April 17, 2018

Upcoming Events and Initiatives—and Faculty and Staff Recognition at Baruch College and Across The City University of New York

Dear Colleagues,

As chief diversity officer, I am excited to continuously spread the word about the rich and varied roster of events this month at the College and University in support of our growing culture of diversity and inclusion. We are also expanding our announcement to recognize presentations of faculty and staff in diversity and inclusion programs, and I invite you to contact me to bring attention to your work.

Upcoming at Baruch College
Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month

When: Throughout April

April is Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month at the College. It marks a month dedicated to exploring the many contributions of Asian-Pacific Americans as well as discovering the interconnectedness of Asian countries and cultures. Members of the
Baruch community have the opportunity to immerse themselves in activities and events that celebrate the similarities and the differences in cultures under the Asian-Pacific umbrella. View the full schedule for Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month here.

“Developing Your Resistance Narrative”: A Webinar
When: Thursday, Apr. 19, 12:30 pm
Where: Administrative Building, Room D-301
In this in-person webinar, Ernesto Todd Mireles, PhD, director of the Social Justice and Community Organizing (SJCO) Master of Arts program at Prescott College, will examine the critical role ethnic studies scholarship plays in developing narratives of resistance by documenting and archiving the history of racial minorities on college campuses and in the community. Learn more.

CUNY Men’s Health Summit Comes to the College
When: Friday, Apr. 20, 9 am-5 pm
Where: NVC Multipurpose Room 1-107
Students at the CUNY Men’s Health Summit will receive guidance and resources to enhance their well-being as learners. Breakfast, lunch, and promotional items will be offered at this all-day event. Learn more.

Denim Day
When: Wednesday, Apr. 25, 1-3 pm
Where: NVC, 2nd Floor Lobby
The College’s Sexual Harassment and Assault Prevention Committee (S.H.A.P.) encourages all faculty, staff, and students to wear jeans on April 25 to symbolize solidarity for Denim Day, a day dedicated to raising awareness of sexual assault. A discussion on the significance of living in a world free of sexual assault will also be held. Learn more.

PhD Project-Baruch College Research Symposium
When: Friday, Apr. 27-Saturday, Apr. 28
Where: NVC Room 750
Sponsored by the Zicklin School, this symposium will provide 15 students in the PhD Project an opportunity to develop their research scholarship and to position themselves in the job market for a faculty position at research-oriented business schools upon completion of their doctoral studies. The symposium is intended to
complement the PhD Project’s efforts to enhance diversity and inclusion in business education by reducing the significant underrepresentation of African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans on business school faculties.

“The Dreamer and the Day Laborer: Two Faces of the Immigrants' Rights Movement”

When: Monday, Apr. 30, 5-7:30 pm
Where: Information and Technology Building, Room 750
Presented by the Marxe School, this Lillie and Nathan Ackerman Lecture on Equality and Justice features Manuel Castro (MPA ’14), executive director of New Immigrant Community Empowerment, a community-based organization dedicated to building the power of day laborers and immigrant workers in New York City. Mr. Manuel will discuss his work with the New York City government to strengthen labor rights for immigrants and day laborers. Learn more.

Upcoming Around CUNY and the Community

CUNY Faculty Diversity Dialogue

When: Thursday, Apr. 19, 2:30 pm
Where: CUNY Graduate Center

The third Faculty Diversity Dialogue for the Spring 2018 semester will feature Caroline S. Turner, PhD, professor in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at California State University, who will discuss diversity, equity, and inclusion in faculty hiring processes and practices. Please RSVP to Meggin Brown. Learn more.

“Healing Through Music”

When: Through Friday, May 18
Where: 82 Washington Square East, New York

Angel Band Project, in partnership with New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault, is offering a 5-week music therapy group, “Healing through Music,” for all survivors and victims of trauma. No musical background is required. Learn more.

Recognizing Faculty and Staff for Diversity Presentations

Robert Kunicki, MA, assistant director for student success, assessment, and enrollment initiatives, recently returned from the ACPA-College Student Educators International Convention in Texas, where his presentations “I am Latinx Too: Creating Inclusive Spaces for all Latinx Students” and “Passing Privilege: The ‘Paradox’ of White Passing and Multiracial Identity” supported the organization’s
Strategic Imperative for Racial Justice and Decolonization. Mr. Kunicki currently serves as the co-chair of the Multiracial Network within the Coalition for Multicultural Affairs for ACPA.

Kristy Perez, MSW, director of the Percy E. Sutton SEEK Program; Andrew Lawton, LMSW, director of the Percy E. Sutton Urban Male Leadership Academy (UMLA) and SEEK counselor; and James Bravo, UMLA program coordinator, presented at the 2018 National Association of Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education’s (NASPA) annual conference in Pennsylvania on “Building Brotherhood, Building Leaders: Implementing an Anti-Racist Leadership Development Program for Men of Color on College Campuses.” Structured as a working group presentation, Ms. Perez, Mr. Lawton, and Mr. Bravo shared UMLA outcomes and strategies to implement anti-racist programs for men of color.

In the spirit of community, I thank you for making Baruch College’s and CUNY’s commitment to diversity, inclusion, and equal opportunity a priority.

Sincerely,

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