



President's Report College Council

January 27, 2021

Anthony E. Munroe, BMCC President

Time for Unity and Healing

- We celebrate, congratulate and welcome Joe Biden as the 46th President of the United States of America and Kamala Harris, who is the first woman, first black and first Asian-American to serve as our country's Vice President.
- I encourage all of us at BMCC to reflect on the challenges we have faced these past months – the pandemic, racial injustices, and the unsettling political divide that fueled hatred and the insurrection at the U.S. Capitol – and focus on healing and unification to carry us forward into the Spring 2021 semester and beyond.
- Perhaps the most important contribution each of us can make during these highly emotional times is to create a learning environment that is fully inclusive, respectful of all points of view, and most importantly safe and comfortable for all students and every member of the BMCC Community.

Transformational Gift; Establishment of the President's Fund for Excellence and Innovation

- \$30 million unrestricted gift from philanthropist and author MacKenzie Scott. I know you join me in thanking Ms. Scott, for this extraordinary gift.
- A vast majority of funds from this one-time gift will be invested in order to generate an on-going annual income that will be used to support important and forward-thinking initiatives. In this way, we will benefit both our current and future students and College.
- The President's Fund for Excellence and Innovation has been established. This fund will boost BMCC's efforts to improve student learning and success, enhance research and knowledge creation, and advance socioeconomic mobility through the transformative power of education. It will support and allow for strategic investment in innovative projects, initiatives, and programming that advance the College's mission, move BMCC towards realization of the vision, and honor Ms. Scott's desire to focus on basic needs, equity and inclusion, economic mobility, and support the communities that are disproportionately disadvantaged.

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- Consistent with the donor's intent, we are developing a process by which proposed projects can be formally submitted to a committee that will review all proposals and make recommendations to the President, who will make the final decision on projects that will be funded. This committee will be comprised of members of the BMCC community, including faculty, staff, students, and representatives from governance.
- *More details will be shared as they become available.*

Updates on the Pandemic

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- BMCC continues to follow CDC and New York State Department of Health guidelines in repopulating campus buildings. To protect the health of the college community, the majority of BMCC classes are being delivered from a distance for the Spring 2021 semester.
- BMCC is operating at 25% capacity in the 199 Chambers Street Building and Murray Street Building. Fiterman Hall is now active.
- The BMCC campus is reprogramming in phases approved by CUNY and the State of New York. This plan is guided by reduced capacity (number of people on campus) in each phase and careful monitoring before increasing that capacity for the next phase.

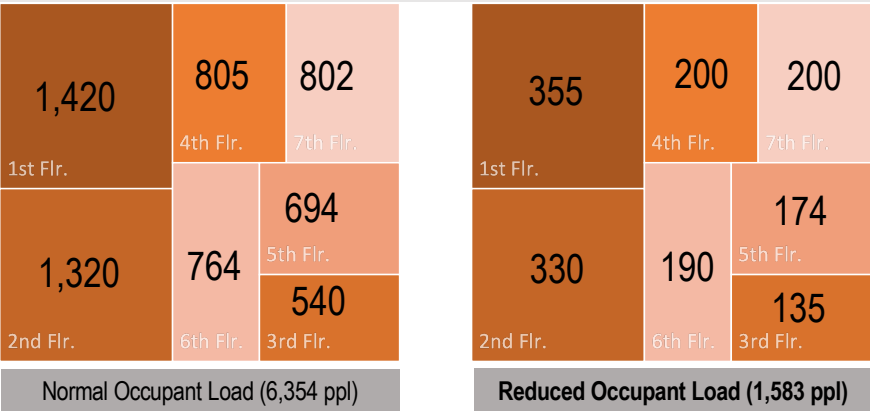


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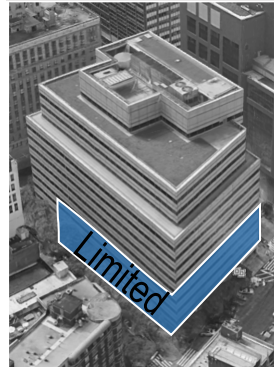
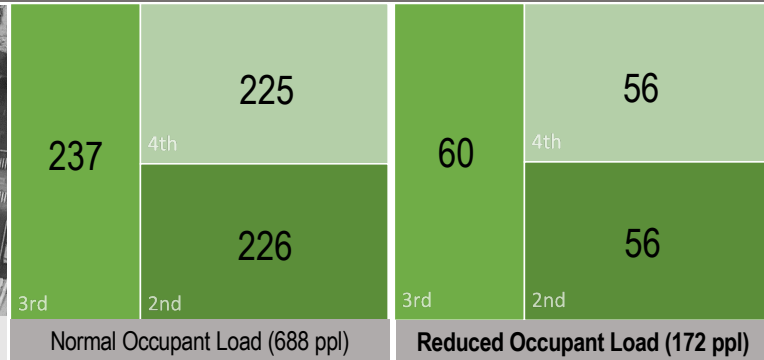
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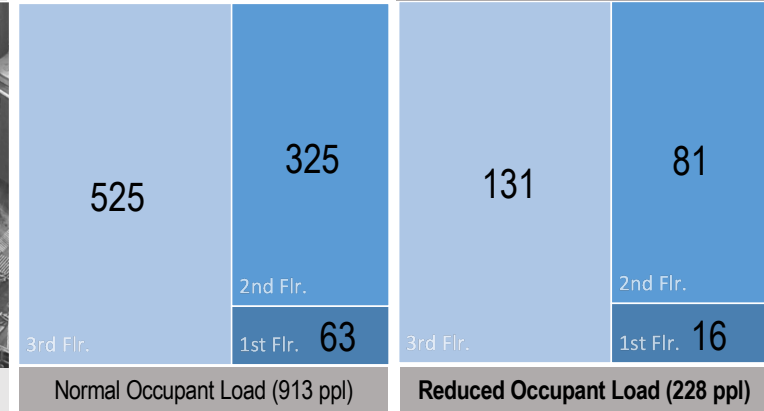
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Fiterman Hall (FH)



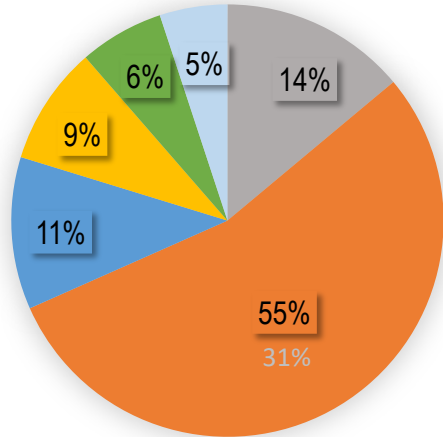
70 Murray St. (M)



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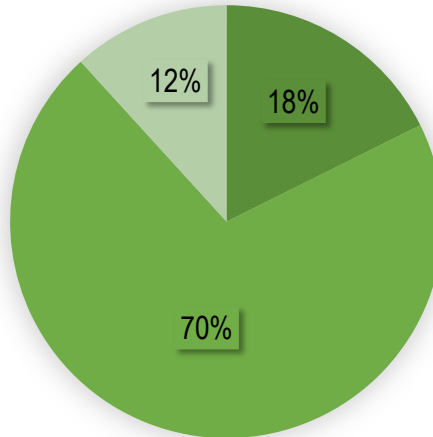
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199 Chambers (Occupants/1580)



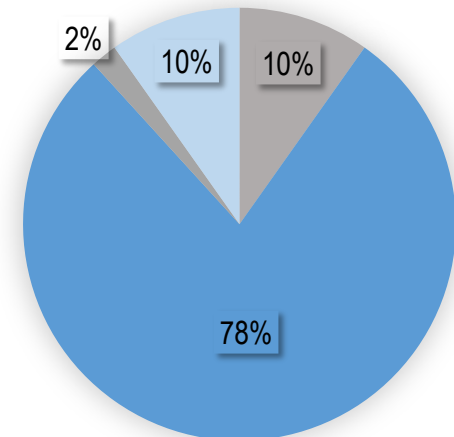
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- Scheduled Access
- Overflow

Fiterman Hall (Occupants/172)



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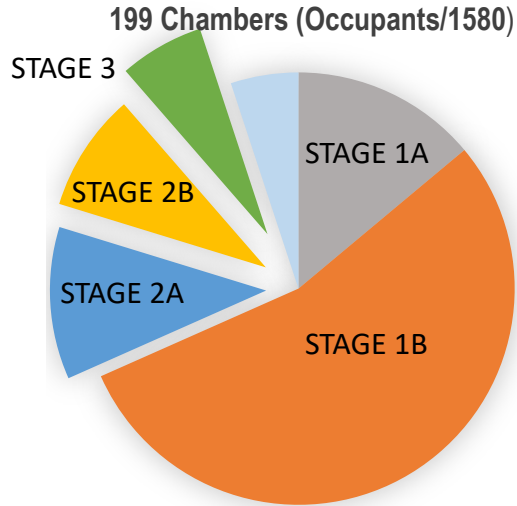
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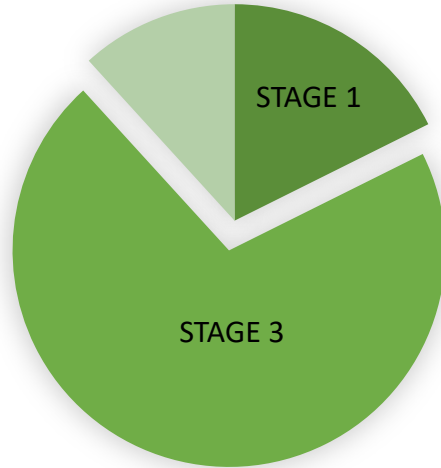
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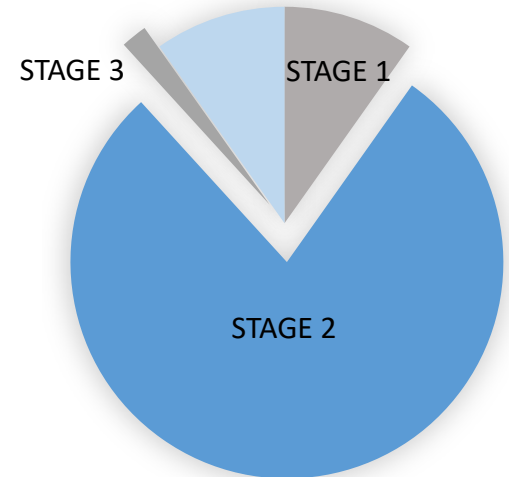
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REMINDERS

- Before returning to campus, all staff and faculty must complete a COVID-19 return-to-work training on Blackboard, under the tab “My Organizations.” Be sure to take a screenshot of the completion certification before selecting "submit," and direct questions to Lori Mazzola in Human Resources at lmazzola@bmcc.cuny.edu.
- All faculty, staff, students and guests must complete a two-minute, COVID-19 Daily Health Screening before entering the BMCC campus. To do so, first download the Everbridge Health Screening Application. Also, when re-entering the campus don't forget your mask!

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FOR STUDENTS

- **Laptop and iPad Distribution:** Eligible BMCC students can borrow a laptop or iPad on Mondays and Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the BMCC gym, 100 North Moore Street. Students must apply and choose a day to pick up their device. For more information, students can contact studentaffairs@bmcc.cuny.edu.
- **Quiet Study and Computer Lab Reservations:** Students can reserve a single-seat study space (on bmcc-cuny.Libcal.com) on the second floor of the Murray Building at 70 Murray Street, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students must bring a photo ID with them and complete the daily health screening each day they visit campus.

** Jorge Yafar, Assistant Vice President for Campus Planning and Facilities, will provide additional details and updates.*

Strategic Plan 2020-2025

- The Strategic Plan website is now ready for view: www.bmcc.cuny.edu/bmcc-strategic-plan-2020-2025/
- The input from more than 1,000 members of the BMCC community in the Designing for Success initiative is foundational to our efforts to redesign for student learning and success – I want to thank all those involved in this important work.
- Strategic Planning Continued their Work in spring and summer 2020 – this work was honored.
- Designing for Success work did culminate in the fall with the reconvening of the group and a review of information on impacts of the pandemic.



Enrollment Management

- Enrollment is following nationwide, statewide and systemwide trend and double-digit declines are expected.
- Student financial holds were lifted for students with balances less than \$2600 and in good standing.
- Spring 2 registration will begin on February 4th. Term begins on March 19th and runs through May 20th. 34 sections (~ 850 heads) will be offered
- Rapid Response Enrollment Management Task Force is wrapping up
- Formal Strategic Enrollment Management Committee will launch in February/March.

News and Developments

- The **BMCC Nursing Program** recognized 143 graduates from the classes of June 2020 and January 2021 during a virtual pinning ceremony January 6. The most recent BMCC graduates will take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (RNs). Congratulations!
- BMCC has been selected as one of 17 colleges and universities nationwide to be part of the **NBCU Academy**, just launched by NBCUniversal News Group. The NBCU Academy is a multi-platform journalism training and development program providing on-campus training and online programming. The initiative also provides a curriculum for hands-on learning with world-class NBCU News Group journalists, as well as funding for accredited journalism programs and scholarships.
- The Office of Academic Affairs is hosting “**Recharge, Reconnect, Restart,**” two half-day virtual events to kick off the new semester on January 26. I hope faculty and staff are taking advantage of the activities focused on trauma-informed and anti-racist pedagogy.

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After 14 years of serving as Dean of Workforce Development and Continuing Education, **Sunil B. Gupta** will be leaving BMCC to serve as Vice President of Adult and Continuing Education at LaGuardia Community College. Sunil's last day at BMCC will be February 5. THANK YOU, Sunil for your dedicated leadership and service to BMCC. As part of our transition plan, we will continue to explore new and innovative ways to enhance programs and services offered through the Workforce Development and Continuing Education division. I will provide details in the near future.



BMCC's Office of Sponsored Programs welcomes Development Manager/Assistant Director of Grants **Aleksandra Cataruzolo**. Cataruzolo will serve as the liaison between the CUNY Research Foundation and BMCC. She will communicate government and private grant application guidelines to the BMCC community and review proposal submissions, as well as conduct workshops for faculty and staff on grants management.

THANK YOU!

Questions?