

## 2021/2022 COMMITTEE REPORT

### NAME OF COMMITTEE

Disability Issues

### CHAIR OF COMMITTEE

Elyse Zucker & Jessica Powell

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Biao Jiang, Minfeng Lin, Jessica Powell, Jorge Matos, Alexandra Milsom, Julie Trachman, Anne Rounds, Elyse Zucker, Raymond Perez, Sonia Maldonado

### DATES COMMITTEE MET

Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021; Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021; Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021; Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, prospective meeting date May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### ACTIONS TAKEN (PLEASE BE SPECIFIC)

- On behalf of the committee, Jessica and Elyse met with the Facilities Committee Chairperson, Prof. Marcella Bencivenni about what actions need to be taken regarding the B Building chair-lift problem; steps to be taken involve inquiry, discovery process of authorities involved. Investigation not yet completed.
- In collaboration with ARC, further action updating and employing the “COVID Catharsis” project underway.
- Established a foundation via discussion for finding ways to support students with disabilities in the classroom, such as obtaining funding for projects and implementing Universal Design training for faculty and staff; and disseminating information about ALLY, a Blackboard program for promoting accessibility in the classroom.
- Discussed introducing and disseminating to the committee members and the college contemporary models of thinking about disability along with traditional models.
- Created a Disabilities Issues Committee Logo

**HAVE STUDENTS BEEN REGULAR, PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF YOUR COMMITTEE?**

Yes, in the fall of 2021

*Attach any additional information or concerns you may have to this form and send it by **May 13, 2021** to:*

**Professors Julie Trachman and Michael Gosset, Co-Chairs of Committee on Committees, as well as Professor Ernest Ialongo, Chair of Hostos College Senate.**

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