resume assistance, alumni network, interview training. Minority student, birth control, career, personal, academic, psychological, and religious counseling. International student support services include special counselors/advisors, host family program, international student center, ESL program/classes, special orientation. International club and religious organizations. LD student support services include diagnostic testing service, note-taking services, oral tests, tutors, reading machines, tape recorders, untimed tests, extended time for tests. Campus is completely accessible to the physically handicapped.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Athletics

Intercollegiate baseball, basketball, cross-country, fencing, golf, sailing, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and field (indoor/outdoor) for men. Intercollegiate basketball, cross-country, fencing, sailing, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track and field (indoor/outdoor), volleyball for women. Men's club crew, ice hockey, lacrosse, rugby, skiing, soccer, squash, ultimate frisbee, volleyball. Women's club crew, field hockey, lacrosse, rugby, skiing, squash, ultimate frisbee. Intramural/recreational basketball, flag football, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, volleyball. 15% of students participate in intercollegiate sports. Member of University Athletic Association (Division III).

Student Activities and Organizations

Student government, newspaper (*Justice*, published weekly), literary magazine, yearbook, radio station, television station. Four honor societies. Bethlehem Chapel Community, Catholic Student Organization, Christian Fellowship, Harlan Chapel Christian Community, Hillel, Interfaith Group, King's Fellowship, Bahai and Muslim groups. Intercultural center, Ahora, Students Organized Against Racism, Armenian, Asian-American, black, Cambodian, Chinese, French, Israeli, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Russian, South Asia, and Vietnamese student groups, Caribbean Connection, International Club. Chorus, gospel choir, orchestra, concert, jazz, and pep bands, musical theatre, drama group, comedy troupe, Israeli dance troupe, modern dance group, film society, photography club, debating, chess club, Amnesty International, women's coalition, outdoor and mountain club, team managers, Model UN, departmental, political, and special-interest groups. A total of 200 registered organizations. No social fraternities or sororities.

GENERAL

Housing

Students may live on or off campus. Coed dormitories, disabled student housing. 84% of all undergraduates (98% of all freshmen) live in school-owned/-operated/-affiliated housing.

Regulations and Policies

Alcohol permitted on campus for students of legal age; additional restrictions apply. Smoking prohibited in buildings. All students may have cars on campus.

Environment/Transportation

235-acre, suburban campus in Waltham (population: 59,226), 10 miles from Boston. Major airport, bus, and train serve Boston. School operates weekend transportation to Cambridge and Boston. Public transportation serves campus.

Calendar

Semester system; classes begin in early September and mid-January. Two summer sessions of five weeks each. Orientation for new students held in late August.