

29th ANNUAL BEACON CONFERENCE

Date: June 4, 2021

Location: www.beaconconference.org

PROGRAM

EVENT HOST:



SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Greetings from Dr. Belinda Miles, WCC President Review of Online Participation Protocol</p>
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	<p>SESSION I: CONCURRENT PANELS</p> <p>Allied Health and Nursing Film Studies History Interdisciplinary Studies Literature I Social Justice</p>
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	MORNING BREAK
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	<p>SESSION II: CONCURRENT PANELS</p> <p>The Arts Biology Business and Economics Communications / Media / Speech Education Environmental Studies Sociology</p>
12:15 PM – 1:30 PM	MIDDAY BREAK
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<p>SESSION III: CONCURRENT PANELS</p> <p>Chemistry and Natural Sciences International Studies / Globalization Literature II Philosophy and Religion Psychology Women's / Gender / LGBTQ Studies</p>
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	POSTER SESSION and COLLEGE TRANSFER FAIR
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<p>AWARDS CEREMONY</p> <p>Congratulations from Dr. Vanessa Morest, WCC Provost Announcement of Panel Award Winners</p>

SESSION I: ALLIED HEALTH AND NURSING

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Prof. Linda Hall
Prof. Stephanie Miller
Dr. Paria Parto

Bergen Community College
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Prince George's Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Amy DiCapua

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Prof. Lisa Lorden
MS, RN, CRNP, ACNP-BC, CPNP AC & PC

Stevenson University

PRESENTERS:

Bianca Braun
“The Neurological, Structural, and Psychological Bases of Speech Disorders”
Mentor: Dr. Mira Sakrajda
Westchester Community College

Doris Dewey
“Drugs vs. Diet: Treating Crohn’s Disease”
Mentor: Prof. Michelle Somma
Westchester Community College

Oralee Skeath
“Physical Therapy in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit”
Mentor: Dr. Carole Wolin
Montgomery College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Norma Katz, M.S. PMHNP, BC, R.N
Holder of Joseph and Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Nursing

SESSION I: FILM STUDIES

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Prof. Randy Boone
 Prof. Robert Pucci
 Prof. Dana Weidman

Northampton Community College
 Ulster County Community College
 Dutchess Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Jenny Evans

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Michael Cramer

Sarah Lawrence College

PRESENTERS:

Mayel Levin

“Negotiating Hegemonic Portrayals of Race and Gender in Hollywood: A Cultural and Feminist Analysis of *Waves*”

Mentor: Dr. Ellen Kreger
 Westchester Community College

Nyrene Monforte

“The Legacy of Neorealism in the Films of the Late Marcos Era”

Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
 Montgomery College

Jake Weaver

“Characters on the Edge of the Unknown”

Mentor: Dr. Christopher L. Costello
 Reading Area Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Craig Padawer
 Holder of Nancy & William Olson Endowed Chair for English

SESSION I: HISTORY

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Prof. Eric DeAngelo
Prof. Samantha Dunn
Dr. David Lucander

Lehigh Carbon Community College
Orange County Community College
Rockland Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Carla DuBose-Simmons

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Benjamin Carp

CUNY – Graduate Center

PRESENTERS:

Anna Dewey
“The First Defenders: Allentown Infantry”
Mentor: Prof. Sholomo B. Levy
Northampton Community College

Anastasia Mikova
“DuBois and Coates, a Hundred Years Apart: A Retrospective on the Myth of Racial Equality”
Mentors: Prof. Cinder Cooper Barnes and Dr. Michael LeBlanc
Montgomery College

Alaa M. Sharaf
“Let them Eat Aish: Bread, Power and Human Vulnerability”
Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
Montgomery College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Dr. John F.M. Flynn
Holder of Barbara A. Abeles Endowed Chair for European Studies

SESSION I: INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Prof. Lynn A. Kenneally
Dr. Trista Merrill
Prof. Christine Pipitone

Ocean County Community College
Finger Lakes Community College
Raritan Valley Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Scott Zaluda

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Natalie Strobach

Johns Hopkins University

PRESENTERS:

Livia Fontana
“The Building Blocks of Democracy”
Mentor: Prof. Seamus Gibbons
Bergen Community College

Craig R. Harrell
“Of Wampum, Language, and Land: Conrad Weiser’s Command of Negotiations”
Mentor: Prof. Jodi Greene
Reading Area Community College

Nida Khan
“CRISPR’s Impact on the Field of Gene-Editing and Society”
Mentor: Dr. Carole Wolin
Montgomery College

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SESSION I: LITERATURE I

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Dr. Liz Hynes-Musnisky
Prof. Krista Rivera
Dr. Izabela Zieba

Nassau Community College
SUNY Adirondack
Raritan Valley Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Elise Martucci

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Dean DeFino

Iona College

PRESENTERS:

Ian Davies

“Mark Me, too’: Reconfiguring the Law in Toni Morrison’s *Beloved*”

Mentor: Dr. Annette Conn

Bucks County Community College

Ramona Saft

“It can’t happen here’: Margaret Atwood’s *The Handmaid’s Tale* and the Fruit of the Unholy Alliance Between Trump’s Vision of America and His Alt-Right Acolytes”

Mentor: Prof. Jennifer Kaufman

Ulster County Community College

Lauren Stocker

“Struggle and Sexuality in Nella Larsen’s *Passing*”

Mentor: Dr. Allison Carpenter

Northampton Community College

PANEL CO-SPONSORS:

Dr. Christolyn Williams and Dr. Elizabeth Gaffney

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SESSION I: SOCIAL JUSTICE

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

READERS:

Dr. Joshua P. Canale
Prof. Jennifer Gasparino
Prof. Thomas Impola

Jefferson Community College
Passaic County Community College
Ulster County Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Sandra Ramsay

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Kyle Kattelman

Farleigh Dickinson University

PRESENTERS:

Maris Breaton
“Juvenile Offenders in U.S. Courts: Effects and a Possible Alternative”
Mentor: Professor Scott Rudd
Monroe Community College

Audrey Hall
“Unjust Justice: Global Look at Indigenous Women in the Carceral State”
Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
Montgomery College

Ellen Zweig
“Racism Undercover: Why Originalism Is Not Right for Today”
Mentor: Prof. Rachel Wineberg
Westchester Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Helen O’Brien
Holder of Joseph and Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Human Services

SESSION II: THE ARTS

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Margaret Craig
Dr. Loretta Di Bianca Fois
Prof. Izolda Maksym

Dutchess Community College
Raritan Valley Community College
Nassau Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Nicole Tschampel

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Prof. Alina Tenser

SUNY Purchase

PRESENTERS:

Fernanda Carvalho Santos
“Synesthesia and Film: An Experience Beyond the Screen”
Mentor: Prof. Philip Weisman
Borough of Manhattan Community College

Eva Tsitohay
“Unearthed: *The Epic of Gilgamesh* on the Immortality of Literary Art”
Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler
Montgomery College

Wesley Tan
“How Modern Capitalism Affects Diversity in Art and Design”
Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler
Montgomery College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Steven Riedel
Holder of Jack & Ralynn Stadler Endowed Chair for Arts & Culture in Society

SESSION II: BIOLOGY10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Laura Blinderman
Dr. Robert Blum
Dr. Mark Condon

Mercer County Community College
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Dutchess Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Robert Collis

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Joseph Skrivanek

SUNY Purchase

PRESENTERS:

Zachary Cussick

“Clathrin-Mediated Endocytosis at the Postsynaptic Site”

Mentor: Dr. Joanna Giza

Borough of Manhattan Community College

Veronica Martinez Castro

“Bacterial Diversity in East River as a Possible Window into Pollutant Sources”

Mentor: Dr. Ana Lucia Fuentes

LaGuardia Community College

Daniel F. Yamoah

“The Role of Molecular Motor Proteins: Kinesin and Dynein Superfamilies”

Mentor: Dr. Carole Wolin

Montgomery College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Joanne Seid, RDN

Holder of Joseph and Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Nutrition and Dietetics

SESSION II: BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Lucinda Fleming	Orange County Community College
Dr. Denise François-Seeney	Northampton Community College
Prof. James Tappen	Rockland Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Farhad Ameen	Westchester Community College
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JUDGE:

Dr. Vidya Atal	Montclair State College
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PRESENTERS:

Lauren Olah
“Pink Awareness vs. Breast Cancer Advocacy”
Mentor: Prof. Kathleen Weiss
Cecil College

Christopher Saca
“Improving Social Upward Mobility for Low Income and Minority Groups”
Mentor: Dr. Cynthia Edwards
Montgomery College

Otávio Santos de Albuquerque
“An Intersectional Examination of Income Distribution and Poverty”
Mentor: Prof. Rachel Plaksa
Lehigh Carbon Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Deirdre Verne
Holder of Sylvia & Leonard Marx, Jr. Endowed Chair for Business Management

SESSION II: COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA / SPEECH

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Christine Armstrong	Northampton Community College
Prof. Steven Keeler	Cayuga Community College
Prof. Margeaux Lippman Hoskins	Dutchess Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Rodeena Stephens	Westchester Community College
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JUDGE:

Dr. Andrea Solomon	Columbia University School of General Studies
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PRESENTERS:

Nicholas Kenton
 "Lost Cause Rhetoric: Analysis of the Past to Guard Democracy Today"
 Mentor: Dr. Christopher L. Costello
 Reading Area Community College

Kira Ng
 "Falling in Love with Mediocre Men: An Analysis of Gender Roles in K-Dramas"
 Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler
 Montgomery College

Maya Wong
 "Judging by the 'Color' of my Language: Language Appropriation, Raciolinguistic Ideologies, and the Power of Words in Identity Construction"
 Mentor: Dr. Jennifer Delfino
 Borough of Manhattan Community College

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SESSION II: EDUCATION10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Heather Hinkle
Dr. Sarah Shurts
Prof. Jacqueline Tiermini

Frederick Community College
Bergen Community College
Finger Lakes Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Heather Ostman

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Thomas Brock

Columbia University
Teachers College

PRESENTERS:

Alexzander Baetsen

“The School-to-Prison Pipeline: A Global Product of Systemic Racism in Education”

Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler
Montgomery College

Gillian Moore

“The Good District: A Case Study of Segregation in the Education System”

Mentor: Prof. Scott Rudd
Monroe Community College

Jonathan Cuenca-Levanon

“The Bias in Standardized Testing”

Mentor: Prof. Brian Centrone
Westchester Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Meralee Silverman
Holder of Joseph & Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Developmental Education

SESSION II: ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Samuel Dillon
Dr. Juliette Goulet
Prof. Jennifer Herzog

Orange County Community College
Brookdale Community College
Herkimer College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Laurel Robinson

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Ann Yezerksi

King's College

PRESENTERS:

Joshua Lasciche

“Uptake of Radioactive Ions from Aqueous Solutions by Biopolymers”

Mentor: Dr. Abel Navarro

Borough of Manhattan Community College

Elena Meiman

“Algae: Tiny Organisms with Big Potential to Address Global Warming”

Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler

Montgomery College

Oscar Soto

“Bridging the Electrical Gap: Renewable Energy in Sub-Saharan Africa”

Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook

Montgomery College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. Kary Ioannou

Holder of Joseph & Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Alternative Energy Technology

SESSION II: SOCIOLOGY

10:45 AM – 12:15 PM

READERS:

Prof. Mark Altschuler
Dr. Christine Bowditch
Dr. Cory Harris

Bergen Community College
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Orange County Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Elizabeth Miller

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Marie-Claude Jipguep

Howard University

PRESENTERS:

Zaiba Aftab
“Solitary Confinement and Prison Labor”
Mentor: Prof. Emerald Jones
Montgomery College

Raffaella Gualtieri
“Societal Expectations, Roles, and Impacts on Wellbeing”
Mentor: Dr. Danielle Bower
Reading Area Community College

Marianna Russell
“White Supremacy: An Intersection of Race and Humanity”
Mentor: Dr. Megan Nolan
Rockland Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Prof. JoAnne Conway
Co-Holder of Joseph & Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Student Support and
Engagement

SESSION III: CHEMISTRY AND NATURAL SCIENCES

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Dr. Kristopher Baker
Prof. Mary Engel
Dr. Michele Iannuzzi Sucich

Rockland Community College
Lehigh Carbon Community College
Orange County Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. James Ziegler

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Gary Washington

United States Military Academy at West Point

PRESENTERS:

William Roman

“Protein-Adsorbents Affinity and Its Potential Use for the Recovery of Proteins from Aqueous Solutions”

Mentor: Dr. Abel Navarro

Borough of Manhattan Community College

Jessica Supers

“Synthesis of 2,6-Heptanedione from 1,2-Dimethylcyclopentanol via Acid-Catalyzed Dehydration and Ozonolysis”

Mentor: Dr. Danielle Ringhoff

Northampton Community College

Mary Townson

“How Diet, Physical Activity and Genetics Affect Cholesterol Levels”

Mentor: Prof. Ericko Heise

Corning Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Dr. Jody Reifenberg

Holder of Joseph & Sophia Abele Endowed Chair for Chemistry

SESSION III: INTERNATIONAL STUDIES / GLOBALIZATION

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Dr. Cristobal Espinoza-Wulach
Prof. George (Djordjo) Repic
Dr. Laura Sosa

Middlesex Community College
Rockland Community College
Mercer County Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. George Keteku

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Bruce Whitehouse

Lehigh University

PRESENTERS:

Luz Cusi Ttito
“The Deplorable Reality of Human Trafficking in Peru”
Mentor: Charles O. Bordogna
Bergen Community College

Afua Koranteng
“Navigating the Complexities of Artifact Restitution”
Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
Montgomery College

Elsa Sellmeyer
“Horseback Heritage: The Whitewashing of Native American History”
Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
Montgomery College

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SESSION III: LITERATURE II1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Prof. Michael Avery	Jefferson Community College
Prof. Andrea Laurencell Sheridan	Orange County Community College
Prof. Nancy Trautmann	Northampton Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. James Werner	Westchester Community College
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JUDGE:

Dr. Margaret Christian	Pennsylvania State University
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PRESENTERS:

Amelia deGuzman
"Travel Through Allusion"
Mentor: Dr. Diane Rizzo
Mercer County Community College

Hana Cornell
"Love and Mortality in *Romeo and Juliet*"
Mentor: Dr. Richard Rodriguez
Westchester Community College

Matthew Palmer
"The Regne of Femenye: Gender Roles in Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*"
Mentor: Dr. Katherine Lynch
Rockland Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Dr. Mira Sakrajda
Holder of Carol S. Russett Endowed Chair for English

SESSION III: PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Dr. Edward Grippe
Prof. Kenneth Howarth
Dr. Robert L. Muhlnickel

Norwalk Community College
Mercer County Community College
Monroe Community College

MODERATOR:

Prof. Jo Stokes

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Andrei Buckareff

Marist College

PRESENTERS:

Laura Balske

“What Some Scientists Don’t See When Looking at a Brain in Love”

Mentor: Dr. Dwight Goodyear
Westchester Community College

Melissa Merlo

“Designer Babies: Genetic Engineering for Perfection”

Mentor: Prof. Harold Weiss
Northampton Community College

Emeline Torrens

“The Janus Face of Modernism”

Mentor: Dr. Meghan Nolan
Rockland County Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Jessica Tagliaferro
Holder of Joseph and Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Library Sciences

SESSION III: PSYCHOLOGY

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Dr. Robin Musselman
Dr. Elaine Olaoye
Dr. Kim Rybacki

Lehigh Carbon Community College
Brookdale Community College
Dutchess Community College

MODERATOR:

Dr. Maria Stalias-Mantzikos

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. Usha Barahmand

Queens College

PRESENTERS:

Kimani LaFond

“The Link Between Personality, Occupation, and Career Success”

Mentor: Dr. Kamil Hamaoui

Westchester Community College

Luis Angel Ochoa

“Psychotherapy and Intervention Programs for Building Resilience in Adolescence”

Mentor: Dr. Kamil Hamaoui

Westchester Community College

Jaclyn Liquori

“Cluster B Personality Disorders: A Mock Case Study in Adjustment”

Mentor: Prof. Melanie Wood-Scureman

Corning Community College

PANEL SPONSOR:

Gloria De La Paz

Holder of Joseph and Sophia Abeles Endowed Chair for Admissions

SESSION III: WOMEN'S / GENDER / LGBTQ STUDIES

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

READERS:

Prof. Darshna Katwala
Dr. Maria Makowiecka
Prof. Amy Roberts Wilson

Nassau Community College
Bergen Community College
Community College of Baltimore County

MODERATOR:

Dr. Christine Timm

Westchester Community College

JUDGE:

Dr. JoAnne Myers

Marist College

PRESENTERS:

Nikkita Frazier
"The Angry Black Woman"
Mentor: Prof. Sholomo B. Levy
Northampton Community College

Nicholas Tracy
"Power in Death: An Examination of Vengeful Female Spirits"
Mentor: Prof. Esther Schwartz-McKinzie
Montgomery College

Ana Turcu
"Gender Social Construct and Implicit Bias in Medicine"
Mentor: Dr. Nathan Zook
Montgomery College

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POSTER SESSION
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Giselle Sotto

“Walking the Bridge Between ‘Western’ and ‘Alternative’ Medicine”

Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler

Montgomery College

Jessica T. Beitler

“Delia Has the Floor: Returning the Woman’s Voice to the Murder Ballad”

Mentor: Dr. Cheryl A. Tobler

Montgomery College

Mac Collier

“Fungi: Turning Human Pollutants into Sustainable Building Blocks”

Mentor: Dr. Margaret Eiden

Westchester Community College

Molly Stamets

“A Growing Detachment from Sources and the Effects of Consumerism”

Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler

Montgomery College

Shannon Mandalou

“Should Microorganisms Be in Our Food”

Mentor: Prof. Jennifer Capparella

Montgomery College

Jose Ildefonso Flores

“Advertising and the Body”

Mentor: Prof. Rebecca Eggenschwiler

Montgomery College

Madison Crane

“Parent-Teacher Communication Across Cultures”

Mentor: Dr. Mira Sakrajda

Westchester Community College

Christopher Skaats

“Shining the Truth: Spotted Lanternflies and Why They All Must Die”

Mentor: Dr. Clarence Orsi

Cecil College

Juliana De La Cruz

“Miyazaki In Bloom: Animated Sympathies of Nature”

Mentor: Dr. Lou Ethel Roliston

Bergen Community College

Paulo Almiron

“An Overview of Indigenous Resistance in Colonial Peru”

Mentor: Dr. Martha Brozyna

Passaic County Community College

Faith Mangiameli

“CPS: Children’s Painful Situations”

Mentor: Prof. Rebeca Rivera-Robayo

Orange County Community College

Morgan Thomas

“The Waives That Crash on the Shores of Misogyny: The Reorganization of Brazilian Feminism and the Recent Effects of Mass Media”

Mentor: Prof. Jodi Greene

Reading Area Community College

Dylan Ortiz

“Eternal Love and the Ravages of Time in Shakespeare’s Sonnets”

Mentor: Dr. Richard Rodriguez

Westchester Community College

Claudia Yanela Maldonado

“Nuns are Women: The Influence of the Catholic Church on Women in Latin America”

Mentor: Dr. Richard Rodriguez

Westchester Community College

Celeste Mckenzie

“Is Human Nature Fundamentally Good or Evil?”

Mentor: Prof. Boran Beric

Kingsborough Community College

Iman Louise Rozga

“Mindfulness, Meditation and Personality Change”

Mentor: Dr. Kamil Hamaoui

Westchester Community College

Omar Graves

“We Gon Be Alright”

Mentor: Prof. Jordan Bell

Dutchess Community College

Katie Conte

“The Crisis America’s Youth is Facing”

Mentor: Prof. Melissa Krieger

Bergen Community College

Mieraan ul Haque

“The Impact of Student Debt on Society in the USA”

Mentor: Prof. George Repic

Rockland Community College

Rayne Robateau

“The Chaotic Beauty of Things”

Mentor: Prof. Emma Draper Rich

Corning Community College

Schiza Cime and Mohamadia Nassar

“Uptake of Co (II) Ions from Aqueous Solutions by Low-Cost Biopolymers”

Mentor: Dr. Abel Navarro

Borough of Manhattan Community College

COLLEGE TRANSFER FAIR

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Adelphi University
Clarkson University
SUNY Cobleskill
John Cabot University
Keuka College
Lehman College of the City University of New York
Loyola University Chicago
Marist College
Mercy College
Northeastern University
Nova Southeastern University
Pennsylvania State University
Quinnipiac University
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
St. Francis College
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY Buffalo
SUNY Farmingdale
Vaughn College of Aeronautics & Tech
Western Connecticut State University

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Borough of Manhattan Community College	Orange County Community College
Brookdale Community College	Raritan Valley Community College
Dutchess Community College	Reading Area Community College
Lehigh Carbon Community College	Rockland Community College
Monroe Community College	Ulster County Community College
Montgomery College	Westchester Community College

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SUNY Cobleskill	Quinnipiac University
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Keuka College	St. Francis College
Lehman College	SUNY Maritime College
Loyola University Chicago	SUNY Buffalo
Marist College	SUNY Farmingdale
Mercy College	Vaughn College of Aeronautics & Tech
Northeastern University	Western Connecticut State University

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Mark Stollar

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Lehigh Carbon Community College

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TWO-YEAR COLLEGES

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Bucks County Community College	Monroe Community College
Cayuga Community College	Nassau Community College
Cecil College	Northampton Community College
Community College of Baltimore County	Norwalk Community College
Corning Community College	Orange County Community College
Dutchess Community College	Passaic County Community College
Finger Lakes Community College	Prince George's Community College
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Jefferson Community College	Rockland Community College
Kingsborough Community College	Ulster County Community College
LaGuardia Community College	Westchester Community College

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Panel Judges:

Columbia University – School of General Studies
 Columbia University – Teachers College
 CUNY – Graduate Center
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 Howard University
 Iona College
 Johns Hopkins University
 King's College
 Lehigh University
 Marist College
 Montclair State University
 Pennsylvania State University

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 Clarkson University
 John Cabot University
 Keuka College
 Lehman College
 Loyola University Chicago
 Marist College
 Mercy College
 Northeastern University
 Nova Southeastern University
 Pennsylvania State University

Queens College
Sarah Lawrence College
Stevenson University
SUNY Purchase
United States Military Academy at West Point

Quinnipiac University
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
St. Francis College
SUNY Buffalo
SUNY Cobleskill
SUNY Farmingdale
SUNY Maritime College
Vaughn College of Aeronautics & Tech
Western Connecticut State University