RHEA FRANKIE

NON-TRADITION

Hello! My name is Rhea Frankie, and I am running for Senator.

My path to a degree from BMCC was not a straight line. I enrolled in 2007, took a pause, and then came back in 2021 to finish the last four classes I needed to complete my associate degree. I am now on course to graduate this semester.

I have also been selected to be part of the steering committee for Race, Equity, and Inequality (REI) and BMCC's Learning Academy.

I grew up in the Philippines and moved to New York as an adult. I know the challenges first-generation immigrants face because I have lived them. I started at BMCC as an International Student, so I understand the challenges of combatting intersectionality, microaggression, and the stigma of looking and sounding different.

BMCC has helped me find my purpose. I have met advisors and teachers who have helped me in my journey to self-actualization and convey my authentic story. I believe BMCC can help anyone who has a similar story to mine.

