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WELCOME INCOMING STUDENTS!

Student Life on Campus

Welcome to Brooklyn College. The Division of Student Life would like to inform you about the many offices and programs on campus that will help you get the most out of your college experience. By encouraging and enabling students to participate in student-centered events and organizations and by serving the needs of students with questions or problems, the Division seeks to ensure that students will leave Brooklyn College, well prepared academically and able to address the many challenges ahead.

Among the Division's many events are campuswide programs that take place throughout the year. These include the <u>Annual Health & Wellness Festival</u>, <u>World AIDS Day</u>, <u>Black History Month</u>, the <u>Multi-Faith</u> <u>Initiative</u>, <u>"Herstory" Month</u>, <u>Holocaust Day</u> and <u>many</u> <u>more</u>. These events are designed so that students of all backgrounds may participate and learn about each other.



CLUB FAIR ON THE QUAD

Those who have special interests or hobbies can join one of the many student clubs and organizations on campus. Our clubs are focused on subjects such as accounting, philosophy and theater and include cultural societies that range from the Asian Student Union to the West African Students Association and many in between. There's something for everyone at Brooklyn College. There are also several <u>fraternities</u> and <u>sororities</u> one can join, promoting brotherhood, lasting friendships, and <u>volunteerism</u>. Students can also make a difference in the campus community by getting involved in student government or joining one of the college's three student newspapers.

Benefits of Being a Brooklyn College Student

Now that you are a Brooklyn College student there are many programs from which you may benefit, in addition to our outstanding academic curriculum. Free immunizations can be obtained through the Health Services program and free primary health care (including medical check-ups) is available at the Health Clinic, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) are available as well, if needed. Students looking for free legal advice may visit the Lay Advocate Office and there is counseling available at Personal Counseling. For students who are having a difficult time adjusting or could use some help with study habits, workshops are "happening" semester-long. Parents of small children can visit the Child Care Center in James Hall to ask about childcare. The goal of the Division of Student Life is to be there throughout the student's college life, providing programs and services to enrich the college experience.



SHOOTING POOL AT THE STUDENT CENTER

In between classes, or just when you need some down time, visit the <u>Student Center</u> on Campus Road. Whether you just want a quiet place to study, want to attend one of the lectures or seminars taking place on any given day, or want to relax and have some fun, the Student Center is the place to be. From aerobics classes to weekly film showings to friendly games of pool or ping-pong, it all takes place at the Student Center – the literal "center" of student life at BC.

There are many more activities to take part in that are happening everyday at Brooklyn College, from various <u>volunteer opportunities</u> to enjoying the <u>sporting life with</u> <u>athletic and recreational events</u> for students of all levels of ability. Turn the page over to get to know some of the members of the Student Life team!

For more information contact the Division of Student Life, 2113 Boylan Hall, call (718) 951-5352 or Email: Studentlife@brooklyn.cuny.edu

B.C. STUDENT LIFE STAFF SPOTLIGHT*

Loretta Chin

Welcome Students! My name is Loretta Chin, Special Projects Coordinator in the Office of the Dean for Student Life. Join me in the <u>Community Building</u> <u>Initiative</u> here at Brooklyn College. We have many exciting programs and projects that might interest you. Participate in civic engagement activities, community outreach and political events. You can attend a banquet, lecture, or conference, or get involved in one of our many dialogues. Contact me in room 2113 Boylan Hall or call at (718) 951-5352.



<u>Alex Lang</u>

My name is Alex Lang and I am the <u>Sports Information</u> Director and Head Women's Basketball Coach. In the upcoming semester I will be posting flyers as well as attending the school's orientations and fairs in order to get the word out about our athletics teams. As a new student, you may be interested in trying out for a team, attending athletic events, using our recreational facilities or getting involved in other ways. If so, you should contact me at in room 125 Roosevelt Hall or call me at (718) 951-5366. I look forward to meeting all of you!



Vanessa Taylor

I am Vanessa Taylor and I coordinate <u>The Orientation Project (TOP)</u>. TOP caters to the unique needs of entering students by designing In-semester Orientation Seminars to help ease the transition to Brooklyn College. TOP recently started a new initiative called "Kool Calls." The objective is to outreach to each new student at least twice throughout the semester and to follow up with them if they have questions or concerns. TOP will also be expanding its mentoring program, SLICC (Student Leaders in Campus and Community). TOP has orientation seminars, Kool Call sessions, trainings and sponsored events planned for the future. If you would like to become a student leader or are a new student and would like a mentor please email Top@brooklyn.cuny.edu



<u> Christina Waszak</u>

I'm Christina Waszak, the Coordinator of <u>Student Activities</u>. As a staff member of the Office of Student Development, I serve as one of the liaisons to a variety of student clubs and organizations on campus. I encourage you to visit these groups at <u>Club Fair on Thursday Sept. 1st, 1:30-3:30pm</u> on the quad and at the <u>Welcome Back Bash on Thursday Sept. 22nd</u> at the same time, in front of the Student Center. I will also be coordinating special programs such as <u>Black Solidarity Day</u> on Tues. Nov. 1st and <u>Latin Heritage Month</u> in November. My office is open to you for anything you need, whether it's information on an event or club, somewhere to study or someone to talk to. You can find me in Room 302 on the 3rd floor of the Student Center, at 951-5712.

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