Important Message from President Peruggi about CUNYfirst

Dear Kingsborough Student:

This summer, Kingsborough Community College will launch a major project and its success will largely depend upon you. The project is called “CUNYfirst.” CUNYfirst is our university’s new suite of technology tools, which will replace many of our rapidly aging computer programs, including eSIMS – the system that you have used in the past to register for classes.

As with any major transition in technology, there will be bumps along the implementation road. For that, we ask your patience, cooperation, and understanding. For example, CUNYfirst will not actually go live for Kingsborough until mid- to late July. Consequently, although registration for the summer session will continue to take place using eSIMS, registration for our Fall 2012/Winter 2013 semester – using the new CUNYfirst system – will be both delayed and compressed.

So, what can you do as a Kingsborough student to help our college in this time of transition and to help yourself negotiate the new registration process?

- First and foremost, if you have not already signed on or are not regularly visiting your Kingsborough email, you will not be informed of changes that may occur on short notice. Go to www.kingsborough.edu/newemail to learn how to access your email account. (If you have any issues accessing your email account, please contact the KCC Student Helpdesk at helpdesk@students.kbcc.cuny.edu or call 718-368-6679, and then press 2.) You will be receiving updates and time-critical material exclusively through your Kingsborough student email system.

- Please keep all of your existing academic advisement appointments and a copy of your academic advisement plan. This is extremely important since there will be a significant gap of time between your advisement appointment and registration for the Fall 2012/Winter 2013 semester. We all forget at times, so it may be a good idea to write your courses down and keep them in a safe place for your reference.

- For all students, including those who will register without benefit of formal academic advisement, the registration process in CUNYfirst will have a much different look. But, if you’ve ever bought anything online and are familiar with the concept of putting items in a “shopping cart,” I’m sure you won’t have any problems.
The first step in your registration process will be for you to claim a CUNYfirst ID, which will replace your social security number for student identification purposes. You will need this CUNYfirst ID to access the CUNYfirst system to begin your registration. Since you will not be able to claim this account until the system is actually up and running, it is again imperative that you access your Kingsborough email regularly for details about when you can begin this task.

We are embarking on a new way of doing business at Kingsborough, and you are an important part of that change. I am confident that our combined efforts will make CUNYfirst a success.

Cordially,

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President