

President's Report College Council

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Focus on Student Retention

Why is Student Retention important?

- Fall 2020, male undergraduate enrollment fell by nearly 7%, nearly three times as much as female enrollment (according to National Student Clearinghouse).
- Black and Hispanic male enrollment at public two-year colleges dropped by 19.2% and 16.6%, respectively, about 10 percentage points more than the drops in Black and Hispanic female enrollment. (according to National Student Clearinghouse).

How is BMCC addressing the issue?

- Academic Chairs are leading the effort in looking closely at their programs and having discussions.
- BMCC administrators will help build connections with student support programs and academic programs in order to strengthen retention efforts. (Examples: UMLA, LRC, Advisement Transfer Center, Conexiones, Peer Mentoring, and more.)

Enrollment Update

- Fall 2021 Form-A: 18,637 headcount (-17.2% from prior year)
- CUNY In the Heights 316 headcount (345 seats filled out of 380 offered)
- Fall II 834 headcount (1,050 seats filled out of 1,125 offered)
- Fall III 2,045 headcount (2,847 seats filled out of 3,025 offered; 121 sections)

- Winter/Spring 2022 is scheduled to begin on November 8.
- There will be 2 mini sessions. Tentative dates are: Spring 2: February 7-March 23;
 Spring 3: March 28-May 24.

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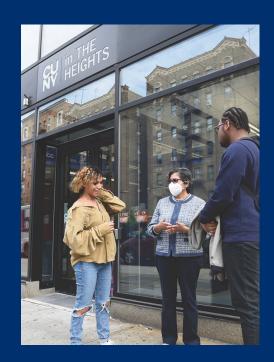
- "If this current rate of decline were to hold up, it would be the largest twoyear enrollment decline in at least the last 50 years in the U.S.," said Doug Shapiro, the research center's executive director, in a call with news media.
- Since 2019, community-college enrollment has fallen 14.1 percent.
- Among racial and ethnic groups, white, Black, and Native American undergraduate attendance fell the most in fall 2021

Recommendations for moving forward

- Working to engage the students that are currently enrolled with a focused effort on retention
- Encourage students to get registered early for the Spring 2022 term
- Encourage students to get their vaccination information uploaded to avoid being assigned a "WA" grade at the end of this term and/or prior to the start of the Winter/Spring 2022 term

CUNY in The Heights

- Ribbon-cutting Event, October 29, 2 p.m.
 - Speakers: Félix Matos Rodriguez, CUNY Chancellor;
 Adriano Espaillat, U.S. Congressmember (NY 13th District); Ydanis Rodriguez, New York City
 Councilmember; Carmen De La Rosa,
 Assemblymember (District 72); Gale Brewer, Manhattan Borough President; Johanna Garcia, Chief of Staff,
 Office of New York State Senator Robert Jackson; and Danicia Marte, BMCC Student
- Event will be recorded and available on BMCC's YouTube Channel.



NYC Mobile Vaccination Bus Coming to BMCC Express, Oct. 28

Students, Faculty, Staff and the NYC community can get free vaccinations (with the \$100 incentive) on Thursday, Oct. 28, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



The NYC Mobile Vaccination bus will parked in front of BMCC Express, 255 Greenwich Street and will offer COVID-19 vaccinations (Pfizer and J&J), including boosters with no appointment necessary.

In addition, the Panther Pantry, BMCC Admissions and Information Resources Technology will be on-site to provide services with food distribution, college information and to help students upload their vaccination verification on CUNYfirst, respectively.

THANK YOU QUESTIONS?