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ALUMNI CAREER PANEL

FALL 2013



On November 6, the Office of Career Development and the Office of Alumni Relations hosted the Fall 2013 Alumni Career Panel. Five panelists who represented diverse fields spoke to students about their respective career paths. The panelists were **Tania Jones-Michael, Social Worker at Woodhull Hospital, Mehmet Bagriyanik, Med/Surgical Program Management Officer (PMO) – Deputy Patient Care Center Director at James J. Peters VA Medical Center, Paul Evseroff, Director of Business Development at NBC Universal, Joan Paduano, Lecturer in the Tourism and Hospitality Department at KBCC, Joan Alagna, College Counselor.** At the conclusion of the Panel, students had an opportunity to network and obtain real-world feedback on their resumes from alumni. We would like to thank all the faculty and administrators who promoted this event to students and look forward to many more successful panels.

—Heidi Yu



Photo Credit: Joanne Meyers

The Real World of Work

Kingsborough Students tour ABC-TV



During the academic year, the Career Development Center arranges visits to various New York City companies. Students have the opportunity to meet current employees, tour facilities, and familiarize themselves with professional environments.

This semester, the Career Development Center arranged a State of New York Court Tour, Barclays Center and a visit to ABC-TV.

In November 2013, Kingsborough students and career counselors met with Ms. Saundra Thomas, Vice President of Community Affairs, who provided an informative tour of WABC-TV in Manhattan. On the tour, students had an opportunity to meet diverse staff and see various aspects of the television station, including a chance to sit in on a segment of a live broadcast of "Eyewitness News." Students prepared great thoughtful questions. Ms. Thomas and other staff provided encouraging and insightful answers and words of advice. Through the sights and the people they met, students learned much and gained a clearer understanding into the field of broadcasting. Please visit C-102 to learn about upcoming visits!



WABC's Ms. Thomas providing advice to students

The Real World of Work

Kingsborough Students tour Barclays Center



On December 6, 2013, Kingsborough Community College students participated in a Real World Visit to the Barclays Center. Mr. Terence Kelly, Community Affairs Manager, led students on a tour of the Barclays Center facilities that included the arena, concessions area, VIP suites, and practice court. Students gained insightful information about how the Barclays Center is run and its relationship with its surrounding community. In addition, Mr. Kelly and another staff person provided helpful information regarding their own career paths that led them to work at the Center.

Please visit C-102 to learn about Real World upcoming visits!



Students learning about the Barclays Center arena

SERVICE LEARNING

Service learning was able to place approximately 150 students in our community to connect concepts from their courses in real life situations, serving the community for approximately 2900 hours. Our students and faculty come from a number of different disciplines, this semester including Student Development, Career and Life Planning, Sociology and English with a concentration in Gender Studies, Early Childhood Education, Educational Studies, Behavioral Sciences, Mental Health and Domestic Violence, Graphic Design and Art and Media and Production. We have also had two clubs participate in co-curricular service learning using their mission as a bridge to the community: Project ACE (faculty lead, Dr. Charles Guigno) and The Men's Resource Center (faculty lead, Michael Rodriguez).



During each semester we offer Meaningful Service Opportunities, which allow students who would like to serve our community to use their interests and issues from the community to help and reflect with their service learning team. This semester we participated in two opportunities. Healthy Living allowed our students to work creatively to develop interactive workshops for the elderly at Catholic Charities, a new community partner. We also participated in JA for a Day, giving our students a chance to work with a non-profit organization and teach fourth graders about entrepreneurship. Please continue to look out for these projects, as we will offer them every semester.

—Mandy Fraley

SERVICE LEARNING

THANKS FROM JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

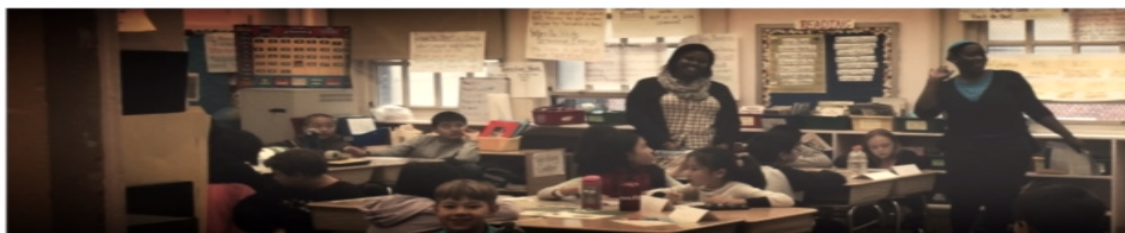
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Please thank all of your students for sharing their time, kindness, and inspiration with the PS 206 students. We sincerely appreciate and admire their commitment to serving as wonderful role models to the younger students. And a special thanks to Rashidi Ashmen, Elizabeth Guida, and Ala Mohammad for being “JA heroes” and teaching solo – I know it’s not easy to do, but they went above and beyond to make sure all the students had a wonderful day, and we applaud them!

~Diana Lee, JANY Representative

Kingsborough’s service- learning program would like to thank Diana Lee and JANY for their support, dedication and commitment to our students, our community and their training and preparation. We would also like to thank Doug York and Michael Courtien and everyone else at National Grid that takes the time to support our students, provide lunch and help coordinate the day for all of us to teach. We would also like to thank all of our community partners for truly being co-educators.

—Mandy Fraley



1ST DEAN'S ANNUAL RECEPTION FOR VETERANS & ACTIVE PERSONNEL



Kingsborough's First Annual Dean's Reception for Veterans and Active Personnel November 18, 2013

We would like to thank Dean Cohen and the KBCC Staff for celebrating veterans and active personnel in the First Annual Dean's Reception. We look forward to seeing continued developments in serving our veteran, active personnel and dependent students.

National Society of Leadership and Success at Kingsborough



Congratulations to Rafael Yau, Vice President of the Executive Board

We would like to formally congratulate one of our National Society of Leadership and Success members. Rafael Yau is actively pursuing his passion for cooking and entered into a competition with the Salon of Culinary Art, organized by the Société Culinaire Philanthropique. This competition is presented each year in November, during the International Hotel/Motel & Restaurant Show at the Jacob Javits Convention Center in New York. Rafael entered the vegetable carving competition and successfully carved a Thai Temple out of Taro Root. He was awarded first place and received a gold medal.

Rafael is not only an inducted NSLS member, he also received the National Engaged Leader Award and is currently serving as the Vice President of the Executive Board. Rafael is majoring in Culinary Arts, and is highly involved in the Kingsborough Community. Rafael is the President of the Food Club, Vice President of the Finance Club, in addition to serving as a member of Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Club and Student World Assembly.

Congratulations Rafael!
— Alexandra McDonald

To learn more about the National Society for Leadership & Success, visit the following:

Member benefits:

[www.societyleadership.org/
memberinfo/benefits.php](http://www.societyleadership.org/memberinfo/benefits.php)

Pre-Induction benefits:

[www.societyleadership.org/
memberinfo/benefits.php](http://www.societyleadership.org/memberinfo/benefits.php)

Rafael Yau placed 1st in the vegetable carving competition—Société Culinaire Philanthropique



INTERNSHIP PANEL

FALL 2013

We would like to thank the students that attended our first bi-annual Internship Panel on October 22, 2013. We had six panelists participate in the event and over 30 students attend. Panelists took time to share their experiences with fellow students regarding the process of obtaining an internship, overall internship experience and what they learned throughout their individual programs. Students were given the opportunity to ask panelists questions and advice on the most effective ways to pursue, obtain, and maintain an internship. —Kali Rowe and Heidi Yu

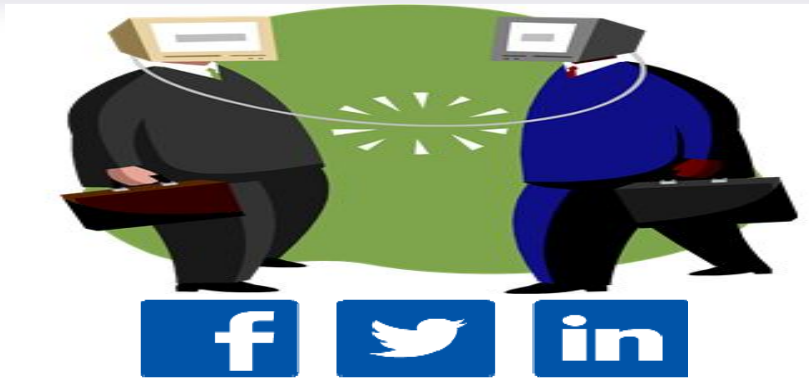
Panelists:

- Whitney Grootfaam | Intern at Baybee Lounge and Reading Partners
- Boaz Anicet | Intern at Surprise (A Start-up Gaming Company)
- Brian Suckie | CUNY Service Corps Member and NYNY Fellow
- Karim Farnum | Intern at Montefiore Medical Center
- Asaloy Ikromova | NYNY Fellow
- Jason Jeter | Intern at FOX



Internship panelists

How to Get Going with Social Media



There's little doubt about the growing impact of social media and its use in recruiting and career searching. Navigating social media as a job seeker can be tricky so here are some suggestions for how to go forward with creating and maintaining your professional presence.

Go Private: Have two accounts, one public and professional and one private and personal. Set and maintain your privacy settings. If you don't want your employers and colleagues in your personal business, don't make it available to them.

Go Glam: All posted photos and videos should reflect your professionalism and pride in your appearance.

Go Viral: Create your own content and make your mark. You have much to offer and a unique perspective. Find the right social media platform, find your voice, and let your knowledge and talent take the world by storm.

Go Easy: Be active and engaged but not annoying. Avoid excessive posting, ALL CAPS AND EXCLAMATION POINTS!!!! (see what we did there?), and offensive material.

Go Steady: Stay on top of your accounts. Neglecting your accounts is like starting a conversation and walking away in the middle. If you have too many accounts to maintain, then you have too many accounts. Decide which accounts are important and make sure to check them at least once daily and always respond to messages.

Go Cutting-Edge: Follow mashable.com and other sites that help you keep up-to-date on the latest in social media and how to maximize the features of different platforms.

— Aziza Platt

New Workshop

Social Media Etiquette and Networking to Get and Keep a Job

This workshop highlights

- How some of the most popular social media sites can be used in professional life and
- Presents some tips on the do's and don'ts of using social media.

If you are interested in having one of our counselors visit your class and present this interesting workshop and any of the others we offer, contact Nympha Pierre at the following:

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Upcoming Events

Spring 2014

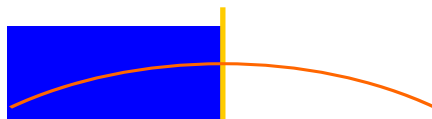
Mark your calendars!

Tuesday, April 1st (11am-2pm) - Spring Job & Internship Fair, Room U219/220



Wednesday, April 2nd (3pm-5pm) - Spring Evening Job Fair, Room U220

Friday, April 4th - CUNY Big Apple Job Fair, Jacob Javits Center



For more information on Spring Events, please stop by Room C-102.



Transfer Office

Individual and Group Sessions are available!

Sign up in C-102

Call 718.368.5115

Transfer In

- Offers info about KCC requirements and procedures
- Explains how courses taken at previous college will transfer to KCC
- Registers incoming transfer students

Transfer Out

- Offers info about CUNY, SUNY and private college
- Guides students through the transfer application process
- Provides information about transfer credits
- Provides transfer scholarship info





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