



# Build Your Future on a Strong Foundation



## **Foundation Year is an innovative first-year college program for students from Boston.**

The program integrates a rigorous first-year curriculum with academic resources to create an environment where students can thrive and seamlessly transition to college. Students who successfully complete Foundation Year's academic progression standards can continue their degree in one of Northeastern University's undergraduate colleges or the College of Professional Studies.

### **Program Format**

Foundation Year is a three-semester program that allows students to take transferable academic core credits during the fall, spring, and summer 1 terms of their first year. Students receive various resources and materials during the program to maximize their academic and student experience.

### **Have Questions?**

We've got answers. Contact us at [foundationyear@northeastern.edu](mailto:foundationyear@northeastern.edu) or scan the QR code to learn how Foundation Year can help you launch your college journey.



### **Eligibility**

- › Be a Boston resident for at least one year before applying.
- › Graduate from a Boston public charter, private, or METCO school.
- › Complete the HiSET® exam or obtain a GED.
- › Meet Northeastern's selective admissions criteria.



# Maximize Your Potential With a Solid Foundation.

## Make the Most of Your Credits

As a Foundation Year student, you'll take courses that meet core, major-specific, and elective requirements at Northeastern. These credits are eligible for transfer if you continue your degree at Northeastern.

## Your Cohort. Your Community.

Foundation Year utilizes a cohort model, allowing you to take classes taught by dedicated Foundation Year faculty alongside your fellow students.

## Support Every Step of the Way

Our faculty are committed to helping you make your first year of college a success and to working alongside an advising team to provide you with personal, academic, and social support.

## Studying After Your Foundation Year

After successfully completing Foundation Year, you can continue your degree at one of the seven undergraduate colleges at Northeastern's Boston campus or pursue a degree in our College of Professional Studies. Students who do not meet the academic progression standards—or prefer not to continue at Northeastern—may apply to transfer to external institutions.

## How To Apply

Apply to Northeastern by the January 1 application deadline using the Common Application or Coalition Application. Students eligible for the Foundation Year program may nominate themselves within their Application Status Check portal or be nominated by a school professional or community member.

Visit [admissions.northeastern.edu/foundation-year](https://admissions.northeastern.edu/foundation-year) to learn more.

**“Completing Foundation Year has been instrumental in beginning my postsecondary journey, building the smooth transition to university life, and attaining my full potential through a challenging academic program and supportive cohort.”**

—DIEGO TELLEZ VARGAS,  
BS IN DATA SCIENCE AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION '27

