

Bridging the Campus

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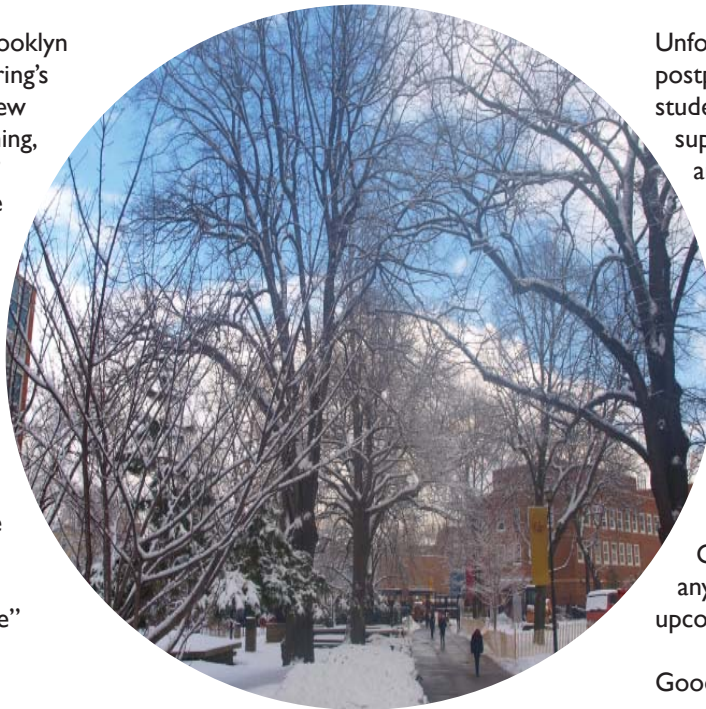
B.C. Class of 2015:

Learning, Opportunities & Leadership - L.O.L.

Welcome Class of 2015 to Brooklyn College! The theme of this Spring's "Intro to B.C. Campus Life" new student orientation was "learning, opportunities, and leadership." During orientation, held at the Brooklyn College Student Center, students were not only taken through a program that will help them discover the resources available but also learned how to navigate the campus, as well as be prepared for the many exciting challenges beyond the gates of Brooklyn College.

The "Intro to B.C. Campus Life" program is the beginning of every incoming student's path to commencement, and an introduction to the Division of Student Affairs' (D.O.S.A.) motto to guide "each student to enhanced personal and academic success." New students were given the option to register for two speciality workshops which taught time management strategies, as well as how to manage finances. These sessions served as stepping stones to personal success and academic development.

Following the workshops, students were welcomed by their student government president, as well as the Vice President for Student Affairs, and Vice President for



Enrollment Services. Students were further introduced to the campus community at a Club/Resource Fair where they

- MET CURRENT STUDENTS
- LEARNED ABOUT, AND JOINED VARIOUS STUDENT CLUBS
- GOT A TASTE OF "GREEK FRATERNITY/ SORORITY LIFE"
- LEARNED ABOUT THE SERVICES OFFERED BY D.O.S.A. AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Unfortunately, the basketball game was postponed due to weather but we hope students will help build school spirit and support their "Brooklyn Bulldogs" men and women's sports teams at a game in the near future. Game schedules are available at www.brooklyncollegeathletics.com.

Students left orientation with the tools needed to find campus information, and make new friends. These tools will help with the preparation necessary for life after graduation. If you missed Orientation, please visit the G.O.L.D. office (314 Student Center) any time to learn about other upcoming events.

Good luck! Please turn the page for more information on the many services the Division of Student Affairs provides for you.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS:
STOP BY 2113 BOYLAN HALL,
PHONE US AT 718-951-5352 OR E-MAIL:
STUDENTAFFAIRS@BROOKLYN.CUNY.EDU**

STUDENT ACTIVITIES CENTRAL

Student Activities Central is the new name for room 302 of the Student Center! The office has become the area of "one-stop shopping" for students engaged in campus activities.

Student Activities Central recognizes the importance of supporting the activities of our students and providing them with proper advisement, program development and opportunities for personal and academic growth.

The staff of Student Activities Central advised 152 student organizations during the 2009-2010 academic year with 28 of them being new groups! These organizations are based on culture, academics, faith, special interests, as well as Greek-Lettered Organizations and media groups.

Also located in Student Activities Central is the Central Depository (CD) office. It is responsible for the receipt, distribution, and accounting of all student activity fees and revenues generated by student activities funded through those fees. All clubs and organizations that are funded by student activity fees must register in this office.

Student Activities Central can be reached by phone at 718-951-5712 or via our e-mail: studentact@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

Or go to our **Facebook page: Brooklyn-College Student-Activities Central** for more information.



We are also on the web and can be found at www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/clubs.htm and <http://clubscript.brooklyn.cuny.edu>.



A Message from the V.P.



Milga Morales, Ph.D.
Vice President for
Student Affairs

Welcome incoming Brooklyn College students! This issue of Bridging the Campus, is a special overview from Brooklyn College's Division of Student Affairs (D.O.S.A.). It is designed to profile the many, and varied, student services that fall under our divisional umbrella. Some of these you may have heard of when you applied to B.C., while many others may be new to you. It is the goal of our division to guide each student to enhanced personal and academic success

and D.O.S.A. is dedicated to helping you achieve your personal best.

It is my hope to see you at many of the events taking place on any given day. From Town Hall meetings to Greek Rush and the Club Fair, from the latest session of Student Government to the latest lecture in the Student Center, to our Bulldogs games, there is something for every student at B.C. So, good luck and stay engaged!

Civic Engagement



The goal of the Office of Civic Engagement is to promote student life, student learning, and academic and personal success. We hold workshops, conferences, and many other programs designed to provide students with a meaningful and enjoyable co-curricular and academic experience during college. Students can stop by to get information on how to become more engaged with campus life.

The Office of Civic Engagement also runs the C.L.A.S.E. Passport Program. The Civic Learning and Student Engagement Program (C.L.A.S.E.) is designed to engage students in co-curricular activities on campus beneficial to their educational and personal development. These activities cover a broad range of topics, such as leadership development, diversity and multi-culturalism, community involvement, health/wellness awareness, civic learning, professional development, and student affairs.

Students have participated in Strategic Planning forums, Dean's Searches, Town Halls and Student Affairs Conference Presentations, as well as visits to Albany legislators and hunger and homeless programs. These programs endeavor to encourage an enjoyable and well-rounded college experience for each student on campus. Visit the Office of Civic Engagement at 2110 Boylan Hall.



Judicial Affairs

The College expects good citizenship and responsible behavior from its students. When these expectations appear not to be met, the Office of Judicial Affairs (J.A.) should be alerted by students, faculty, or staff. We address reported student behavioral concerns using an educational approach and encourage students to take responsibility for their choices. We also provide educational and informational programs to promote a civil campus environment.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to submit a Student Behavior Form (SBF) if:

- A student's behavior is disrupting the classroom and you would like to discuss the situation.
- A student is having difficulties and you feel s/he could benefit from additional support .



To discuss a concern about a student, please schedule an appointment with the Manager of Judicial Affairs, Moraima Cunningham, located in room 2113 Boylan Hall, 718-951-5352. You can also visit the website (http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/departments/sa/sa_rules.htm) to review the various B.C. policies and to access a SBF.

G.O.L.D.

The Office of Governance, Orientation & Leadership Development (G.O.L.D.) is responsible for the Student Government elections and serves as a liaison between Student Government and BC Administration. The Office is supervised by Vanessa Green, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs. The Coordinator of G.O.L.D. is David Wells.

Additionally, the Office is responsible for preparing new freshmen, transfer, and graduate students, to have the best possible experience at Brooklyn College, through its Campus Life Orientation program. We have found that students have benefitted from "Orientation" by building the confidence and comfort to navigate our campus and procedures, as well as, build strong new relationships. We take great pride in this, as often these friendships are vital to a positive campus experience, and career opportunities post graduation.

As part of Leadership Development, the G.O.L.D. office facilitates a weekly Community Planning Student Forum where students are given a venue to bring their concerns, issues, and suggestions about ways in which the College can make it easier, and more comfortable for students.

Although the name says G.O.L.D., students can expect to be given "platinum treatment", as the G.O.L.D. Office follows the Division of Student Affairs mission of guiding every individual to enhanced personal and academic success!

The G.O.L.D. Office is located in Room 314, Student Center. Our phone number is 718-951-5964 and our e-mail is studorientation@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

Join our Fan page on **Facebook:**
Brooklyn-College Gold-Office.



The Office of Governance, Orientation & Leadership Development

Personal Counseling

"Workshops are offered on stress management, time management, test anxiety, dealing with procrastination and more."

Personal Counseling is available to all Brooklyn College students and is free of charge. A staff of psychologists, counselors and social workers are available to assist you with personal issues or problems you may experience during your college years. Emergency consultations and referrals to outside services are also provided. Workshops are also offered on "Stress Management", "Time Management," "Test Anxiety," "Procrastination", and more.

All services are free and confidential. No information is released without the student's consent. Appointments for

services may be made in person, or by phone.

Students should also visit the Personal Counseling website (<http://pc.brooklyn.cuny.edu/>) for more information on office hours and other topics, including tips and advice on common problems many students may face such as stress & anxiety, trouble sleeping, and even depression.

Located in 0203 James Hall, Personal Counseling can be reached via phone at 718-951-5363.

BROOKLYN COLLEGE ATHLETICS

A good education, health, and interaction with others are vital components to personal well-being and a fulfilling life. To help Brooklyn College students achieve these aims, the Department of Recreation, Intramurals and Intercollegiate Athletics (funded mostly by student activity fees), organizes, administers and promotes a diversified program of activities and services – from individual workouts to a broad array of team sports.

The Brooklyn College Bulldogs compete at the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III level and are members of the City University of New York Athletic Conference (CUNYAC). The College fields 12 varsity athletic teams, six each for women and men, as well as a co-ed cheerleading squad. All students, whatever their level of athletic experience, have the opportunity to be part of a team.

The recreation program at Brooklyn College provides a wide range of noncompetitive experiences to individuals as well. Members of the college community may use the excellent facilities to work out for relaxation and physical fitness during their leisure time. There are also intramural events, including team sports, individual and dual sports, and one-day special events.

These activities complement the academic curriculum by meeting needs for relaxation, physical fitness, achievement, and comraderie. Located in the West Quad Center, Recreation, Intramurals and Intercollegiate Athletics can be reached by phone at 718-951-5366.

For more information visit: www.brooklyncollegeathletics.com, the official web site of the Department of Recreation, Intramurals and Intercollegiate Athletics.



Women's Center

The Brooklyn College Women's Center has the distinction of being the oldest college women's center in the United States. By expanding the conventional direct services approach of a traditional women's center focusing on solving immediate crisis through referrals and/or counseling, the Brooklyn College Women's Center is committed to adopting a wide-range of multi-dimensional, needs-driven program activities addressing the emotional, intellectual, physical and financial well-being of the whole person.

Our challenge is to create, promote, and organize programs that raise awareness of women's issues, and in return, empower participants to live a fuller life. One that will reduce victimization, encourage self-sufficiency/independence, and learn the skills to

help women organize and sustain an environment where they are better able to maintain a healthy lifestyle, and make choices that will positively impact their own futures.

The Center houses the "Returning Women's Cafe", a multi-function drop-in lounge, the Alice Miller computer lounge, and a resource center. Coffee and tea are available during regular office hours.

Spring Semester Hours are:
Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m
& Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Come visit us at 227 New Ingersoll Hall.

You can reach us by phone at 718-951-5777 or by e-mail at: womenscenter@brooklyn.cuny.edu.



CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION

The Campus Beautification Project is staffed by student volunteers who evaluate and update the nearly 500 bulletin boards on campus each semester. Approximately 25 boards are designated as "open for campus community use"; the remaining boards are allocated to departments, offices, and student organizations. The many available boards help address the challenges students have expressed on giving and getting information on such a large campus. It is part of the Campus Beautification Project's mission to utilize and maintain the college's bulletin boards to improve the way our campus looks

and functions, and we hope everyone in the B.C. community will do their part! Contact CampusBeautification@brooklyn.cuny.edu for more information, and to volunteer!



LAY ADVOCATE

The Lay Advocate Office is a student volunteer organization, offering preventive law and paralegal counseling under the supervision of an attorney, to B.C. students. It is located in 139 Ingersoll Hall and can be reached by calling 718-951-5360. Confidentiality is assured in all matters.

Veterans Affairs

The mission of the Brooklyn College Veteran Affairs and Counseling Center is to assist America's veterans, their family members, and survivors in obtaining all federal and state educational benefits and entitlements they have earned by serving in the United States military, while also providing guidance and support services to aid veterans in their transition to academic and civilian life.

Services include: assisting veterans in applying for the G.I. Bill, certifications and validations of educational benefits in compliance with current state and veteran's administration regulations. Veterans Affairs also aids with updating information regarding changes in education benefits, and assists with academic course planning, discharge upgrades, military transcript, referrals and college services.

V.A. Highlights from the Fall 2010 Semester:

The Veterans Day Program Committee celebrates Veterans Day with a luncheon, where veterans, members of the college community and students are

recognized for their support and services to the veterans at Brooklyn College. The highlight of the luncheon are the invited leaders from the military and veteran community who help educate the campus community regarding military heritage and culture.

During the spring, the highlighted event is the Memorial Day Weekend program in Washington, DC. which is open not only to all veterans and students but their families and friends.

The Veteran Students' Organization in collaboration with CUNY, participates in both the Veterans Day Parade in New York City and the Memorial Day Parade in Washington, D.C.

Other activities include Veterans Focus Group, and Informational Sessions to better determine the needs of the students served and adapt to meet these needs.

The Office is located in 0303 James Hall, and can be contacted at 718-951-5105, veteransaffairs@brooklyn.cuny.edu, or <http://depthome.brooklyn.cuny.edu/vacc>.



The B.C. Student Center



The Student Center is home to Student Activities Central, various organizations including the day, night, and graduate Student Governments and the Inter-Greek Council. It also contains study and lounge spaces, a TV room, and a Campus Information Desk where you can check-in your personal belongings, inquire about campus services and events, and contact Brooklyn College departments. A game room/cafe, 'The Spot', is located on the 1st floor where you can grab a snack, a cup of coffee and play "Guitar Hero" or game of pool. All proceeds generated by Student Center Cafe are invested back into the Student Center to make it an even more exciting place to be!

The Brooklyn College Conference Center, comprised of the top two floors of the Student Center, is a meeting Complex open to students, faculty, staff, and residents of the local community. It offers flexible meeting spaces that can accommodate large assemblies, conventions, movie screenings, and award ceremonies.

The Center is located on East 27th Street and Campus Road. Stop by and take advantage of all it has to offer.

EMS/Emergency Medical Services

The Brooklyn College Emergency Medical Squad (BC-EMS) is a student based volunteer service, located in 021 Ingersoll Hall Extension, providing emergency pre-hospital medical care, ambulance services, limited medical screenings, and medical stand-by services for on and off campus events. For more information on BCEMS check out their web site: <http://students.brooklyn.cuny.edu/ems>.



The Information Booth

The Information Booth offers assistance to students and campus visitors. Located on the first floor of Boylan Hall and in operation since 1996, it operates seven days a week during the Fall and Spring semesters, with a reduced schedule during the Summer sessions. Staffed by trained student assistants, the Information Booth provides information on campus services, maps of the campus, and directions to campus offices. With a goal of providing accurate answers to inquiries from students and others, the staff reflects Brooklyn College's multicultural and multilingual nature. This diversity allows students to receive assistance from other students who are just like them. The Info Booth can be reached by phone at 718-951-4748 or by e-mail at: info@brooklyn.cuny.edu.



B.C. Health Clinic

The Brooklyn College Health Clinic offers students a wide array of affordable, confidential, and accessible primary care services. These include the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of acute and chronic illnesses. Health education and prevention opportunities are emphasized, along with early screening for detection of disease.

Care is delivered in a patient-centered manner, with respect for the individual's lifestyle, values, and cultural traditions. Students are encouraged to be partners in their own health care decision-making. There is no fee for seeing a practitioner. Laboratory tests, when indicated, are billed to the patient's health insurance, or directly to the individual at reduced rates. Walk-in and scheduled visits are available Monday through Thursday at the BC Health Clinic. Stop by 114 Roosevelt Hall or call 718.951.5580 or look them up on the web: www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/departments/hclinic .



Student Life & Housing

The Office of Student Life and Housing promotes campus life and activities for Brooklyn College students that live both on and off campus. The Office is also responsible for the residential life programming at Brooklyn College.

For those students wanting to live near campus the office offers housing referrals to the Residence Hall, (located two blocks from campus) a 220 room facility that sits on the corner of Farragut and Kenilworth, and other housing sources in the Brooklyn area.

Information on the Residence Hall can be found at: <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/residence.htm>.

The Student Life & Housing Office is located in 219 Student Center and can be reached by calling 718-951-6534.

Also, check out our blog at <http://bcreslife.blogspot.com> and on **Facebook: Brooklyn College Residence Life** to find out more information on upcoming events.



S.A.R. - Student Assistance & Referral

Brooklyn College students seek assistance from a variety of sources. As a student-focused campus, our goal is to make the process of a student getting help and direction, as seamless as possible. Student Assistance and Referral (S.A.R) assists all students in accessing resources and problem solving non-academic concerns or inquiries. If you are unsure how/where to get help, make a request, or voice concerns about a problem or issue, we are here to help.

We are located in 2106 Boylan Hall. To get help or to schedule an appointment email: studentsar@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

S.A.R. also provides oversight for select student emergency loan and grant funds administered by the Division of Student Affairs. To find out more about these programs visit: <http://sar.brooklyn.cuny.edu>.

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Health Programs & Immunization Requirements

The Office of Health Programs & Immunization Requirements' primary function is to ensure compliance with the immunization regulation, while promoting health education on campus. The Office is responsible for immunization processing, health/resource fairs, seminars, and blood drives. It also provides information on health and wellness issues, and low-cost health insurance.

The Office is located in 0710 James Hall and can be contacted at 718-951-4505 or e-mail at: hpo@brooklyn.cuny.edu.





BC Guidepost

Your Guide to Campus Life and College Services Brooklyn College Division of Student Affairs

For general information visit the Information Booth, 1139a Boylan Hall; the web: studentaffairs.brooklyn.cuny.edu, or e-mail: info@brooklyn.cuny.edu. To call from off campus use (718) 951 + extension listed, unless otherwise noted.

If You Need Information About (A-O)

Call or See

KEY= Office (Room Number, Phone Extension)

Accessing Resources & Problem Solving	S.A.R. (2106B, x 5352)
After Hours Access to Campus	Judicial Affairs (2113B, x 5352)
Bulletin Boards	Campus Beautification Project (2113B, x 5352)
CLASE Passport Activities/Civic Engagement	Civic Engagement and Voter Empowerment (2110B, x 5352)
Child Care	Early Childhood Center (1604J, x 5431)
Clubs/Joining a Club/Starting a Club	Student Activities Central (302BCSC, x 5712)
Commencement Ceremony Information	http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/commencement.htm S.A.R. (2106B, x 5352)
Counseling	Personal Counseling (0203J, x 5363)
Emergency Contact Request	Campus Security and Public Safety (0202N, x 5511)
Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	Volunteer Emergency Medical Squad (021NE, x 5858)
Emergency Personal Resource Assistance	S.A.R. (2106B, x 5352)
Events Calendar	Information Booth/Web Portal/BCNN/"What's Happening" (1st Fl. BCSC, x 5842)
Event Planning	For Students (302BCSC, x 5712)/All Others (1st fl. BCSC, x 5528)
Fitness Center	Athletics, Recreation and Intramurals (426WQ, x 5366)
Flyers (Posting Information for Student Activities)	Student Activities Central (302BCSC, x 5712)
Food Services	Student Center Café (1st Fl. BCSC)/Cafeteria (Lower Level Boylan Hall, x 4348)
Health Clinic	Health Clinic (1148R, x5580)
Housing Referral	Office of Student Life and Housing Referrals (219BCSC, x 6534)
Immunization & Health Insurance Info	Health Programs Office (0710J, x 4505)
International Students	International Students Office (1600J, x 4477)
Internships/Jobs	Magner Center (1303J, x 5696, x 5774)/Human Resources (1219B, x 5277)
Legal Services	Lay Advocate (139NE, x 5360)
Lost and Found	Campus Security and Public Safety (0202N, x 5511)
Medical Care	Health Clinic (1148R, x5580)
Orientation Program for New Students	G.O.L.D. (314BCSC, x 5964)

D.O.S.A.: Division of Student Affairs
S.A.R.: Office of Student Assistance & Referral
G.O.L.D.: Governance, Orientation & Leadership Development Office

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R=Roosevelt BCSC=Student Center
WEB=West End Building
WQ=West Quad Center

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Religious Holidays	Schedule of Classes (www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/portal)
Rules and Expectations	Judicial Affairs (2113B, x 5352)/Brooklyn College Student Handbook
Safety/Security/Workplace Violence	Campus Security and Public Safety (0202N, x 5511)
Shuttle Service to bus/subway	Campus Security and Public Safety (0202N, x 5511)
Sports/Recreation	Athletics, Recreation and Intramurals (426WQ, x 5366)
Student Affairs	http://studentaffairs.brooklyn.cuny.edu
Student Filming on Campus	Student Affairs Office (2113B, x5352), Judicial Affairs (2113B, x 5352)
Student Government	SG Offices, 3rd Floor BCSC/ G.O.L.D. (314BCSC, x 5964)
Student Grievances (non-academic)	S.A.R. (2106B, x. 5352)
Student Media (Newspapers, Radio Station, etc.)	Student Activities Central (302BCSC, x 5712)
Study Skills/Test Anxiety Workshops	Personal Counseling (0203J, x 5363)
Substance Abuse Information	Personal Counseling (0203J, x 5363), Health Clinic (1148R, x5580)
Time Management Workshops	Personal Counseling (0203J, x 5363)
Transfer Credits Information	http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/200.htm
Transfer Credit Sheet & Equivalencies	http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/departments/documents/faculty_council/AttachCp2.pdf
Transfer Credits within CUNY	TIPPS website: http://www.tipps.cuny.edu
Transfer Credit Tool (Non-CUNY)	http://websql.brooklyn.cuny.edu/transferbc
Transfer Information/Evaluations	Office of the Registrar (306WQ, x 5911)
Transfer Orientation	G.O.L.D. (314BCSC, x 5964)
Transfers Facebook site	http://www.facebook.com/bc.transfers , S.A.R. (2106B, x. 5352)
Transfer Student Admission Requirements	http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/521.htm
Transfer Student Advisement	Transfer Student Services (3207B, x 5471)
Transfer Student FAQ	http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/723.htm
Veterans Affairs and Counseling	Veterans Office (0303J, x 5105)
Volunteer Service Recognition (SERVA)	Peer Education Service Office/SERVA (524 BCSC, x 5004, x 5352)
Voter Registration /U.S. Citizenship/Poll Workers	Civic Engagement and Voter Empowerment (2110B, x 5352)
Yearbook	G.O.L.D. (314BCSC, x 5964)/Broeklundian (152NE, x 5910)

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Events

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