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E.O.F. Matters --- January 2023!

The Monthly Newsletter from the EOF Department at Essex*

Happy New Year --- & --- New Semester!!

Come over to register – we are back on campus Tuesday, 1/3

>>>>There are Two Semesters --- Spring I & Spring II:

Spring I Semester: Classes start on Monday, January 9 --- through -- April 27

Spring II --- Another set of classes --- from - Feb.10 – April 24 --- Register for Spring II classes on January 23!!!

(Remember --- Jan 16 --- Dr. MKL Birthday,, college closed)

New Year – New EOF!!!

(Well, we still are our old lovable selves --- but we will have some cool things to help you ---)

EOF Forum --- January 17, Tuesday, 2:30pm and January 18, Wednesday, 4pm --- two different days and times to accommodate your schedule! -- Tune in for great news, tips, views to make your life even better --- All on Zoom!! Details to follow! Remember – **its mandatory for EOF students, because it's that good!!! Everyone else is invited to join in!**

EOF Tutors will be back by January 9 --- start early --- get to know them: Homero (Mr. Math); Gladys (Accounting – on Zoom!), Jesutomi (All Science); Ms. Ware – “Getting that paper written --- the right way!”)

More money for ECC Students!!!! Yes, there are openings in the ECC/ EOF Program --- You can get more Counseling, Tutoring, Money and snacks (LOL) -- - --- just apply!! Click on this QR code or Come over or call us: Edyta Niedbal 973 877-3229; 3rd level, green Area (Basic requirements: Registered full time and from a low-income background)



Mike's Crew --- Mike Cresci along with Social Work interns, will help you find out about health centers, dental clinics, lawyers, social security, SNAP (Food Stamps) child care, etc..... They will meet with you 1-1 to see what you may be eligible for ---- come to see them or answer when they reach out to you! No more: “nobody told me”!

Coach Tracy! --- Will be here to help you with your career search, resume writing, LinkedIn accounts, etc..... Use her! Set up an appointment!: 908 977-6811 or stop by the department!

ECC Grads: The State of New Jersey wants to honor you!

For EOF Students: If you are a graduate in this academic year (2022– 2023) and have a cumulative GPA of 3.20 or higher you likely are eligible to receive an **award** from the NJ Office of the Secretary of Higher Education (OSHE)! Please be a part of it! Contact Mr. Ike Azubuiké at 973 877-3104 azubuiké@essex.edu; or romano@essex.edu; 973 877-3231. Or come to the department to see us or your **Counselor**.



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☹️ 😊 **It's true, a happy and yet sad occasion is coming up for EOF Students,**

Staff, and the ECC community: Ms. Ivonne De Pascual, LPC, has accepted a position at Montclair State University "CAPS" – Counseling and Psychological Services Center – so, she is leaving ECC after almost 25 years!

Ms. Ivonne started out as an ESL student!!!, participated in the Work Study program (in EOF) worked part time (also in EOF), and moved on to become an EOF Counselor! An intelligent, creative, loving and tenacious counselor – we can't begin to express our gratitude to her. We will have some farewell events in her honor – so please look for them!!!

And remember Ms. Ivonne, once EOF always EOF!!!



Pictured: EOF Students won cool stuff during our Multicultural Forum and Lunch

Announcing the **EOF Top Chef!!!!** Mike Cresci --- Italian Meatballs --- runners up: Edyta for Broccoli Salad; Caroline for chicken and rice; Sasha for tomato sauce; Solange for Flan. Mike is still accepting your favorite recipes --- just bring them in and we will make the EOF Recipe Book!



***[The Educational Opportunity Fund Program – EOF – is funded by the State of NJ and ECC. We provide financial and academic support services to college students from a low-income background. Learn more: Visit: 3rd Level, Green Area Yamba Building; or call Edyta Niedbal, Eligibility Specialist, at 973 877-3229 or Joanna Romano, Director – x3231]**

EOF – Get with the Program!!!

