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— CLASS OF 2026 —

*Celebrating the Journey,  
Honoring the Future*



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## Kingsborough Community College Celebrates the Class of 2026

On June 18, 2026, Kingsborough Community College proudly celebrated its **61st Commencement Ceremony** at the iconic **Coney Island Amphitheater**, honoring the achievements, perseverance, and accomplishments of the **Class of 2026**.

Surrounded by family, friends, faculty, staff, and supporters, graduates crossed the stage to mark the culmination of years of hard work and dedication. The ceremony celebrated not only academic success but also the resilience, determination, and strength that define the Kingsborough community.

This year's commencement featured an inspiring keynote address from **Gregg Bishop, Executive Director of the Social Justice Fund** and former

**Commissioner of the New York City Department of Small Business Services**. Drawing upon his extensive experience in public service, leadership, and community development, Bishop encouraged graduates to embrace opportunity, lead with purpose, and use their talents to create meaningful change in their communities.

The Class of 2026 represents the extraordinary diversity and spirit of **Kingsborough Community College**. Many graduates balanced their academic pursuits with careers, caregiving responsibilities, military service, leadership roles, and countless personal challenges. Their achievements reflect the transformative power of education and the unwavering commitment of students to their goals.

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As graduates embark on the next chapter of their journeys—whether transferring to four-year institutions, entering the workforce, pursuing advanced degrees, or serving their communities—they carry with them the knowledge, skills, and experiences gained at Kingsborough.

# Congratulations!

The **Office of Student Affairs** extends its heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2026 and gratitude to the faculty, staff, families, and friends whose support helped make this milestone possible.

**Congratulations, Class of 2026. We are proud of your accomplishments and excited to see the impact you will make in the world.**



“Success is not about perfection. It is about resilience, growth, and discovering who you are.” -Myat Khine Zan '26, Theater Arts



“Don't be shy, speak up, ask questions, and never hesitate to seek help. It is the encounters with Kingsborough's community members that can transform your life.” -Urwa Karaz Malik '26, Engineering Science



# The Voices of Kingsborough

Representing the spirit and achievements of the Class of 2026, **Valedictorian Urwa Faraz Malik** and **Salutatorian Myat Khine Zan** exemplify excellence, leadership, and dedication to the Kingsborough community.



VALEDICTORIAN

## Urwa Karaz Malik

*Engineering Science*

Urwa arrived in New York from Pakistan in 2024 with a dream of becoming a NASA engineer. While balancing work and college coursework, she transformed challenges into opportunities through determination, mentorship, and academic excellence.

During her time at Kingsborough, Urwa maintained a 4.0 GPA while serving as a **Student Ambassador**, **Phi Theta Kappa leader**, **Earth Day organizer**, and student researcher. Her experiences led to opportunities with **Cornell University’s Research Experience for Undergraduates** program, the **Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship**, and multiple leadership initiatives across campus.

For Urwa, Kingsborough became more than a college—it became a community that encouraged her to speak up, pursue her ambitions, and believe in her own potential.



SALUTATORIAN

## Myat Khine Zan

*Theater Arts*

An international student from Myanmar, Myat’s journey to Kingsborough began with perseverance, determination, and the courage to pursue her dreams despite uncertainty. After overcoming challenges in her path to studying in the United States, she found a home at Kingsborough where she embraced leadership, creativity, and community engagement.

As **Vice President of Student Affairs for the Student Government Association**, **Vice President of the Theater Club**, **Student Ambassador**, and **Honors Scholar**, Myat became a familiar face across campus. Through theater productions, student leadership, and cultural programming, she inspired others while proudly sharing her identity and heritage.

Her time at Kingsborough taught her that true success is measured not only by achievements, but by growth, resilience, and the impact we make on others.

**MAKING WAVES: CLASS OF 2026**

# Our Graduates

*The Class of 2026 has demonstrated the values that define the Kingsborough community. As our graduates move forward, they carry with them the lessons, friendships, and experiences that began here at KCC.*

***Congratulations, Class of 2026. Keep making waves and creating a better future for all!***

|                         |                         |                      |                          |                     |
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| Josephine Abasova       | Dedo Akwetey-Aboagye    | Allan Anderson       | Joshua Baird             | Thomas Bewsher      |
| Haris Abbasi            | Yasemin Akyuz           | Hayward Anderson     | Firdeus Bakalli          | Ayanna Bhakta       |
| Genie Abdelaziz         | Abdulrahman Al Raghili  | Quaid Andrews        | Aziza Bakayeva           | Mahir Bhuiyan       |
| Rayaan Abdelaziz        | Mohammad Alam           | Alonzo Andrews       | Jordon Baker             | Joshua Bilenkis     |
| Tiffany Abdelkaouey     | Ansa Alam               | Mikhail Andreyev     | Shamar Baker             | Frances Binkin      |
| Giovan Abdelsater       | Vanessa Alarcon         | Faruq Anjorin        | Rodrigo Balbuena         | Charlize Bittman    |
| Izzatullo Abduahatov    | Jaime Alatraste         | Abdulrahman Ankassem | Steven Balladares        | Francine Blaise     |
| Zuvayda Abdukhalilova   | Sara Alawi              | Andrea Ansah         | Rocio Baltazar Navarrete | Ky-yaKayla Blake    |
| Yuola Abrams            | Keriana Albert          | Kagiso Antrobus      | Tehila Banoun            | Samantha Blake      |
| Mohammed Abrar          | Azhar Aldafari          | Giuseppa Anzalone    | Tehila Banoun            | Talicka Blake       |
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| Sedean Abualroub        | Kaiden Alexander        | Tyler Applewhite     | Alexander Baratashvili   | Wiktorija Blatnik   |
| Luka Abutidze           | Felina Alexander        | Karen Aragon         | Hoorya Barekzai          | Shabreea Blount     |
| Seif Abuzahriyeh        | Mitchell Alexandre      | Matthew Arceo        | Curtis Barjon            | Rivka Boas          |
| Victoria Acevedo        | Carlene Alexis          | Jestiny Armstrong    | Josue Barjon-Jr          | Justinna Boatwright |
| Daria Adamchik          | Rayan Algahim           | Kimberly Arnesen     | Amalia Barker            | Anton Bockmeyer     |
| Omolara Adebayo         | Rihan Algahim           | Eliza Arrington      | Michael Barnett          | Anastasiya Bolgova  |
| Amya Adkins             | Abear Alhanshali        | Richard Arroyo       | Belinda Barreiro         | Sofiia Bondar       |
| Tyesha Affriany         | Ali Hashem Ali          | Jancarlo Arteaga     | Saimya Barrett           | Elena Bondarenko    |
| Anna Afonin             | Syed Ali                | Adrianna Arthur      | Rashaud Barrow           | Christian Bonilla   |
| Shadmaan Afzal          | Rashida Ali             | Shahzoda Asadova     | Mariamou Barry           | Alessio Bonvento    |
| Laiya Agababayeva       | Leilani Alicea          | Mushtariy Asadova    | Valerie Barsegyan        | Christopher Bortle  |
| Shauniece Agee          | Ofir Alkaslasi          | Suhrobjon Ashurkulov | Jermain Barthelmy        | Shiam Boston        |
| Osawaru Agho            | Sacha Allen             | Asadbek Aslamov      | Svetlana Bashkirtseva    | Imani Boucher       |
| Maxymus Agramonte       | Shakhnozakhon Almatova  | Solomon Asotie       | Klare Basov              | Christian Bourdeau  |
| Gabriel Aguila          | Abir Almoznino          | Souhaib Assiam       | Aneiyah Bastien          | Njeri Bowen         |
| Akin Aguilar            | Nabil Alom              | Mirsaid Astonov      | Youry Bastien            | Kayereathea Boyd    |
| Miguel Aguilar          | Rowa Alomari            | Sehuim Atiq          | Curtis Battle            | Yousef Braktia      |
| Carlos Aguilar Chavaloc | Omear Alomari           | Daniel Atkin         | Sammy Baum               | Malcolm Brathwaite  |
| Zarnigor Ahadova        | Mikaela Alonso          | Alessia Atria        | Nekita Baxter            | Evan Brewer         |
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| Zihan Ahmed             | Maisa Alvarado          | Kyle Austin          | June Bechard             | Eugene Brobbey      |
| Jahir Ahmed             | Celia Alvarez           | Rebecca Avedan       | Stephanie Beckford       | William Broccio     |
| Asiya Ahmed             | Cleyris Alvarez         | Samantha Avilas      | Aamna Begum              | Seirra Brown        |
| Azhar Ahmed             | Elizabeth Alvarez       | Llefri Aviles        | Nina Belilovsky          | Marques Brown       |
| Dahyana Ahmed           | Hebah Alwawi            | Brenda Aviles        | Shelley Belle            | Akeem Brown         |
| Imtiaz Ahmed            | Aleksandra Alyeksyeyeva | Taha Ayaz            | Stephon Benjamin         | Nevaeh Brown        |
| Sophia Ahmed            | Shaima Alzawkari        | Ewan Ayoub           | Crystal Bennett          | Jahmani Brown       |
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| Farhana Akter           | Rukhshona Amrilloeva    | Dianeese Bailey      | Kemone Best              |                     |
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 Jenna Buckman  
 Richard Bugayev  
 Chardanay Burgess  
 Oneisha Burgos  
 Michelle Buri Cumbe  
 D'Cody Burnside  
 Maritza Burton  
 Nikita Burukhin  
 Aisha Butt  
 Muhammad Butt  
 Mavish Butt  
 Areeb Butt  
 Angelia Byer  
 Tonique Bynoe  
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 Yvel Delma  
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 Mike Denis  
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 Marquise Deonarinesingh  
 Cihan Depe  
 Mianda Dericieux  
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 Tiffany Desilva  
 Clara Desir  
 Alex Destin  
 Caroline Devastey  
 Adama Diallo  
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 Joseph Diaz  
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 Jayden Easter  
 Denia Eato  
 Nagwa Edris  
 Destiny Edwards  
 Alecia Edwards  
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 Alexandra Egorova  
 Gerwin Eje  
 Hajar Elaida  
 Sheldon Elder  
 Kahandie Elliot  
 Jadah Elliott  
 Judy Elreweny  
 Menatallah Elsayed  
 Emily Elyzee  
 Nikita Entenzon  
 Shakhnoza Eralieva  
 Bayron Escamilla  
 Tiffany Escamilla  
 Bibimeryem Esenova  
 Nozima Eshonova  
 Estefania Espinal  
 Kimberly Espinola  
 Karla Espinoza  
 Lorena Estrada  
 Rosa Europa Campos  
 Shana Evans  
 Gamila Fadel  
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Michael Ginsburg  
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Simone Giudice  
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Vonette Godfrey  
Bridgetlee Goldstein  
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Jack Gonsowski  
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Laylokhon Isakhonova  
Briana Isakow  
Nikhola Iskanderova  
Jonathan Iskov  
Minhajul Islam  
Rabiha Islam  
Rinad Islam  
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Jaida Jean-Louis  
Cache Jeffery  
Titilope Jeje  
Zakiya Jenkins  
Alaysia Jennings  
Ashley Jeune  
Yu Jiang  
Yuxin Jiang  
Eric Jiang  
Kara Jiang  
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Andres Jimenez  
Amanda Jobe  
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Dwayne John  
Hannah John  
Donika John  
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Daniel Johnson  
Angela Johnson  
Meleek Johnson  
Alexis Johnston  
Ebony Jones  
Sharon Jones  
Nya Jordan  
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Travis Joris  
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Sherley Joseph  
Taylor Joseph  
Andy Joseph  
Feston Joseph  
Merlina Joseph  
Melissa Joseph  
Carlhan Joseph  
Carl Henri Joseph  
Akeelah Joseph  
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Vesa Klenja  
Maxim Kliger  
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Vladyslav Kononov  
Gulnazi Kontchoshvili  
Nataliya Kopylyak  
Ekaterina Korb  
Karina Koshlakova  
Mukhammad  
Kosimkhujaev  
Konstantine  
Koukhalashvili  
Marina Kravtsova  
Jonathan Krimgold  
Katrine Kryzhanovsky  
Kostyantyn Kuchera

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Kianna Lamarre  
Jason Lamattina  
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Nikoloz Lashkarava  
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Talia Lavine  
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Joshua Lewis  
Yanqing Li  
Timothy Li  
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Angus Liang  
Erica Liang  
Katsiaryna Lichmanava  
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Perry Lim  
Ruizhen Lin  
Henry Lin  
Giovanny Lindor  
Gina Lindor  
Julia Lindsey  
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Keep making waves and creating a better future for all!***



# MAKING WAVES: ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

## Jerry Gilbert '10

For Jerry Gilbert, success is about more than closing deals—it's about creating opportunities, building communities, and giving back to the institution that helped launch his journey.

A proud Brooklyn native and **Kingsborough Community College Class of 2010 graduate**, Jerry earned his degree in **Tourism and Hospitality** before continuing his education at Baruch College's prestigious **Zicklin School of Business**, where he obtained a **bachelor's degree in Real Estate Investments**.

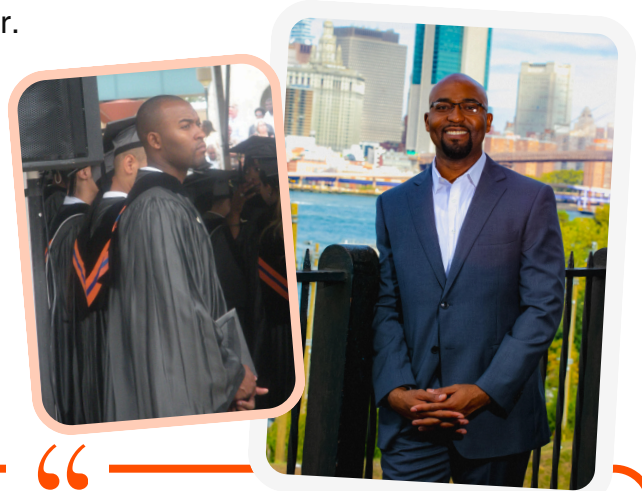
Today, he serves as the **Founder and Principal Broker of Greatest Real Estate Inc.**, a full-service brokerage that has been serving buyers, sellers, renters, and investors throughout Brooklyn and the greater New York City area since 2013.

Over the past decade, Jerry has built a reputation for integrity, transparency, and exceptional client service in one of the most competitive real estate markets in the country. His expertise spans residential sales, rentals, investments, and property management, helping countless individuals and families navigate the path to homeownership and financial stability. Beyond traditional brokerage services, Jerry has focused on developing affordable housing opportunities for low-income families, reflecting his belief that quality housing should be accessible to everyone.

Jerry credits Kingsborough with helping shape the mindset that would later fuel his entrepreneurial success. The confidence he gained as a student, coupled with the support and opportunities he found at KCC, inspired him to take risks, pursue his ambitions, and ultimately build his own business.

Today, he continues to give back as a member of the **Kingsborough Community College Foundation Board**, supporting future generations of students as they pursue their own educational and professional goals.

Guided by a commitment to honesty, hard work, and service, Jerry remains deeply connected to the Brooklyn community where his story began. Whether he is helping a first-time homebuyer, advising an investor, or mentoring students, he approaches every opportunity with the same dedication to excellence that has defined his career.



“KCC will always hold a special place in my story. If sharing that story can motivate even one student to keep going, it is more than worth it.”

-Jerry Gilbert

His message to current students is simple yet powerful: **believe in yourself, stay committed to your goals, and never underestimate where a Kingsborough education can take you.**

***Congratulations to Jerry Gilbert on his continued success and for serving as an outstanding example of what it means to be a Kingsborough alumnus.***

# De-Stress with the Dean: Celebrating the End of the Semester

As the semester comes to a close, the **Division of Student Affairs** invited students to take a well-deserved break during our **De-Stress with the Dean** event. Held on the last day of classes in The Cove, students gathered to relax, recharge, and prepare for finals in a fun and supportive environment.

Participants created personalized self-care kits, enjoyed pizza and snack bags, connected with peers, and spent time coloring and unwinding before the start of final exams. The event served as a reminder that academic success includes caring for our mental health and well-being.

**Dean Natasha Edwards** shared the importance of taking moments to pause and celebrate accomplishments, encouraging students to recognize how far they have come throughout the semester. The afternoon was filled with laughter, conversation, and community as students reflected on their achievements and looked ahead to summer.

The Division of Student Affairs is committed to creating opportunities for students to connect, engage, and feel supported throughout their Kingsborough journey.

## YOUR VOICE MATTERS

*Want to see more events like this? Have ideas, concerns, or suggestions you'd like to share?*

**Dean Natasha Edwards wants to hear from you!** Student feedback helps shape the programs, services, and experiences offered across campus.

For questions, suggestions, or to learn more about upcoming Student Affairs events, email [Natasha.Edwards@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Natasha.Edwards@kbcc.cuny.edu).

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Be on the lookout for our upcoming **Donuts with the Dean** events—a chance to enjoy a sweet treat, share your feedback, and help make Kingsborough an even stronger community for all students.



From L to R: Jenniffer Vasquez Felix, 2026-2027 SGA President, Fatima-Zahara Kamil, 2025-2026 SGA VP of Legislative Affairs, Chrystal Cooper, Assistant Director of Student Life, Aymen Kassim, 2026-2027 SGA Senator and Tia Younge, CUNY Ernesto Malave Leadership Academy

## KCC Student Leaders Attend CUNY Leadership Conference

Assistant Director of Student Life, **Chrystal Cooper**, accompanied a delegation of Kingsborough Community College student leaders to the **CUNY Council of Student Life Directors (CCSLD) New Leadership Challenge (NLC) & Emerging Leaders Conference (ELC)** held on June 10, 2026, at Medgar Evers College.

Centered around the theme, *“Advocacy in the Face of Apathy: Centering Student Voice in Uncertain Times,”* the conference provided an engaging and enriching opportunity for emerging student leaders preparing to serve in governance, advocacy, and campus leadership roles. Through interactive workshops, panel discussions, and networking opportunities with peers from across the CUNY system, participants explored strategies for effective leadership, civic engagement, and student advocacy.

The experience encouraged students to reflect on the importance of amplifying student voices, fostering inclusive campus communities, and leading with purpose during times of change.

Kingsborough’s student leaders returned inspired, empowered, and equipped with new skills and perspectives that will help strengthen student engagement and leadership across campus in the coming academic year.

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A KINGSBOROUGH LEADER?

Leadership starts with getting involved. Whether you’re interested in planning campus events, advocating for student needs, developing your leadership skills, or making a difference in the KCC community, the **Office of Student Life** has opportunities for you. From Student Government and student clubs to leadership development programs and campus-wide initiatives, there are countless ways to build connections, gain experience, and leave your mark at Kingsborough.

*Visit the Office of Student Life to learn how you can get involved, develop your leadership potential, and become a voice for your fellow students. Your leadership journey starts here!*

# VOICES ACROSS THE CURRENT

*Celebrating language learning, cultural exchange, and student success*

## Food (and English) For Thought!

**Yaroslava Bovkun**, a recent graduate of the **Contextualized ESL/Food Handlers Program**, enthusiastically describes how the course has brought her closer to reaching her personal and professional goals.

I am sincerely appreciative and grateful to **Kingsborough Community College** and to the organizers and instructors, for the opportunity to participate in the **Contextualized ESL / Food Handlers Program**.

I learned cooking and food safety skills while gaining a strong foundation for improving my English through lessons in grammar, writing, speaking and listening.

I am especially grateful to program coordinator, **Sabina Krivenko**, for her kindness and support. I thank **Marina Khusid**, the English instructor, for her expertise, professionalism, and individual attention to each student, which contributed to effective learning and created a friendly and engaging classroom atmosphere.

The opportunity to learn to express my thoughts clearly through structured essay writing was instrumental to my success. Marina's simple examples made complex material easier to understand and apply in a real-life environment, especially when conversing with native speakers of English.

Equally invaluable was the professional experience I gained working with **Chef Alan Hirsch** and College Lab Technicians, **Veronica Walrond** and **Judith Soto**.



“I highly recommend the ESL / Food Handlers Program to anyone who wants not only to improve their English, but also to gain professional skills and increase their employment opportunities.”  
-Yaroslava Bovkun”

Together with these warm and inspiring people, I acquired cooking and safe food handling skills, prepared a variety of dishes, and learned about the food service industry. Their passion for their work inspired me, and as a result, I developed a love for cooking.

Another highlight of the program was meeting and becoming friends with many of my classmates. Learning about their cultures and experiences greatly enriched my life and left me with warm memories.

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## ABOUT THE CONTEXTUALIZED ESL/FOOD HANDLERS PROGRAM

Targeted to ESL learners, this federally-funded WIOA grant program focuses on helping students improve their English, learn cooking techniques and food preparation skills, and study for the **NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)** and nationally-recognized ServSafe certifications, in preparation for careers in the food services industry.

The program incorporates **ServSafe** and **NYC DOHMH Food Handler certification** practices, covering health and safety during hands-on food preparation.

To be eligible to enroll, applicants must be English language learners demonstrating an intermediate or advanced level of English language skills.

Among the benefits, this program (free to eligible applicants) prepares students to take the industry-recognized DOHMH and ServSafe certification exams, assists students with the development of a resume and interviewing skills, and provides counseling, referrals, and job placement services.

***For more information or to register for the Fall 2026 semester, please call (718) 368-4870.***



## CONTEXTUALIZED FREE ESL & FOOD HANDLERS PROGRAM

Kingsborough  
Community College  
T2 Building, Room 231

### Requirements:

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must be a Non-Native English speaker and have an intermediate/High School level of English
- Able to commute to Kingsborough Community College campus at 2001 Oriental Blvd. Brooklyn, NY 11235

All books and materials are provided by the program

Tel: 718-368-4870

Virtual Office Zoom Meeting ID: 857 4347 7610



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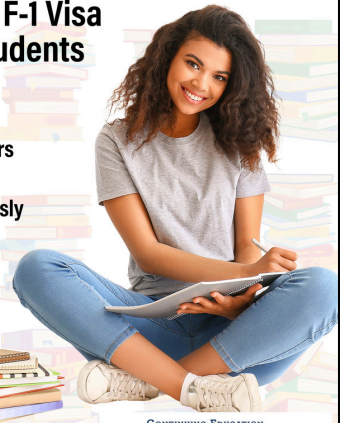
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# VOICES ACROSS THE CURRENT

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## From Sentence Structure to Scalpels: Meet Gulustan Ovezjanova, KELI Alum and Aspiring Surgeon

*by Dena H. Friedman*

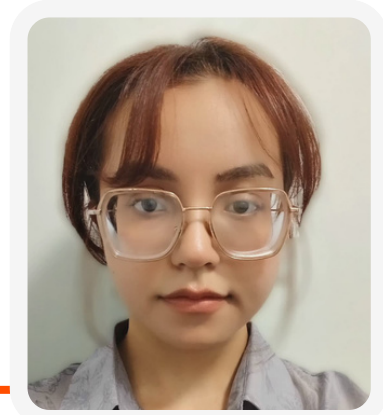
It's barely 8 a.m. on a spring Monday morning. Quiet and pensive, a young woman in glasses, sporting navy blue scrubs and a full backpack slung over her shoulder, walks purposefully down the corridors of the T2 building leading to the Surgical Technology Department. The door to the lab – and her future – open before her.

In just under two-and-a-half years in the United States, Turkmenistan native, **Gulustan Ovezjanova**, has achieved a great deal, and at a young age. She completed three semesters of the **Kingsborough English Language Institute (KELI/ESL70)**, was accepted to KCC, enrolled in science courses, and is now on her way to achieving her goal of becoming a **surgeon**. Fueled with talent and ambition, her scholarly pursuits at the college began with learning English.

Among her initial concerns, though, was that she would be placed in a basic/beginners' classroom and be bored and uninspired. Gulustan was pleasantly surprised when she joined KELI in winter 2024.

*"I liked that the program tests students' ability before putting them in any class, so they do not have to start all the way from the beginning if they don't need to. Students are placed in a class appropriate for their skill level."*

Having traveled to the U.S. alone like many of her peers; however, she felt a bit apprehensive about being in a class with strangers. She wondered if this would affect her learning and ability to succeed. Her concerns were soon allayed.



*"I researched a lot of colleges and ESL programs. I emailed them about information and how to apply, but the responses took too long, or I did not hear from them at all. Then, a friend mentioned KELI. After one inquiry, I received an immediate response, submitted all my documents easily, everything else ran smoothly, and I had great support from office personnel."*

*"I had never thought that I would have teachers that support students all the time. I was impressed by how they teach and try to involve each student to participate in class. It was better than expected."*

KELI (ESL 70) has much to offer English language learners. In addition to an academic, theme-based program that enables them to improve their oral and written English, there are multiple opportunities to learn and discover outside the classroom on fieldtrips, which is especially appealing.

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*“I really enjoyed that I was able to study and also have trips with my class, like museums and parks, and exploring other sights in New York City. I had a great experience while I was in the program,” Gulustan said, smiling.*

Having done exceedingly well in her first semester in KELI, she excelled through two advanced terms in the program. Just several weeks later, in September 2024, she began her academic journey as a Kingsborough Community College student.

This bright, self-assured young woman has long held a passion and talent for science. Her first college studies included required and advanced courses, eventually preparing her to be among the spring 2026 cohort of **KCC’s Surgical Technology Program**.

According to its description, students receive *“a balance of general education courses and an introduction to the theory and practice of Surgical Technology and Perioperative practice through classroom, laboratory, and clinical experiences.”*

Judging by the steady parade of scrubs-clad students in the corridor, the program is hugely popular. Gulustan explains its appeal.

*“I chose the Surgical Technology degree program because first, I want to experience how it feels to be in the medical field and in an operating room. Second, my goal is to become a surgeon, and this program is a great way to start. Honestly, I like everything about it,” she added. “I have lectures where we discuss various themes about the surgical technologist’s role. I have labs where I can experience real hands-on training.”*

As part of the two-year program, Gulustan is enrolled in anatomy and physiology lectures and labs, which will serve her well after graduation, when she is looking forward to going to medical school.

For now, she is pursuing her degree and putting her acquired English language skills to good use in and out of the “operating room”. Her advice to anyone aspiring to learn or improve their English?

*“KELI is a great way to start your journey, whether it is as a resident of the USA or as an international student. I highly recommend this program because the teachers and staff are of the highest quality. Nobody will regret this decision.”*

**For more information about the Kingsborough English Language Institute (KELI) or to register (program code ESL 70), please call (718) 368-4870. Our Summer 2026 term begins July 1.**



# VOICES ACROSS THE CURRENT

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*Nina A., poetically expresses her thanks to her teacher for creating a welcoming and supportive learning environment during the spring 2026 semester of the Kingsborough English Language Institute's full-time academic ESL-70 program.*

June 1, 2026

To My Dear Teacher:

Negativity will always sound louder than quiet gratitude. One sharp voice can drown out dozens of gentle ones because the human heart is built to remember what hurts – a little longer.

Everyone came with different expectations, different rhythms, different levels of willingness to truly take responsibility for their own growth. And – that does not make anyone bad – neither the student nor the teacher.

Some people expected knowledge to enter them on its own, like sunlight through an open window. Others opened grammar books late at night, went through your Google Classroom lessons with the excitement of reaching a new level in “Tetris”, searched, failed, returned, and tried again.

And maybe, the hardest part of being a teacher is not explaining grammar or correcting mistakes.

Maybe the hardest part is carrying the expectation of being the person who is supposed to know the perfect method for teaching twenty completely different people at once.

The one who leads.

The one who is expected to know better than everyone else.

The one who somehow is not allowed to be tired, imperfect, or human.

But one comment cannot hold the full truth about your work.

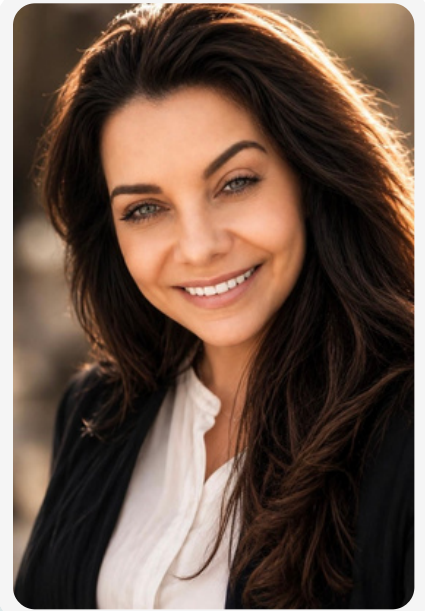
It does not know how many times someone breathed easier in your class.

How many people stopped feeling like soldiers sitting at a desk, afraid to move, late for life, guilty for every small mistake.

Thank you for creating a space where studying could remain part of life – instead of a punishment.

A place where people are allowed to show up as human beings instead of perfectly organized versions of themselves.

-Nina A.



# MAKING WAVES: CUNY EDGE STARRS

## KCC Celebrates CUNY EDGE Scholars

At Kingsborough Community College, student success is strengthened through programs that provide guidance, opportunity, and meaningful support throughout the college journey. One such initiative is **CUNY EDGE**, a partnership between the **City University of New York** and the **New York City Human Resources Administration**, designed to help students achieve academic success, graduate on time, and prepare for rewarding careers.

CUNY EDGE offers academic advising, career development, and student success programming that empower scholars to stay focused on their educational goals while building pathways to future employment. The program's vision is a world where all people have access to the educational opportunities and support they need to realize academic success, a sustainable career, and a brighter future.

At Kingsborough, CUNY EDGE proudly recognizes its “**CUNY EDGE STARRS**”—students who exemplify dedication, resilience, and academic excellence. These scholars maintain strong GPAs, actively participate in program activities, and demonstrate that perseverance and hard work truly pay off.



### MARIYA IVANITSKAYA

Mariya Ivanitskaya has achieved an extraordinary series of accomplishments this academic year. She was selected as a **2025 Women's Forum Scholar**, recognizing her leadership, academic achievement, and commitment to her educational goals. In April, she was awarded a **Dean's List Scholarship**, followed in May by the prestigious **Sparkle Scholarship** from the Nursing Department, for which she was the sole recipient. Most recently, Mariya was awarded the **Doris Buffett Independence Grant**, an honor that supports students who demonstrate exceptional promise and determination in overcoming challenges.

Beyond her impressive list of awards, Mariya maintains a **4.0 GPA** while pursuing her nursing studies and raising her **three-year-old child as a single parent**. Her success is a testament to her resilience, hard work, and unwavering commitment to building a brighter future for herself and her family.

Mariya's journey reflects the spirit of Kingsborough Community College and the mission of CUNY EDGE: empowering students to overcome obstacles, achieve academic excellence, and realize their full potential. We congratulate Mariya on her outstanding achievements and look forward to all she will accomplish in the years ahead.

“Every award represents not only academic success, but also the perseverance, sacrifice, and determination required to balance school, parenting, and personal growth. Mariya's story is an inspiration to our entire community.”

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# MARINA KRAVTSOVA

Marina Kravtsova exemplifies determination, resilience, and academic excellence. A first-generation college student from a Russian-Georgian immigrant family, Marina is graduating this semester from Kingsborough Community College's Nursing program with an impressive 3.593 GPA.

Balancing the rigorous demands of nursing school while raising her two-year-old daughter, Marina has demonstrated extraordinary perseverance and dedication throughout her academic journey. As a student parent, she successfully navigated the challenges of coursework, clinical training, and family responsibilities while maintaining a strong academic record and commitment to her goals.

Throughout her nursing education, Marina completed clinical rotations at **Kings County Hospital, South Brooklyn Health, and Maimonides Medical Center**, gaining valuable hands-on experience caring for diverse patient populations. These experiences strengthened her clinical skills and reinforced her passion for providing compassionate, patient-centered care.

This fall, Marina will continue her educational journey at the **CUNY School of Professional Studies**, where she will pursue her bachelor's degree in Nursing. Her transfer marks an exciting next step toward achieving her professional aspirations and expanding her impact within the healthcare field.

Through the support of the CUNY EDGE program and her own unwavering determination, Marina has transformed challenges into opportunities and created a path of success for herself and her family. Her story is an inspiring example of what can be accomplished through hard work, resilience, and a commitment to lifelong learning.

***Congratulations, Marina, on your graduation and acceptance to the CUNY School of Professional Studies. The Kingsborough community is proud of your accomplishments and looks forward to all you will achieve in the future.***



Through the accomplishments of students like Mariya and Marina, CUNY EDGE continues to demonstrate the impact of supportive programs that empower students to thrive academically and professionally. Their success reflects the spirit of perseverance, community, and excellence that defines Kingsborough.

For more information about CUNY EDGE, visit:  
<https://www.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/student-success-initiatives/cuny-edge/>

You may also contact:  
Brandy Barber  
CUNY EDGE Project Director  
Building T4, Room 218  
Email: [Brandy.Barber@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Brandy.Barber@kbcc.cuny.edu)



## DO YOU RECEIVE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND LOOKING FOR EXTRA SUPPORT?

Connect with **CUNY EDGE at T4-216**

CUNY EDGE helps students receiving public assistance achieve academic success, graduate on time, and prepare for employment. The program offers personalized academic and career advisement, and access to internship and job resources. Eligible students may also receive tuition assistance and virtual tutoring to support their academic goals.

# IMMIGRANT SUPPORT CENTER

## Immigration Update: Recent USCIS Policy Changes and TPS Extension for Lebanon

*The immigration landscape continues to evolve, and we encourage members of the Kingsborough community to stay informed and seek qualified legal guidance when questions arise.*

### USCIS ISSUES NEW GUIDANCE ON ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS APPLICATIONS

On May 22, 2026, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced a significant policy shift regarding Adjustment of Status (AOS), the process that allows certain individuals already in the United States to apply for lawful permanent residency (a Green Card) without leaving the country.

Under the new guidance, USCIS states that Adjustment of Status should be granted only in "extraordinary circumstances" and emphasizes that consular processing abroad is generally the preferred pathway for obtaining an immigrant visa. Applicants may now face increased scrutiny and may be required to demonstrate compelling reasons why they should be permitted to complete the process from within the United States.

Individuals with pending or future immigration applications should consult with a qualified immigration attorney to understand how this policy may affect their specific circumstances.

### TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS) EXTENDED FOR LEBANON

In a separate development, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has automatically extended Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Lebanon for an additional six months. Eligible Lebanese nationals currently benefiting from TPS may continue to live and work in the United States through November 27, 2026, provided they continue to meet eligibility requirements. Employment authorization documents associated with TPS Lebanon have also been automatically extended.

*Disclaimer: This article is intended for informational purposes only and should not be considered legal advice. Immigration laws and policies can change quickly, and individual circumstances vary.*

### NEED SUPPORT?

Kingsborough Community College remains committed to supporting our immigrant, undocumented, refugee, and mixed-status students. Through the Resources for Immigrant Success in Education (R.I.S.E.) Initiative, students can connect with campus resources, referrals, and immigration-related support services.

Students seeking immigration legal assistance may also be eligible for free consultations through the New Americans Center (NAC), which provides immigration legal services on campus.

### CAMPUS LIASON NETWORK

The Immigrant & Undocumented Student Success Center works closely with a **Campus Liaison Network**, a group of dedicated campus partners committed to supporting immigrant and undocumented students across Kingsborough. These liaisons help connect students to critical services, provide guidance, and ensure students can easily access academic, financial, wellness, and career resources across campus. The network strengthens collaboration and helps create a more supportive and responsive environment for students.

#### Liaisons include:

- Gavin Ireland - Director of International Student Affairs [Gavin.Ireland@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Gavin.Ireland@kbcc.cuny.edu)
- Helen-Margaret Nasser – Director, Student Union and Intercultural Center [Helen.Nasser@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Helen.Nasser@kbcc.cuny.edu)
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# BEYOND THE CLASSROOM


Exploring student clubs, leadership, and campus involvement.

## Reflections from the Environment and Sustainability Club


The **Environment and Sustainability Club** is a student-led community dedicated to building a greener, more sustainable Kingsborough. Through projects like the **EcoShoppe**, campus clean-ups, native plant initiatives, and environmental education, we turn awareness into action.

Here, the members share their experiences, inspiration, and hopes for the future.




 By centering our efforts on a smaller scale, we can implement change through projects that promote sustainable practices, support the biodiversity of our coastal ecosystem and have a direct and observable effect on our campus.

**SOPHIA TURCHIN**  
*Founder & President, Spring 2026*

 We want to inspire the KCC community to bring sustainability into their daily lives.


**CARLYNE ENID TORRES**  
*Future President, Fall 2026*




 The Eco-Shoppe project really was an eye-opener to the impact this club was able to produce in a short amount of time.

**STEPHANY NARVAEZ**  
*Club Member*




 In a world where it seems so many are actively causing damage to our Earth, it's both empowering and inspiring to have the opportunity to do something to prevent it.

**HELEN TURCHIN**  
*Treasurer, Spring 2026*  
*Future Vice President, Fall 2026*

 I hope to bring forth environmental awareness and represent the club in a relatable and professional image!

**AYMEN KASSIM**  
*Club Member*

 Joining the Environment and Sustainability Club gave me the opportunity to contribute to meaningful causes while connecting with others who share similar values.

**TIA YOUNGE**  
*Club Member*



For more information about the Environment and Sustainability Club, you can reach out to **Midori Yamamura** (club advisor) at [Midori.Yamamura@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Midori.Yamamura@kbcc.cuny.edu)

# MAKING WAVES IN ATHLETICS

#LetsGoWave



## 2026 Kingsborough Athletics Award Banquet Recap

Kingsborough Community College proudly celebrated the achievements of our student-athletes at the annual **WAVE Awards**, an event dedicated to recognizing excellence in athletics, academics, leadership, and sportsmanship.

The ceremony honored the hard work, resilience, and commitment demonstrated by our student-athletes throughout the year, both on the field and in the classroom.

Family, friends, coaches, faculty, & staff gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the **Wave Athletics community** and to recognize those who exemplify the values of teamwork, perseverance, and dedication.

**Congratulations to all of our award recipients and student-athletes for an outstanding year representing Kingsborough with pride and excellence!**

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**FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR:  
MARIANA RICHARDS  
(WOMEN'S BASKETBALL, TRACK & FIELD)**



Richards put together a historic dual-sport season for Kingsborough. This winter, she anchored the Lady Wave basketball team to CUNY and Region XV Championship appearances while averaging over 10 rebounds per game. She then transitioned to the track for her first collegiate season, sweeping the NJCAA DIII National Championships with gold medals in both the 100m and 200m finals, and earning Northeast Region Women's Track Athlete of the Year honors.

**ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT AWARD:  
ALVARO MARGADES**



Working in the Admissions Department, Margades has been an invaluable asset to the program, always willing to go above and beyond to help guide incoming student-athletes through the enrollment and admission process.

**MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR:  
MARVENS JN BAPTISTE  
(MEN'S SOCCER, MEN'S VOLLEYBALL)**



Baptiste put together a phenomenal dual-sport season, guiding two separate Wave teams to deep postseason runs. On the soccer pitch, he started nine matches, racking up 15 points (6 goals, 3 assists) to lead Kingsborough to its first CUNY Championship since 2009 and a Region XV semifinal appearance. On the volleyball court, he earned CUNY Rookie of the Year honors, racking up 122 kills and 144 digs to lead the Wave to the CUNY Championship game and a Region XV semifinal berth.

**ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT AWARD:  
CARL HINSON**



Hinson takes immense pride in keeping the athletic facilities in pristine condition, doing a fantastic job ensuring everything is perfectly prepared and ready for Wave teams on game days.

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**MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHOLAR ATHLETE & WAVE AWARD: JAYDEN ENNON-MARTIN**



In his debut season, Ennon-Martin started 20 games and proved to be a versatile weapon, averaging 12.5 points and dishing out a team-high 79 assists. He proved to be just as exceptional in the classroom as he was on the court, taking home both the Wave Award and Scholar Athlete honors.

**COACH OF THE YEAR & PATTY AMEDURE AWARD: DEVORN CHARLES**



A former All-Region soccer standout and assistant coach for the Wave, Charles has spent the last four years helping the program as head coach. This past season, his leadership guided Kingsborough to its first CUNY Championship since 2009 alongside a deep Region XV playoff run.

**CATHY DACHTERA AWARD & WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WAVE AWARD: MARIANA RICHARDS**



Presented in honor of commitment, dedication, and leadership within the Kingsborough Athletic Department. This marks Richards' second and third awards of the night, further highlighting her outstanding impact across the program.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL MVP: JUSTIN JAMES**



A second-year co-captain, James led the Wave to the CUNY Championship game and earned selections to both the CUNY All-Conference team and the Region XV All-Region Second Team, finishing the season with 157 kills, 126 digs, and 176 total points.

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**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
NANCY PIERRE**



In her second year with the team, Pierre put together a standout campaign by excelling both on the court and in the classroom.

**WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD MVP & SCHOLAR ATHLETE: MARIANA RICHARDS**



Richards adds two more major honors to her spectacular night, securing both the MVP and Scholar Athlete awards. In a brilliant debut season, she solidified herself as the fastest woman in NJCAA Division III track and field, capturing national titles in both the 100m (12.89) and 200m (26.12) while earning Northeast Region Women's Track Athlete of the Year honors. Her relentless work ethic in the classroom and on the track brings her total to five awards so far on the night.

**GUEST SPEAKER & LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: BOBBY PERTSAS**



Serving as the evening's distinguished guest speaker, Pertsas was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award, celebrating an enduring legacy and monumental contributions to the athletic program. A true cornerstone of Kingsborough's history, Pertsas has impacted the Wave from every possible angle. First starring as a player, returning to pass on his knowledge as an assistant coach, & successfully leading programs from the helm as both the head baseball coach & head basketball coach. His legendary impact on New York City sports continues to grow. He has served as the PSAL Baseball Commissioner for 25 monumental years and is a member of the New York State Baseball Hall of Fame, cementing his place alongside the absolute icons of the sport.

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**CHEERLEADING WAVE AWARD:  
ABEL MULUGETA**



In his second year with the program, Mulugeta stepped up as a team leader both on the mat and behind the scenes, helping manage the squad's social media accounts throughout the season.

**MEN'S SOCCER MVP:  
KLESTI MURATAJ**



Murataj put together a historic season, leading the Wave to their first CUNY Championship victory since 2009 and a run to the Region XV semifinals. A dominant offensive force, he racked up 11 goals, 7 assists, and 29 total points on the year, including a clutch goal in the regional semifinal match. For his incredible performance on the pitch, he was named the CUNY Player of the Year, selected to the CUNY All-Conference Team, and earned Region XV All-Region First Team honors.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL MVP:  
ANEIYAH ALEXANDER**



In an incredible debut season, Alexander dominated the paint for the Wave, leading the entire conference with a stellar 56.2% field goal percentage while averaging 13.5 points and 8.7 rebounds per game. Her dominant play earned her Third Team All-American, Region XV All-Region First Team, and CUNY All-Conference honors as she anchored the defense with 53 blocks and led the Lady Wave to both the CUNY and Region XV Final appearances.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL WAVE AWARD:  
NOAH YAFIE**



In his second season, Yafie was tasked with converting into a setter and excelled in his new role, racking up 266 assists and 28 service aces to help lead the Wave through their postseason runs.

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**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
NATHAN PIERRE**



In his first year with the program, Pierre set a high standard for the team by demonstrating outstanding dedication and excellence in the classroom.

**ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT AWARD:  
ANGEL GUDIEL LOPEZ**



Angel has completely revamped and revitalized the social media programs at Kingsborough, taking the department's online presence from an afterthought to a premier tool utilized for the active recruitment of elite student-athletes. His distinct vision and creative expertise have led to a massive overhaul of all athletic social media platforms, setting a professional standard for the program's digital brand.

**FEMALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
KIANNY ARISTY**



Aristy takes home Female Scholar Athlete of the Year honors, boasting a stellar 3.4 GPA to lead all women across Kingsborough athletics. Always an energetic force on the court, she backed up her classroom excellence with a strong freshman season, averaging 9.8 points and 3.9 steals per game.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL MVP:  
JESUS RODRIGUEZ**



In his first year with the program, Rodriguez made an immediate impact leading the Wave offense, starting 13 games and averaging a team-high 14.5 points alongside 4.4 rebounds per contest.

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**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
KIANNY ARISTY**



A constant spark plug for the program, Aristy brought her signature ball of energy off and on the court, translating that same passion and work ethic directly into the classroom.

**MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY MVP:  
SUHAIB AHMAD**



Ahmad took home MVP honors following a season defined by consistent grit and a relentless, lead-by-example work ethic on the course.

**FEMALE WAVE AWARD:  
MARIANA RICHARDS**



Mariana Richards is the absolute embodiment of the Kingsborough athletics department. A fierce competitor who brings a contagious energy to everything she does, she is known for always having a smile on her face while serving as a natural leader and a proven winner. This massive honor caps an unbelievable night for Richards, setting a brand-new department record with a final total of 6 awards.

**MALE SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
NATHAN PIERRE**



Pierre captures the Male Scholar Athlete of the Year distinction, leading all Kingsborough student-athletes with an exceptional 3.7 GPA. In his first year with the volleyball program, Pierre showed steady improvement on the court, serving as a key piece in a successful season for the Wave that included a thrilling Region XV playoff victory.

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## WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY SCHOLAR ATHLETE: NATALIE BURCH



Burch earned the Scholar Athlete distinction through pure hustle, perfectly balancing the grueling demands of running with a serious commitment to her classes.

## MEN'S SOCCER WAVE AWARD: OMARIO WALTERS



Walters proved to be a critical centerpiece for the CUNY Championship squad, stepping up biggest when the lights were brightest. He delivered clutch postseason performances, scoring a pivotal goal in the CUNY final and opening up the scoring with a crucial road goal against Westchester in the Region XV quarterfinal match. Finishing the year with 8 goals, 7 assists, and 23 total points, Walters earned well-deserved selections to both the CUNY All-Conference Team and the Region XV All-Region Second Team.

## MALE WAVE AWARD: DENIS CHARLES



A co-captain of the Men's Volleyball team, Charles returned for his second season with the program following a year away last year and stepped right back in like he never missed a beat. He is a deeply charismatic individual who remains exactly the same player, student, and person every single day. Bringing an infectious hardworking energy to the department.

## MEN'S SOCCER WAVE AWARD: HAZIM HAKIM



Serving as the anchor at the right back position, Hakim was the steady presence the Wave counted on all season, always remaining calm and composed under pressure. He started 12 games on the backline while still making a major impact on the attack, contributing 5 goals and 4 assists. His lockdown defense and reliable leadership earned him a well-deserved spot on the CUNY All-Conference Team.

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**25-YEARS OF SERVICE:  
 MAX DUBOV**



Dubov’s incredible impact spans over a quarter of a century. Long before guiding the program from the sidelines, he dominated the court as a player, cementing his legacy as a two-time All-American for the Wave. Transitioning seamlessly into leadership, he has served as both a long-time Assistant Coach and Head Tennis Coach, dedicating a combined 25 years of exceptional service, leadership, and excellence to KCC tennis.

**100<sup>TH</sup> CAREER WIN:  
 DR. LAMBERT SHELL**



On November 13, 2025, Kingsborough Wave Men’s Basketball Head Coach Dr. Lambert Shell cemented his place in Kingsborough history by capturing his landmark 100th career victory. The milestone came in spectacular fashion as the Wave put on a dominant performance at home, defeating Bronx Community College 99-81 to secure the historic win for their veteran leader.

**WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL MVP:  
 SOLANDRA ARIZAGA**

**WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL WAVE AWARD:  
 NIKKI MORTELLARO**

**WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY MVP:  
 GENNY DAMOUR**

**MEN’S TRACK & FIELD MVP:  
 MYLES MILLER-CHARLES**

**MEN’S SOCCER SCHOLAR ATHLETE:  
 DAMARIO GABRIEL**

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# COMMUNITY COMPASS

*“Helping you navigate community standards with clarity and care.”*

At **Kingsborough Community College**, we are committed to fostering a campus environment that is safe, respectful, inclusive, and conducive to learning. As members of the KCC community, students share a responsibility to uphold standards of conduct that protect the rights, dignity, and well-being of others.

One of the foundational frameworks that guides behavior on campus is the **Henderson Rules to Maintain Public Order**, which outline expectations related to safety, respect, free expression, and the proper use of college facilities and resources.

These rules help ensure that our campus remains a place where academic freedom, intellectual inquiry, and community engagement can flourish.

We encourage all students to familiarize themselves with the Henderson Rules and the role they play in maintaining a positive educational environment for everyone.

Questions about the Henderson Rules, student conduct, student rights and responsibilities, or campus policies may be directed to the **Office of Community Standards & Student Engagement** at [studentconduct@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:studentconduct@kbcc.cuny.edu).

Our team is available to help students navigate community expectations, understand the student conduct process, and connect with resources that support student success.



## HENDERSON RULES TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC ORDER

*The tradition of the university as a sanctuary of academic freedom and center of informed discussion is an honored one, to be guarded vigilantly. The basic significance of that sanctuary lies in the protection of intellectual freedoms; the rights of professors to teach, of scholars to engage in the advancement of knowledge, of students to learn and to express their views, free from external pressures or interference. These freedoms can flourish only in an atmosphere of mutual respect, civility and trust among teachers and students, only when members of the College community are willing to accept self-restraint and reciprocity as the condition upon which they share in its intellectual autonomy.*

*Academic freedom and the sanctuary of the university campus extend to all who share these aims and responsibilities. They cannot be invoked by those who would subordinate intellectual freedom to political ends, or who violate the norms of conduct established to protect that freedom. Against such offenders Kingsborough Community College has the right, and indeed the obligation, to defend itself. We accordingly announce the following rules and regulations to be in effect on Kingsborough's campus which are to be administered in accordance with the requirements of due process as provided in the bylaws of The City University of New York.*

**With respect to enforcement of these rules and regulations we note that the bylaws of the CUNY Board provide that the President, with respect to his or her educational unit shall:**

1. Have the affirmative responsibility of conserving and enhancing the educational standards of the college and schools under his or her jurisdiction;
2. Be the advisor and executive agent to the board and of his or her respective College Committee and as such shall have the immediate supervision with full discretionary power in carrying into effect the bylaws, resolutions and policies of the board, the lawful resolutions of any of its committees and the policies, programs and lawful resolutions of the several faculties;

3. Exercise general superintendence over the concerns, officers, employees, and students of his or her educational unit.

Kingsborough Community College functions under The City University of New York system and follows the Henderson Rules to Maintain Public Order. The Board of Trustees, in compliance with Chapter 191 of the Laws of 1969 (Henderson Act) adopts the following rules and regulations for the maintenance of public order on college campuses and other college property used for educational purposes:

1. A member of the academic community shall not intentionally obstruct and/or forcibly prevent others from the exercise of their rights. Nor shall he interfere with the institution's educational processes or facilities, or the rights of those who wish to avail themselves of any of the institution's instructional, personal, administrative, recreational, and community services.
2. Individuals are liable for failure to comply with lawful directions issued by representatives of the University/College when they are acting in their official capacities. Members of the academic community are required to show their identification cards when requested to do so by an official of the college.



## HENDERSON RULES TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC ORDER

3. Unauthorized occupancy of University/College facilities or blocking access to or from such areas is prohibited. Permission from appropriate college authorities must be obtained for removal, relocation, and use of University/College equipment and/or supplies.
4. Theft from, or damage to University/College premises or property, or theft of or damage to property of any person on University/College premises is prohibited.
5. Each member of the academic community or an invited guest has the right to advocate his position without having to fear abuse, physical, verbal, or otherwise, from others supporting conflicting points of view. Members of the academic community and other persons on the college grounds shall not use language or take actions reasonably likely to provoke or encourage physical violence by demonstrators, those demonstrated against, or spectators.
6. Action may be taken against any and all persons who have no legitimate reason for their presence on any campus within the University/College, or whose presence on any such campus obstructs and/or forcibly prevents others from the exercise of the rights or interferes with the institution's educational processes or facilities, or the rights of those who wish to avail themselves of any of the institution's instructional, personal, administrative, recreational, and community services.
7. Disorderly or indecent conduct on University/College-owned or controlled property is prohibited.

8. No individual shall have in his possession a rifle, shotgun, or firearm or knowingly have in his possession any other dangerous instruments or material that can be used to inflict bodily harm on an individual or damage upon a building or the grounds of the University/College without the written authorization of such educational institution. Nor shall any individual have in his possession any other instrument or material which can be used and is intended to inflict bodily harm on any individual or damage upon a building or the grounds of the University/College.
9. Any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization is prohibited.
10. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of illegal drugs or other controlled substances by University students or employees on University/College premises, or as part of any University/College activities is prohibited. Employees of the University must also notify the College Personnel Director of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
11. The unlawful possession, use, or distribution of alcohol by students or employees on University/college premises or as part of any University/college activities is prohibited.

*Kingsborough Community College students are required to abide by all federal, state and city laws. Other conduct not addressed in the Henderson Rules to Maintain Public Order may still be deemed unacceptable and may be addressed by Kingsborough Community College and the Office of Community Standards & Student Engagement.*

# CALM WATERS: WELLNESS CORNER

## Stress - Your Hidden Resource

*Fearful for your next exam? Homework piling up?  
Feeling your palms sweat and your mouth get dry?  
You're stressed! But that's okay.*

Stress is just another emotion, and emotions are there for a reason. Imagine a bear is chasing you. Your body shuts down everything it doesn't need and your only focus is running away. Stress is a sign that your body is prepared to take on the task ahead!  
*How do you use this resource though?*

### STOP WHERE YOU ARE

It's hard to utilize stress if you are too stressed out. Odd concept right? Recognizing stress and acknowledging it's presence is the first step and soon it will be as easy as breathing. Literally! When you feel stress popping up, breath in for 4 seconds, hold for 4 seconds, and out for 6 seconds. This slows the release of adrenaline and allows your head to clear up just a bit more.

*(Bentley et al., 2023)*

### PSYCHOEDUCATION

Knowledge is power! And that's not just a fun proverb. By simply reading this newsletter and thinking about how stress is adaptive you are training your brain to think about stress differently. Next time you feel stress, a small part of your brain will remember this.

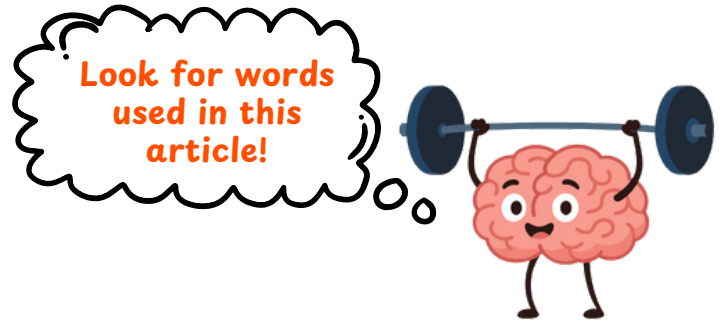
*(Crum et al., 2013)*

### REAPPRAISAL

This is the hard part, but you've got this. Before you sit down for a test or to do your homework I challenge you to think about things differently.

"This exam is a chance for me to show off what I studied!", said no one ever. But why not? It's true! Or by simply saying, "I'm stressed right now, but that means my vision is honed in and my brain is ready for the task at hand" you are lowering your amygdala activity (brain's fear center) and activating your prefrontal cortex (the locked in part of your brain).

*(Jamieson et al 2016)*



### LOOKING TO PRIORITIZE YOUR WELL-BEING OR LEARN HOW TO SELF-CARE?

Visit the **Wellness Center at A-108 (E&F)**

The Wellness Center promotes health and mental well-being through an integrated, holistic approach. Students can connect with campus and community resources, attend interactive workshops, and participate in campus-wide wellness events focused on topics like stress management, physical health, and self-care.

# HARBOR OF RESOURCES



## NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO? SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE

Visit the **Counseling Center at Room D-102**

The Counseling Center provides a safe and confidential space where students can receive emotional and psychological support. Free counseling services are available to help students navigate personal and academic challenges, build coping skills, and support their overall well-being.



## LOOKING FOR CAREER SUPPORT? EXPLORE YOUR CAREER PATH!

Visit the **Center for Career Development & Experiential Learning at Room C102**

The Center assists students with career counseling, connections to employment opportunities, and access to internship and service experiences that help build skills and prepare for future careers.



## NEED MEDICAL SUPPORT ON CAMPUS? LOOKING FOR HEALTH EDUCATION?

Visit the **Health Center at A-108**

The Health Center supports the physical well-being of the Kingsborough community by offering first aid, medical consultations, health referrals, and preventative health education. A Registered Nurse is available whenever classes are in session to assist with immediate concerns and health guidance.



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## GET INVOLVED ON CAMPUS, START A CLUB AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS!

Visit the **Office of Student Life at Room C-123**

Student Life connects students with co-curricular programs, campus events, and student-led organizations that enhance the overall college experience. Explore over 30 student clubs and organizations or develop leadership skills through the Student Government Association.



## NEED SUPPORT WITH FOOD & OTHER ESSENTIAL RESOURCES?

Visit the **Access Resource Center at Room E-115**

The Access Resource Center provides holistic support services that help students overcome life barriers and stay focused on their educational goals. Free services include benefits screening, food services, SNAP application assistance, legal consultations, financial consultations, and tax preparation support.



## LOOKING FOR A PROGRAM TO SUPPORT YOUR ACADEMIC SUCCESS?

Visit the **Trio Student Support Services at D-124**

TRIO Student Support Services helps students stay on track to graduate and plan for life after college. The program supports students by providing academic guidance, career exploration, and connections to campus resources.



## LOOKING FOR A SPACE TO CONNECT, LEAD AND BELONG?

Visit the **Student Union & Intercultural Center**

The Student Union and Intercultural Center provides a safe, inclusive, and welcoming space where students can build community and strengthen their sense of belonging at Kingsborough.

### SPRING 2026 FOOD SERVICE SCHEDULE

|     | GRAB AND GO<br>(Room E-115) | FOOD VOUCHERS<br>(Room E-116) | FOOD PANTRY<br>(Room T4-157) |
|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| MON | 11am - 12pm<br>3pm - 5pm    | 9am - 11am                    | 1pm - 4pm                    |
| TUE | 11am - 12pm<br>2pm - 4pm    | 9am - 11am                    | 1pm - 4pm                    |
| WED | 11am - 12pm<br>3pm - 5pm    | 2pm - 4pm                     | 1pm - 4pm                    |
| THU | 11am - 12pm<br>2pm - 4pm    | 2pm - 4pm                     | 1pm - 4pm                    |
| FRI | 11am - 12pm<br>1pm - 2pm    | NO VOUCHERS                   | 10am - 2pm                   |

*\*Service can change due to events / meetings and class schedules. Food service may be adjusted based on inventory*

# HARBOR OF RESOURCES



## FIND SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY FOR WOMEN ON CAMPUS.

Visit the **Women's Center at M-382**

The Women's Center provides a welcoming and supportive space dedicated to empowering women at Kingsborough. The Center focuses on supporting women's mental, emotional, and physical well-being. The space also includes a dedicated lactation room for breastfeeding mothers.



## LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY AND SUPPORT FOR MEN ON CAMPUS?

Visit the **Men's Resource Center at U-218**

The Men's Resource Center supports self-identified men of color by providing academic support, mentorship, and opportunities to build community at Kingsborough through peer mentoring, supplemental academic support, networking opportunities, and men's support groups.



## EXPERIENCING DISCRIMINATION, BIAS, OR HARASSMENT?

Visit the **Office of Equal Opportunity & Diversity Management (Title IX) at V-231**

The Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity Management (OEO) is committed to fostering a safe, inclusive, and respectful campus environment for all students, employees, and visitors. The office ensures equal opportunity across the college and supports a culture where everyone can learn, work, and thrive.

If you have experienced or witnessed discrimination, bias, sexual misconduct, or retaliation, the OEO team is here to support you. Students and staff can receive guidance, report concerns, and access resources to help navigate next steps.

For more information or to report an incident, call **718-368-6896**, email [ASKOEO@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:ASKOEO@kbcc.cuny.edu) or [Title\\_IX\\_inquiries@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Title_IX_inquiries@kbcc.cuny.edu)

Reports can also be submitted through CUNY's online reporting portal: [visit.cuny\\_guardianconduct.com/incident-reporting](http://visit.cuny_guardianconduct.com/incident-reporting).



## NEED CHILDCARE SUPPORT WHILE YOU ATTEND CLASSES?

Visit the **Child Development Center at V-105**

The Child Development Center provides childcare and early education for children of KCC students ages 2–5. The Center offers a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment where children can learn and grow while their parents attend classes. The Center also supports student-parents through workshops and resources focused on parenting, child development, and family success.



## NEED ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS OR ACCESSIBILITY SUPPORT?

Visit the **Access-Ability Services at D-205**

Access-Ability Services (AAS) supports students by providing resources and accommodations that promote equal access to learning. Services include determining eligibility and arranging academic accommodations, academic advisement, priority registration, and access to assistive technology.



## ARE YOU A VETERAN OR MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENT?

Visit the **Military & Veteran Affairs at C-106**

The Military and Veteran Affairs Office (MAVA) serves the needs of prospective and enrolled active military personnel, Veterans, their dependents and survivors. MAVA aides in application and certification for students who are eligible to receive education benefits under various Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) programs. In this role, the MAVA team facilitates smooth transition and reintegration into the college community. We provide supplemental recruitment and retention efforts, various counseling and one-on-one advisement services, priority registration, in-state tuition, academic program information, and certify eligible students to receive DVA education benefits while maintaining productive relations with the Veterans Administration and other agencies serving Veterans.



## INTERESTED IN COMPETING OR SUPPORTING KCC ATHLETICS

Visit **Athletics at G-110**

Kingsborough Athletics supports student-athletes in achieving both athletic and academic excellence. The department fosters teamwork, leadership, and competitive success while encouraging students to pursue championships and opportunities for athletic and academic scholarships at senior colleges.

KCC offers a wide range of teams, including Men's Soccer, Basketball, Tennis, Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, Baseball, and Volleyball; Women's Soccer, Basketball, Tennis, Cross Country, Indoor and Outdoor Track, and Volleyball; as well as Coed E-Sports and Cheerleading.

# HARBOR OF RESOURCES



## NEED SUPPORT AS AN IMMIGRANT? UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT?

Visit the **Immigrant & Undocumented Student Success Center at Room U228**

The Immigrant & Undocumented Student Success Center is a dedicated space supporting immigrant, undocumented, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), Temporary Protected Status (TPS), refugee students, and students in mixed-status families.



## DO YOU RECEIVE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND LOOKING FOR EXTRA SUPPORT?

Connect with **CUNY EDGE at T4-216**

CUNY EDGE helps students receiving public assistance achieve academic success, graduate on time, and prepare for employment. The program offers personalized academic and career advisement, and access to internship and job resources. Eligible students may also receive tuition assistance and virtual tutoring to support their academic goals.



## WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER?

Let your story make waves - be featured!

*We'd love to see what our KCC students are up to this summer.*

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for a chance to be spotlighted in our upcoming issue!

Show us where your summer takes you—we can't wait to celebrate your journey.



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