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# THE ADVOCATE

## STUDENT SUCCESS COACHING UNIT NEWSLETTER

Get Ready, Get Set, Go! | The Welcome Issue Fall 2015

#### Fun Staff Facts

# What three things would you bring to a deserted island?

"Rosetta Stone for German-Italian and Japanese, ample supply of water, sunblock".- Angela Rios, Director

"TV/DVD player, a ton of gumbo, candy bowl with candy to make friends... never know who will show up"

- Derek Ivery, Fall 12 & Fall 14

"Cherries, journal and a pen" - Nwanne Njoku, Fall 12

"My E-Reader that has lots of books, planting seeds that will grown my own garden and my kids."

- Alba Lynch, Fall 12

" Repellent, sandwich and underwear."

- Jose Ramos, Spring 13

"Knife, book on how to survive and matches."

- Carmen Sosa, Spring 13

"A big blade, the Allegory of The Cave (Plato), a harmonica.." - Nelson Castro, Retired Fall 13

"Music, chips and chocolate." - Sherryan Francis, Fall 13

"Swiss army Knife, antibiotics, and fishing pole"

- Ruth Jones, Fall 13

"Ipad, sun tan lotion and my baby fox" – Renata Burgos, Fall 13

### **GET READY!**



- 1. **SEE YOUR COACH:** Room B-208; (718) 664 2560
- 2. CHECK YOUR FINANCIAL AID. NOW!

http://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Administrative-Offices/Office-of-

#### Financial-Aid

- Federal School Code for Hostos: 008611
- New York State Code (TAP) for Hostos: 1401

#### Financial Aid Office Fall 2015 Hours and Location

**D-B112** – (718) 518 – 6556

Mon: 10am to 4:45pm Tue: 10am to 4:45pm Wed: 10am to 6:45pm Thu: 10am to 6:45pm Fri: 10am to 1pm

3. REGISTER!

- Having problems registering? Make sure you don't have any holds on your CUNY 1st account. Sign in and check the holds section on the right-hand side of your student center. It's that easy! Need more help? **SEE YOUR COACH!**
- 4. If necessary, set up Payment Plan For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.mycollegepaymentplan.com/cuny">www.mycollegepaymentplan.com/cuny</a>

# GET SET!!

#### **Get your ID!**

- Based on your financial aid awards you may get additional funds for copies at the library with your ID.
- To get your ID go to basement of the B- Building (BC-42A) or ask any Public Safety Officer.

Establish priorities in school as well as in your personal life. Set yourself up for success. For example:

- If possible purchase your books before class starts
- While you wait for them ask professors if they can put them

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- "Tanning oil, food and a good pillow"

   Allison Baptiste, Fall 14
- "Desalinator, boat and fuel for a boat"

   Solomon Picou, Fall 14
- "Electricity, a form of communication and a phone charger"
  - Krystal Gonzalez, Spring 14
- "Pineapples and mangos, a ton of bacon and a lighter"
- Nicholas Acosta, Office Manager

#### **NEW ADDITIONS TO THE UNIT**

- "Phone with service (to contact my family), A book, and Basic Needs
- -Travaras Geter, Assistant Director
- "iPhone 6, a 80 inch TV so that I can watch my favorite show Power and sports, and my family."
  - -Jamal Biggs, Spring 13/15
- "Music (solor powered iPod), Jumbo Peanut Butter Cups, and my couch."
- -Graciano E. Matos, Spring 13/15
- "Memoryfoam body pillow, dental floss, something to watch netflix on."
  - -Thomasina Brown, Fall 15
- "My daughter, my cellphone (with service), and chocolate.
  - -Sasha Jimenez, Fall 15
- "My iPod, family/friend scrapbook, and homemade peach cobbler"
  - -Jasmine Smith, Fall 15
- Join Us in Congratulating Our
  Coaches moving on: Jeanette Rooney
  Sping 13, Nelson Castro Fall 13, Eon
  Dukes Fall 13, Aura Paulino Spring 14,
  and Sasha Ortiz Graduating and
  Tracking Specialist.
- As you look up and think of the many students lives you have changed....Staff members you've encouraged we love and support you

in reserve in the library.

- Print out your class schedule and familiarize with your buildings and classrooms locations.
  - Check your Hostos email at least twice a week
- Link your Hostos email to your phone (visit the Computer Lab C-595) right across from the Tutoring Center.

# **GO!!**

- Check schedule on CUNYfirst the day of classes
- · GO TO CLASS ( NO WN GRADES)
- · Be on time
- Request a syllabus
- Remember your professor's names
- SWAP if needed
- ASK ASK ASK QUESTIONS
- · BE PROACTIVE
- · JOIN A CLUB! SEE YOUR COACH

#### **Important Dates**

- <u>August 20<sup>th</sup></u>: Payment due. If you need to do a payment plan, make sure you log into your CUNY1st account and set it up by this date.
- <u>August 26<sup>th</sup></u>: Last day to drop classes and receive 100% refund!
  - August 27<sup>th</sup>: First day of classes
  - September 2<sup>nd</sup>: Last day to swap and/or drop/add with fees
- <u>September 10<sup>th</sup></u>: Freshmen Pledge Day Committing to your success! ON THE BRIDGE!
  - **November 9**th: LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW
- <u>December 14<sup>th</sup></u>: LAST DAY OF CLASSES! FINALS WEEK BEGINS!

