



CRIMINAL CONVICTION VERIFICATION FORM

Your application for admission to Bridgewater State University indicates that you have been adjudicated guilty of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime. **This completed form must be uploaded to your application for admission or mailed to the appropriate admission office (graduate or undergraduate).** Failure to submit this information may prevent your application from being processed.

Name of Applicant: _____ Today's Date: _____

Home Address: _____ Telephone Number: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Criminal Conviction Information

A "conviction" means any instance where you have pleaded guilty or were found to be or adjudicated guilty to charges that you committed a crime. This includes any (a) pleas of "no contest" or "nolo contendere"; (b) admission to sufficient facts for a finding of guilty; (c) Alford plea; (d) juvenile offense; and (e) conviction that you are currently appealing.

You need not disclose any instance where you (1) were arrested but not charged; (2) were arrested and charged but the charges were dropped; (3) were arrested and charged but found not guilty; (4) were found guilty but the criminal adjudication or conviction was expunged, sealed, annulled, pardoned, destroyed, erased, vacated, impounded, or otherwise ordered by a court to be kept confidential. You also do not need to disclose (a) a first conviction for any of the following misdemeanors: drunkenness, simple assault, speeding, minor traffic violations, affray or disturbance of the peace or (b) any conviction of a misdemeanor that occurred more than five years prior to the date of your admissions application unless you were sentenced to imprisonment or have been convicted of any offense within that five year period.

Some university educational programs have degree requirements (such as internships at third party sites) or prepare students for professional licensure which may require criminal background checks. Please note that admission to the University does not mean that an individual will be able to meet such third party requirements.

Name of Offense(s):	Year(s) Committed:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name(s) and Location(s) of Court(s): _____

Penalty or Punishment(s) Imposed: _____

Terms or Conditions of any Current Sentence, Probation or Parole: _____

Have You Been Designated A Level 1, 2 or 3 Sex Offender?

Further explanation (you may attach additional sheets if necessary):

By your signature below, you consent to Bridgewater State University obtaining information from appropriate persons to validate or otherwise learn more about your criminal conduct.

You also authorize pertinent governmental agencies to disclose to appropriate officials of Bridgewater State University the facts and circumstances of your conviction(s), incarceration(s), probation(s) and/or parole(s).

You hereby release all governmental agencies, and their employees and agents, from any liability to you or anyone claiming by, through, or under you, which may arise directly or indirectly out of such institution's good faith compliance with the above authorizations.

You certify that you understand and agree that (a) you will notify Bridgewater State University immediately of any inaccuracies in, or corrections to, the information that you disclose above; (b) you have a continuing duty to notify the Bridgewater State University of any conviction or disciplinary violation after the date hereof, including, if admitted, during the time that you are enrolled at Bridgewater State University; and (c) if admitted, your failure to disclose information in response to this form may result in immediate suspension or dismissal from a course, program, housing, and/or Bridgewater State University; (d) you certify that you have read, understood and agreed freely to the requirements, consents, authorizations and their respective consequences described on this form.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian (if applicant is below the age of 18)

Date

Print Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

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Office of Graduate Admissions: Maxwell Library Room 019, 10 Shaw Rd, Bridgewater, MA, 02325; FAX: (508) 531-6162; email: gradadmissions@bridgew.edu

Office of Undergraduate Admissions: Welcome Center, 45 Plymouth Street, Bridgewater, MA 02325; FAX (508) 531-1746; email: admission@bridgew.edu