The Boston University-Smith College BS-MS Engineering Partnership Program

Boston University’s College of Engineering and Smith College are pleased to announce a new collaboration to enable Smith College students pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science to gain early admission to the Master of Science programs in engineering at Boston University and access research experiences at BU as undergraduates.

Smith College, among the largest liberal arts colleges for women in the country, graduates approximately 45 students per year from its vibrant and exceptional, ABET-accredited Picker Engineering Program. Innovative and adaptable, graduates of the Picker Engineering Program are changing the face of engineering. They integrate a deep understanding of technical principles with knowledge from across the liberal arts to address society’s challenges. The program is highly aligned with Boston University’s mission of Creating the Societal Engineer driven to address societal challenges, including climate change, disease, resource limitations, and conflict. The College of Engineering at Boston University ranks 15th among all engineering schools at private universities. They offer graduate programs in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Systems engineering, Materials Science and Engineering, and in Product Design and Manufacture.

The joint 4+1 BS-MS program will provide Smith College students with an exciting and substantive research experience in a Boston University’s faculty laboratory in the summer before their senior year and the summer prior to the Master’s program at Boston University. Smith College students will be paid a stipend and a housing supplement each summer. Each student will then have the option of pursuing a Master thesis option supervised by a Boston University faculty. Students will be able to apply as early as the spring semester of their junior year, and Boston University will waive the requirement of GRE scores and provide early decision on these applications as they arrive. All Smith students accepted will receive a partial scholarship toward tuition. Finally, Smith students will also have the option to apply to the Ph.D. program of their choice at Boston University during their initial Masters year.