

THE ADVOCATE

STUDENT SUCCESS COACHING UNIT NEWSLETTER

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Shh...It's a Secret!

"I played the drums for one year in the seventh grade".- *Angela Rios, Director*

"I have so many snacks at my desk the coaching unit calls me 'the candy man.'- *Derek Ivery, Fall 2012, Fall 2014*

"I love to make guacamole but always put too many red onions."- *Safiya Faustin, Fall 2012*

" I went skiing with my son thinking that I was a good skier or that I could. However, at the top of the slope I inched my way down on my buttocks until I hit the bottom."- *Alba Lynch, Fall 2012*

" I did not experience the fun aspects of reading until I was 13 years old."- *Jose Ramos, Spring 2013*

"I have the gift of speaking and hearing dead people."- *Carmen Sosa, Spring 2013*

"I love traveling and I was once allowed to fly a plane without a license in Venezuela en route to Angel Falls, the highest waterfall in the world."- *Nelson Castro, Fall 2013*



Back Row (Left to Right): Safiya, Taylor, Jasmine, Derek, Isabel, Ramon, Eon, Jose, and Nelson. Middle Row: Carmen, Krystal, Aura, Angela, Sasha, Alba. Seated: Ruth, Sherryan, Allison, and Jeanette.

Getting to know SSCU!

The Student Success Coaching unit is made up of 18 coaches, divided into cohorts. A student is assigned a cohort based on their entering semester. For example a student who is a first time freshman during Fall 2014 belongs to the Fall 2014 cohort. Webster's dictionary also defines a cohort as a group of warrior or soldiers. The Coaches are definitely soldiers of progress. Our primary function is to provide centralized professional coaching to students from the start of their education career through to degree completion. We also want to make sure that you are aware and take advantage of the various resources on campus. In short, we are here to help you achieve personal and academic success during your time at Hostos!

The Student Success Coaching Unit is located:

500 Grand Concourse, Building B Room 208

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR COACH TODAY!

(718) 664-2560

"I was raised on an island that is not Manhattan."- *Sherryan Francis, Fall 2013*

" I dream of being the 2016 Nathan's world hot dog champ."- *Eon Dukes, Fall 2013*

"Southern belle that enjoys cooking."- *Ruth Jones, Fall 2013*

"Rollerblading is one of my favorite hobbies to do and I LOVE the show "The Walking Dead"- *Jasmine Caccavelli, Spring 2014*

"I was DJ Kryz Ice in a previous life."- *Krystal Gonzalez, Spring 2014*

"I love belly dancing!" –*Aura Paulino, Spring 2014*

"I went parasailing in Hawaii"- *Allison Baptise, Fall 2014*

"I lived in a tent for three months at the top of a 7,000 ft. mountain in the Colorado Rockies."- *Sasha Ortiz, Graduation Tracking*



SSCU Initiatives

Check out what we're working on! The Coaching Unit has a number of special initiatives that are currently in progress:

Citibank Grant

In collaboration with Citibank, students with an assigned coach who pay for one summer course will be able to take a second course payable by Hostos. In addition, these students will commit to three financial coaching sessions in an effort to increase financial literacy on campus.

New Student Orientation

Students are provided with information on college wide departments and resources as well as taken on a tour of the college. The goal is to make the freshman transition from high school to college as seamless and possible!

Training & Professional Development

SSCU undergoes continuous training and improvement so that we can be sure we are serving our students in the best ways possible.

New Student Technology Workshop

Students will learn how to use CUNY first, Blackboard, and Hostos web mail in addition to learning about other technology resources available at the college. Rewards points are given to those who attend.

Allied Health Partnership

Considering a major in Allied Health? Coaches Jose Ramos and Ruth Jones collaborate with Dr. O'Reilly to facilitate pre-clinical orientations Nursing, Dental Hygiene, and Radiology majors.

Readmission

SSCU coaches are working on creating programs and workshops to engage our stopped out student population.

Check out our next issue of *The Advocate* coming in **July**