



From the Office of **Human Resources**

Human Resources Monthly: December 2020

Introducing Baruch Wellness Corner & Looking Ahead to 2021

Dear Faculty and Staff,

As we conclude a year that was marked by unpredictable circumstances and events, the Office of Human Resources (OHR) is here to support you for the rest of 2020 and the upcoming year. The newsletter below offers the latest information, resources, and new programs for your health, wellness, and career-related needs.

Baruch Bearcats Jingle Bell Run, Walk, and Wheel

The Baruch College Athletic Department is proud to announce the inaugural Bearcats Jingle Bell Run, Walk, and Wheel 1K and 5K. This health and wellness event is also a holiday fundraiser with half of the proceeds going toward the Baruch College Student Emergency Fund. Get more information and sign up [here](#).

Introducing Baruch Wellness Corner

OHR's new [Wellness Corner](#) offers the latest information and resources for your health and wellness needs, including:

- WorkWell NYC Digital Calendar
- Community-wide Events and Challenges
- Health Insurance Wellness Programs
- Upcoming Webinars and Webinar Recaps
- Weight Watchers Partnership with the City of New York

Have fun exploring!

Covid-19 Priority Testing

To ensure the health and safety of all CUNY faculty, staff, and students during the pandemic, CUNY has worked with the City of New York to secure priority Covid-19 testing at designated NYC Health + Hospitals testing sites. Priority testing is now

available for faculty, staff, and students working and/or attending classes on campus. Community members working remotely and/or attending classes remotely are not eligible. For a list of sites, visit the city's [Priority Testing for School-Based Staff and Students page](#).

December 31 Annual Leave Deadline

Any over-the-cap annual leave as of August 31, 2020 must be used by Friday, Dec. 31. This does not include any additional time earned September to the present. If you would like assistance in determining time needing to be used, please [email full-time timekeeping](#).

New CUNY Supervisors Professional Development Program

Beginning in January 2021, CUNY's Office of Professional Development and Learning Management will be offering a Supervisors Professional Development Program aimed toward all new CUNY supervisors with fewer than two years of experience. Additional information about the program can be found [here](#). Managers must submit their [nomination form](#) by **this Wednesday, Dec. 23**. All other questions may be addressed to Despina.Kouvaros@cuny.edu.

Apply for the CUNY Office Assistant Exam

The filing for CUNY Office Assistant Open Competitive Exam No. 2063 is open, effective immediately, through **next Thursday, Dec. 30**. Applicants are encouraged to apply via [Exams Xpress](#). Find more information on the [Notice of Examination](#). If you have questions, please email classified.centex@cuny.edu or call CPS HR Consulting at 866-864-1072 Ext. 3245.

Ongoing Programs, News, and Initiatives

- **TIAA Members:** Meet with a financial planning consultant to [map out your goals](#).
- **New York State Deferred Compensation (NYSDCP) Plan (457b):** Set up a virtual appointment with the NYSDCP account executive [here](#). You can also reach an NYSDCP representative at 614-854-4547. Helpline at 800-422-8463.
- **Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) Online Education Programs:** TRS has expanded its online educational offerings. [Click here](#) to see the list and register for upcoming virtual programs.

Get Support with Upcoming Webinars

- **WorkWell NYC Digital Calendar for December:** Find classes to help get you moving and physical [here](#).

- **CCA@Your Service Webinar 2021 Calendar:** [Click here](#) to see a list of online webinars to help you balance your work, family, and personal life.

OHR Is Here for You

Please continue to email your questions and your suggestions for future editions of this newsletter to human.resources@baruch.cuny.edu.

Lastly, on behalf of the entire office, I wish you a happy holiday season and new year. I look forward to another year supporting you as a member of the Baruch community.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director, Office of Human Resources

The logo for Baruch College, featuring the word "Baruch" in a large, white, serif font above the word "COLLEGE" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font, all set against a dark blue background.The logo for CUNY (The City University of New York), featuring the letters "CU" stacked above "NY" in a large, white, sans-serif font, with the words "THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font to the right, all set against a dark blue background.