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| BMCC  Borough of Manhattan Community College | |
| ARE YOU A  STUDENT WHO…? | **PROGRAMS OVERVIEW** |
| * Can build a support team on a big bustling campus? * Is willing to follow through with extra steps (apps, info sessions, appointments) over the summer and in the fall to do it? * Can initiate relationships with supportive adults? | **Summer/Winter Immersion**   * Complete remedial requirements for FREE over the summer (and/or in January).     **CD/College Discovery –** *Check EOP guidelines for* *household income and academic eligibility*   * Dedicated counselors offer academic, financial, and personal support. * With any future 4-year college acceptance, guaranteed SEEK or EOP admission. * Special BMI programming for black and Latino male CD students.   **ASAP -** *See ASAP profile for academic and financial eligibility and program info*   * Amazing program with academic and financial support (for those not CD eligible).   **CUNY Start -** *See CUNY Start profile for program info*   * Intensive and effective college prep for students assigned to multiple remedials. * Advisors work with CD and ASAP to transition students into these programs.   **Academic Advising and Transfer Center**   * Each student not in a special program is assigned an academic advisor. * Advisors are incredibly dedicated, warm, and resourceful. Students MUST advocate for themselves, respond to emails, and initiate a relationship with their advisor.   **Freshman Learning Academies/FLA**   * Especially for first-time college freshmen (for a student’s first year only). * Take two classes (+ college success workshops) with the same cohort of 20-30 students. Fulfill core requirements: English OR upper level remedial reading/writing, AND social science (psychology, sociology, political science). Liberal arts majors only. * Choice of curricular theme: Creative Expression, World Cultures, U.S. Experience and Diversity, Individual & Society, Scientific World *(see brochure)* * Individualized advising, priority registration, and orientation to campus resources.   **CUNY Justice Academy**   * Work with advisor to fulfill requirements. Guaranteed acceptance to John Jay for a bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice, Forensic Science, or Forensic Financial Analysis.   **CUNY Teacher Academy**   * For students interested in teaching middle/high school math or science. * Separate app: GPA and Regents eligibility and letter of recommendation required. * Offers full scholarship, guidance to earn bachelor’s, and paid teaching internship. |
| ADMISSIONS &  ELIGIBILITY |
| High school diploma or GED  Non-selective  *75.1 GPA (CD = 70.8 GPA)* |
| APP PROCESS  & TIMELINE |
| CUNY APP DEADLINES:  Fall: Feb. 1  Spring: Sept. 15   1. Apply by WINTER BREAK. 2. Indicate CD eligibility. 3. Get acceptances – commit to BMCC (deposit/waiver). 4. Take CUNY placement test (March/April). 5. Get scores. If assigned to remedials see FAQS. 6. Contact offices about special programs and eligibility: CD, ASAP, CUNY Start, and Learning Academies. 7. Info sessions & paperwork in to BMCC/programs. 8. Registration. 9. Actively initiate relationship with your advisor/program. |
| **KEY INSIDER INFORMATION** |
| EVERYONE needs guidance their first year. For a smooth transition and a strong first year:  **Enter through a special support programs:** If you are eligible, applying to CUNY Start, ASAP, CD, or the Freshman Learning Academies is highly recommended. These programs offer combinations of peer support, individualized/personal advising, financial assistance, etc.  **Develop a close relationship with your advisor:**   * Not everyone is eligible for the above programs, but every student gets an advisor. * Whether assigned to you through a support program, or by the Academic Advising and Transfer Center, you need to make your advisor YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND. College students say making an advisor their ally was the best freshman year tip. |
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| LINKS | **FAQs** |
| HOME:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/j2ee/index.jsp>  ASAP:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/asap/index.jsp>  ASAP ELIGIBILITY:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/asap/requirements.jsp>  COLLEGE DISCOVERY:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/cd/index.jsp>  FIRST YEAR LEARNING ACADEMIES:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/fla/>  CUNY JUSTICE ACADEMY:  <http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/centers/justice_academy/5398.php>  CUNY TEACHER ACADEMY:  <http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/teacheracademy/index.jsp> | 1. **How will I know who my advisor is if I’m not in a special program?**  * The Academic Advising and Transfer Center assigns all incoming freshmen to an advisor. Information is sent via email. * FLA students have an FLA advisor for their first year. FLA helps students transition to working with an advisor from Academic Advising and Transfer their third semester.  1. **What do I need an advisor for?**  * Many freshmen think they don’t need an advisor, but they’re WRONG. * Advisors know how college works. You don’t. You truly need them to stay on track. * Advisors can help with the WHOLE picture: academic stuff (if you’re failing classes, planning your major, exploring careers, etc.) and what’s going on out of school too (stress at home, self-esteem, time management, etc.). * They help students access resources (counseling, summer opps, tutoring, etc.)  1. **What if I’m assigned to remedial courses?**  * **If you have 1:** Do it over the summer through Summer Immersion. * **If you have 1-2:** Talk to ASAP or CD about eligibility – you will need extra help starting college needing to complete remedials. * It is NOT ADVISED to spend financial aid on remedials by taking them your fall or spring semesters– keep in mind, you’re limited to 8 semesters of aid total. * If you plan on pursuing a 4-year degree, remedial courses can set you back from maintaining the academic progress needed to finish on time, with enough aid. * **If you have 2-3:** Do CUNY Start for sure.  1. **How do I get into the programs on campus?**  * All programs said they do direct outreach to students by email/phone calls. * **CD:** Meet family size and income EOP eligibility. Check EOP guidelines online. * Be eligible by CD’s guidelines for grades (70.8 GPA or less) or call to discuss. * Indicate interest when applying to CUNY online. * Contact the office after receiving acceptance to visit and get instructions. * Fill out a FAFSA and turn in a 1040 tax form to the CD office. * Follow up quickly – spots are limited. * **ASAP:** See ASAP profile. * Be eligible, attend info session, and turn in paperwork quickly – spots are limited. * **First Year Learning Academies:** Be a liberal arts major and first time college student. * Take placement test. Eligible if assigned two or less *upper level* remedials. * Contact FLA, complete BMCC matric for reg, go to info session, schedule 1on1 meeting. * **CUNY Start:** See CUNY Start profile. * Take placement test in spring. If assigned to 2-3 remedials, contact CUNY Start. * **CUNY Justice Academy:** Speak to your first year advisor. |
| ALUMNI  TO TALK TO | **CONTACT INFORMATION** |
|  | **Academic Advising and Transfer Center**  Freda McLean, *Director,* 212-220-8316, [fmcclean@bmcc.cuny.edu](mailto:fmcclean@bmcc.cuny.edu)  **College Discovery**  Dr. Pedro Perez, *Director*, 212-220-8154, pperez@bmcc.cuny.edu  **ASAP** Main Number, 212-346-8660, email[asap@bmcc.cuny.edu](mailto:asap@bmcc.cuny.edu) (Any counselor is helpful!) **Freshman Learning Academies**  Alexandra Pyak, *Program Supervisor,* 212-220-8328, [fla@bmcc.cuny.edu](mailto:fla@bmcc.cuny.edu) (very helpful)  **CUNY Start**  **Lashallah Osborne, 212**-346-8398, [CUNYStart@bmcc.cuny.edu](mailto:CUNYStart@bmcc.cuny.edu) (Hard time getting anyone.) |