



Community and Continuing Education, Workforce Development and Library Services Division

The Educational Opportunity Program

## EOF Matters

AUGUST/September 2021 Edition

Let's Go!.....

Three – 3 – Ways to get back in the game!

1. Fall 1 Classes start on 9/2!
2. Weekend Classes start on 9/3 and
3. Fall II start on 9/23!!!!

Register now and get your best schedule for the Fall!!! Come see us (summer hrs: 8 – 6pm M – W and TH, 8am to 4:30pm ) or contact us for advice and other assistance!

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***Patricia Paniaqua x3386***

***Joanna Romano, x3231***

The plan is to be back on campus – and we look forward to seeing you all—you have been missed! The EOF Department is cleaned-up, freshly decorated and the tutors are here --- also we have teatime and coffee breaks with snacks for you so you can be comfortable studying and also meeting with friends, staff and classmates



Students, Staff Faculty --- We have openings – so get more money, more tutoring more TLC etc....

Basic eligibility: Registered Full time for Fall, low income, resident of NJ! Come over and see or call Mike x3232 to get applications or to have us stop in to your class to briefly speak with students! We are available!!!!

Do you need a laptop? Stop by the EOF Department and borrow a new one! While they last – for EOF students!

**Career Conversations with Tracy! - Extended!!!**

Join **Tracy Cooper**, Professional Career Coach to learn more about your career choice and how to attain it! This is a unique opportunity to spend time with a pro helping you to live the dream!!! Your job could be something you didn't even know existed!!!!

Call or Send Email: Phone: (908) 977-6811 Email: [TracyCooperCoach@gmail.com](mailto:TracyCooperCoach@gmail.com)



[Congratulations to the Students and Staff in the EOF Summer Programs!!!](#) [With the help of the college and the State Office of Higher Education,](#) We were able to assist many students with their studies:

- 35 New students participated in the PreFreshman Summer Program – most earned college credits, brushed up on writing and math skills, and Zoomed with staff everyday for 6 weeks to learn about being a successful college student!
- Over 45 Students received extra money for tuition payments in Summer semesters.
- Students took a free, no worry course in Pre Calculus and/or Chemistry – to get ahead of their classwork
- Some 12 students joined in on the Rise-Up Program ---- a workshop in practicing English to assist with becoming comfortable in classroom discussions and presentations.
- More than 40 students worked with Ms. Tracy Cooper, our summer career coach who met with them 1 – 1 and in small groups----she guided them through proper resume writing, using LinkedIn and taking various assessment tests for career discernment.



[Get your Financial Aid Straight ---- email your FA Officer with your concerns!](#)

## FINANCIAL AID

### Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday 9am-5:45pm  
Thursday 9am-3pm  
Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday

If you need to come in person to our office, you must bring a Photo ID. The Financial Aid Office website includes our complete Financial Aid Counseling Tips for Students (FACTS) publication and all office forms.

#### Have more questions?

Your assigned Financial Aid Officer is always available by email using your ECC email account and via Zoom web conferencing. To schedule a meeting via Zoom, email your Officer from your ECC email account.

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students who come from a low income background ---- Find out more ---- visit us – 3rd level Green Area, Yamba Building, or call 973 877-3231 – J Romano, Director]

Pictured: **Alex Nunez Ramos** – 2021 grad with a 4.0 GPA --- shows off his Academic Award from the State of NJ Office of the Secretary of Higher Education

### Lunch and Learn:

Students who participated in the **Brilliant Career-** STEM classes and Career Counseling are invited to a luncheon on August 26. The purpose is to celebrate what you learned, and plan for upcoming classes and academic assistance – particularly in area of STEM studies. Please contact Ms. Maria [mfalcon@essex.edu](mailto:mfalcon@essex.edu) or 973 877-3017.



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## EOF – Get with the Program