WELCOME!!!

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
STEP 1: KNOW YOUR DEGREE

**Associate of Arts**
- Art Foundations: Art History - AFH
- Business Administration - BAN
- Childhood Education - EDU & EDB
- Communication Studies - COM
- Criminal Justice - CRJ
- Liberal Arts - LIB
- Modern Languages - MLA
- Sociology - SOC
- Writing & Literature - ENG
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**Associate of Science**
- Art Foundations: Studio Art - AFS
- Animation & Motion Graphics - ANI
- Biotechnology Science - BTE
- Community Health Education - COH
- Computer Science - CSC
- Early Childhood Education - ECI & ECP
- Engineering Science - ESC
- Forensic Accounting / Economics - FAC
- Geographic Information Science - GIS

**Associate of Science**
- Human Services - HUM
- Mathematics - MAT
- Multimedia Programming & Arts - MMP / MMA
- School Health Education - SHE
- Science - SCI
- Science for Forensics - FSC
- Secondary Education - SEP/ SEB/SEM/SEH
- Theatre - THE
- Video Arts & Technology - VAT

HOW DO I GET ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS?
STEP 1: KNOW YOUR DEGREE

**Associate of Applied Science**

- Accounting - ACC
- Business Management - BEC
- Computer Information Systems - CIS
- Computer Networking - CNT
- Health Information Technology - HIT
- Nursing - UDH / NUR
- Paramedic - EMC
- Respiratory Therapy - RTT
- Small Business Entrepreneurship - SBE

HOW DO I GET ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS?
STEP 2: SEEK ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT

Academic advisement is the process by which advisors and students work together to develop educational plans to achieve student life and/or career goals.

How do I get started & what do I use?
STUDENT ADVISEMENT/DEGREE AUDIT

Academic Advisement tool used within CUNY. You are able to:

- View your entire curriculum
- See what percentage of your degree / major you have already completed
- With the help of your academic advisor, plan out your courses until graduation
- Look at the “What If” in regards to possible change of major
- Calculate your GPA, etc.
DEGREE AUDIT - AN ONLINE ADVISEMENT ACCESSSED THROUGH DEGREEWORKS
Advisement sheets are given to students after meeting with academic advisors. Use this as a guide for class registration.
STEP 3: BEWARE OF ALL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

There are other requirements besides just my classes????

Writing Intensive (WI)

WI is a special designation given to courses that use the writing process to help students master course material and improve their writing skills taught by professors specially trained to aid student success.

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DID YOU KNOW...?

- BMCC F-1 STUDENTS CAN ONLY TAKE ONE ONLINE CLASS PER 12 CREDITS. THERE IS NO LIMIT ON HYBRID CLASSES.

- Each online & hybrid learning course we offer is the equivalent of the course you would take in a classroom.

- Each course carries the same number of credits, covers the same subject matter, and is taught by a member of the BMCC faculty.

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DID YOU KNOW...?

- That if you stop attending your class(es) without officially withdrawing, you may receive a grade equivalent to an F grade.

- Every grade has consequences—grades remain on your transcript even if you fail and then retake the course.

- Before dropping classes, please speak with International Student Services Office (ISSO) so we can help!

- Bad grades = Academic Probation = VIOLATION OF F-1 STATUS

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WHAT ARE REMEDIAL COURSES???

• Necessary pre-requisites (reading, writing, math) for credited courses
• This includes: ACR 94/95, ESL 49/54/62/94/95, MAT 08/12/14/51/56/56.5
• No Credits BUT Credit-HOURS!
What is BLIIS?

BLIIS is an affordable ESL program for international nonimmigrant students who have already been accepted to study for a degree at BMCC. BLIIS offers students the opportunity to spend more time learning English in an academic environment before formally enrolling in college courses. BLIIS students will improve their reading, writing, listening, and oral communications skills.

Classes are held at 25 Broadway, 8th Floor.

Who can attend?

- BMCC international freshmen or transfer students who test into ESL 054 or 094
- BMCC international students recommended by the ESL department

When Can I Retest?

You will retake the CUNY tests at the end of the Winter course.

- If you pass, you will go to regular English classes
- If not, you can continue in BLIIS or attend a high level ESL class

BLIIS saves time & money!
AS AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT THINGS YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF:

- **Credits** versus credited **hours**
- Academic Probation/Dismissal
- Special Probation
- Repeat Policy
- BMCC Email Account
- Academic Calendar
START PLANNING EARLY

- When to start developing your transfer plan
- When to submit college applications
- When to take your WI course
IMPORTANCE OF ACADEMIC PLANNING

Long term planning allows you:
- To set goals & priorities
- To balance your course load & maintain a competitive GPA
- To possibly save time & money
- Time to develop relationships with faculty
- To anticipate your graduation date
Academic Integrity: Academic dishonesty is prohibited at CUNY. Serious consequences for all students, especially international students.

**Cheating:** unauthorized use or attempted use of material, information, notes, study aids, devices or communication during an academic exercise.

**Plagiarism:** the act of presenting another person’s ideas, research or writing as your own.
Academic Integrity cont’d:

Obtaining Unfair Advantage: any action taken by a student that gives them an unfair advantage in their work over another student’s work.

Falsification of Records and Official Documents: the act of forging signatures or falsifying information on an official document.
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