Digital Arts Student Exhibit
Now through Wednesday, December 16, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., in Bliss Hall [BL], Hall of Fame Art Gallery
Come see the amazing talent of our students and show them your support! Students in the Digital Arts program will display their work, including graphic arts, web design, animation, photography and digital music. Be sure to join them for an artists’ reception on Monday, December 14, 12 - 2 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

MetLife Financial Counseling
Wednesday, December 16, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., in South Hall [SH], Room 109
Your MetLife representative, Christopher J. Vargas, will be available on-site to discuss your employer-sponsored retirement savings plan. Learn how to enroll, find out about reducing your federal income tax, get your plan questions answered and receive a complimentary financial needs analysis. Contact Christopher at 631.851.5864 or cvargas@metlife.com.

Student Scholarships
For more information or to download the applications on these and other scholarships, please visit the BCC Scholarship website at: http://www.bcc.cuny.edu/scholarships/?page=Scholarship_of_the_Week
The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarships ($40,000/year) are awarded to the nation’s top two-year or community college students who have financial need. The Foundation’s mission is to help students of exceptional promise reach their full potential through education. The selection process for these awards is rigorous and highly competitive, with approximately 85 scholarships awarded each year out of hundreds of nominees. For more information and to apply, visit www.jkcf.org. The scholarship deadline is Tuesday, December 15, 2015.

The Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program (Up to $7,500) was created to alleviate a critical current and future shortage of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians and engineers. For more information and to apply, visit https://goldwater.scholarship.org/yybull.php. The scholarship deadline is Friday, January 29, 2016.

Peer Support | Career Development
Application Deadline is Monday, January 4, 2016
Do you have a passion for mental health, psychology, human services, social work and counseling? Would you like hands-on experience, with career-specific knowledge and tips? The Office of Personal Counseling is now selecting BCC students for a paid Peer Support and Career Development program. To be considered, you must have permission to work in the U.S., make a commitment for a minimum of two semesters, have a GPA of at least 2.5, write a statement of interest, present two references (one from a BCC faculty member) and be available for a personal interview. Priority will be given to applicants majoring in Psychology or Human Services. Training sessions will be held on Fridays during the spring semester, from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Bring your complete application packet to Loew Hall [LO], Room 430. For assistance with the process, call Amy Ojerholm at 718.289.5100, Ext. 3222 or Esther Levy at 718.289.3354.

Library Workshops
The Library Department is offering workshops that will enhance student success in research for classwork. OCD credit is available to all workshop attendees. This week’s workshop will be held in North Hall and Library [NL], Room 210.
Wednesday, December 16, 2 - 3 p.m.
Alternative Media Recommendations
Consider fun, educational alternative media sources (graphic novels, exhibits, etc.) as a way to make your learning pop!

Public History Gallery
Now through January 2016 in Colston Hall [CO], Between Rooms 306 and 307
The History Department is excited to announce the launch of its Public History gallery which opens with two exhibits “Cotton: A Global History” (Learn how this commodity facilitated the rise and fall of global empires) and “Gentrification: New York Stories” (From Harlem to Bushwick, the Lower East Side to the South Bronx, our neighborhoods are rapidly changing). The Public History gallery provides students with hands-on professional experience in researching, writing, editing and curating history exhibits. It connects classroom learning to professional skills outside of the classroom. Students “do” history as they practice the historian’s craft.
Free Shuttle Bus Service
Monday - Thursday, 5 to 11 p.m., Through Wednesday, December 23, 2015 (No Bus Service During Winter Break)

Free shuttle bus service will be available during finals week. The shuttle provides service to and from campus approximately every 20 minutes for all students carrying a validated BCC ID. Pick up location on campus is in front of Meister Hall (subject to change based on campus construction). Stops include University Avenue and Fordham Road and the IRT #4 subway stations at Burnside Avenue, 183rd Street and Fordham Road. For more information, please contact the Office of Student Life at 718.289.5193. Shuttle bus service is funded by student activity fees.

Third Annual Winter Conference, “Keeping the Promise”
Thursday, January 14, 2016

The Office of Academic Affairs invites you to BCC’s third annual Winter Conference. This year’s theme is “keeping the Promise” to our students to provide them access to higher education and to support them in meeting their education goals. Colleagues from all CUNY Community Colleges are invited to attend and submit proposals. This conference will provide an opportunity to collectively reflect on our mission as educational institutions and our individual roles as educators, program directors and staff. In light of the recently proposed “America’s College Promise Act of 2015”, which will offer tuition-free community college to responsible students, we will spearhead dialogues regarding issues facing the community colleges within CUNY, specifically by focusing on issues of student success and institutional capacity and service. The conference program will be based on six broad themes: Partnering Pedagogy with Programs – Best Practices that Deliver the Promise, Aligning Support and Services to Ensure Student Success, Transforming the Classroom Experience, Best Practices in Developmental Education, Preparing our Graduates for the 21st Century and Measuring Success – Using Data to Inform Improvement.
Visit http://bcc-cuny.digication.com/bccwpdc to keep a look out for news regarding keynote speakers, the developing conference program and the conference at-a-glance.

This Week@BCC

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015
1- Last Day of Classes
2- BCC Women and Men’s Basketball vs Queensborough CC
   6 - 10 p.m., Away Game @ Queensborough CC

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2015
1- Final Examinations - Day and Evening Classes
   Through 12/23/15
2- Vice Presidents/ Deans/Chairpersons Meeting
   10 a.m. - 12 p.m., LH PCR

MERRY CHRIST AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

HAPPY HANUKKAH!

HAPPY KWANZAA!

Quote of the Week

“Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting. It is happiness because we see joy in people. It is forgetting self and finding time for others. It is discarding the meaningless and stressing the true values.”
— Thomas S. Monson, Author and the Sixteenth and Current President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints