

Dear Campus Community,

Please find below some updates and highlights regarding our work within the division for July 2024.

### **Center for Career Development & Experiential Learning**

The **Center for Career Development & Experiential Learning** is accepting new and/or gently used **professional attire** until Friday, September 6th, to help students prepare for interviews, internships, and careers. Please drop off your donations in Room C-102.

The office is open to support students' career-related endeavors. Employers will recruit in the Breezeway while classes are in session. Please continue to visit **Linktree** for details regarding who we will host: <https://linktr.ee/kcccareer>.

The virtual front desk hours are Mondays from 10:00am to 12:00pm and 2:00pm to 4:00 pm: <https://zoom.us/my/kcccareer>. Students can also visit Room C-102, call (718) 368-5115, or email [career.development@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:career.development@kbcc.cuny.edu)

### **Community Farm & Garden**

Weekly **vegetable distributions** will continue this month. Join us on Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the breezeway. For more updates, please follow us at **KCC\_CFG** on Instagram. Remember to bring a reusable bag!

For faculty questions, research, and collaborations, please contact **Dr. Shannon Caravello** at [Shannon.Caravello@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Shannon.Caravello@kbcc.cuny.edu). For updates, follow **KCC\_CFG** on Instagram.

### **Grant Proposals**

The **Mother Cabrini Foundation** invited KCC to submit proposals for two programs: 1) the Healthcare Scholarship program (\$150,000), which will provide support for students in the **Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA)** and **Certified Central Sterile Technician (CST)**. Scholarships will cover tuition and, in the case of the CST program, the previously unpaid externship. The second proposal is for a Doula and Maternal Health program (\$100,000). If awarded, this will support four cohorts over three years, providing free tuition, exam fees, and stipends.

The **New York State Department of Labor** released an RFP for a **Reemployment Training Grant program** to train under and un-employed individuals in regional priority sectors. The Division submitted a \$230,000 proposal for a Direct Support Professional/Community Habilitation Specialist program. DSPs and Com Hab Specialists support individuals with developmental disabilities so they can live independent and fulfilling lives. **Mercy Home for Children** and **Shivoo**, our two employer partners, have committed to providing on-the-job learning opportunities and employment upon successful completion.

### **Workforce Trainings**

**Maternal Health and DONA Doula Training** started on July 1. Forty-one (41) students enrolled, and several guest speakers presented, including **Dr. Kevicha Echols**, Director of the

Community Health Program and Interim Director of the Health Sciences Program; **Shawnee Benton Gibson**, Author, Activist, and Co-Founder of the ARIAH Foundation; and staff members from the **Caribbean Women's Health Association**. Students interested in applying for the fall 2024 cohort can [learn more about the program here](#) and [sign up for the waiting list here](#).

**Direct Support Professional/Community Habilitation (DSP/Com Hab)** training started on July 8. Thirty (30) students enrolled and are learning about the types of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and how to best support individuals with IDD to reach goals and milestones and live more fulfilling lives. Upon completing the training, students will earn four certifications, including CPR/AED/First Aid for Children and Adults. Students will also receive support with employment readiness and job search assistance.

The **CUNY Fatherhood Academy (CFA)** completed its Spring Cohort. Two students obtained their GED, and nine completed the program. Students received gifts and supplies through our new partnership with the **Good Plus Foundation**. We are currently recruiting for Fall, which starts on September 9. Candidates must be fathers or expectant fathers between the ages of 18 and 30 and can sign up for an [application session here](#).

The final **CompTIA A+** and **Network+** cohorts will launch in August and September. Under **Alita Maristany's** leadership, the program met and exceeded recruitment and completion goals. Graduates work with the Industry Liaison/Employment Specialist to secure employment opportunities in the field. The program is funded until January 31, 2025.

The **New Paths to Career Success** program concluded this month. **Alliah Asramon** and in collaboration with **College Now** and **CUNY's K-16 Initiatives**, students who graduated from transfer high schools, including **International High School at Lafayette, Liberation Diploma Plus, Olympus Academy, Professional Pathways, South Brooklyn Community, and Urban Dove**, were provided with the opportunity to enroll in EMT, CPR, CompTIA A+, and Network+ and UX training. They received college and career guidance as well as case management support services. We look forward to hosting future cohorts.

The first cohort of the **Contextualized ESL Home Health Aide (HHA)** training program was completed this month. The classes provided the knowledge, practical skills, and English language skills required to become a certified HHA. Students also received support services such as metro cards, lunch, books, and the opportunity to attend career fairs and network with potential employers. **The second cohort will begin in Fall 2024**. Interested applicants should [fill out the application link](#) and email [Afealliah.Asramon@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Afealliah.Asramon@kbcc.cuny.edu) with any questions.

Are you a professional working with students or clients who have **ADHD**? Sign up for the **Working with Children and Teens with ADHD** workshop on **Sunday, September, 29 from 9:30am-12:30pm**. Learn to help your clients improve their executive functioning skills and gain practical strategies and tools to manage ADHD-related challenges. Earn 3 CEUs if you are an NYS-licensed LCSW, LMSW, or LMHC. Register here: <https://ce.cuny.edu/kbcc/courseDisplay.cfm?schID=123403>

Are you a parent of a college-bound student? Sign up for our new workshop and learn how to **Help Your Child Prepare for the Transition to College**. Topics will include empowering your child to develop positive habits and lifelong organizational skills to excel in their academic and personal lives, getting practical tools you can use to support your child, understanding child brain development at this stage, and more. **Thursday, October 15, from 7:00-8:30pm**. Register here: <https://ce.cuny.edu/kbcc/courseDisplay.cfm?schID=123404>

**Cypress Hills-Fall Classes**. We will offer the following classes: **English as a Second Language; Sewing for Beginners; Administrative Assistant training program** consisting of two courses - Business Computing and Business Writing and Grammar; and **Notary Exam Prep**. For more information, contact [Angela.King@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Angela.King@kbcc.cuny.edu) or call 718-368-5116.

In partnership with **CAMBA**, the Division began an **AHLEI Certification** program this July, with three cohorts totaling 75 non-English natives working towards completing this globally recognized certification program. The AHLEI program is 48 hours of **NYSED WIOA-IELCE Hospitality & Tourism training in Golden Opportunities, Making Connections, and Certified Restaurant Server (40 hours)**.

The **Summer 2024 College For Kids program** started with 28 students, ages 5-13, enjoying fun and engaging courses right here on campus! Licensed NYS teachers lead various courses in Technology, Academics, and Sports.

### **ESL/HSE/SNAP Venture & CLIP Program**

For more information about CLIP and ESL70, and other programs, including the **High School Equivalency HSE-70, Alternative HSE Preparation (AHSEP), Diploma Now**, and grant programs (Strides to Continuing Success ESL/Food Handlers certificate training program, and Venture V for SNAP Participants program), please refer inquiries to the **ESL/HSE/SNAP** Program Office, at (718) 368-4870.

### **Continuing Education**

**The Fall 2024 catalog** is now live and online! Look for new, revised, and existing course and program offerings:

[kbcc.cuny.edu/ce/documents/Fall2024CatalogFinal.pdf](https://kbcc.cuny.edu/ce/documents/Fall2024CatalogFinal.pdf)

Join us at our **Online Information Session** on **September 4th** at [12pm](#) and [6pm](#)- to learn all about our offerings and the chance to receive the special promo code to save \$25 off eligible courses!

For more information, please call (718) 368-5050 or contact us via email at [conted@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:conted@kbcc.cuny.edu)