

**Baruch** COLLEGE

2024

EMPLOYEE  
RECOGNITION  
CEREMONY

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Wednesday, March 20



Dear Colleagues,

The Baruch College Employee Recognition Ceremony celebrates the talent, dedication, and hard work of our outstanding staff. This is the College's chance to honor employees who have reached milestone years of service and to congratulate the 2024 Baruch College Excellence Award winners.

This year's shift to recognize our outstanding colleagues through the lens of our five core values—Collaboration & Connection, Excellence, Impact, Inclusion, and Innovation—and the addition of the new Frontline & First Responder Award reflect Baruch's commitment to a supportive and inclusive community, as a place of opportunity and exploration.

Thank you for all you do each day to further the success of students, faculty, and staff as they make transformative impact on our world. Your shared sense of purpose and connection is the key to that success.

Best regards,

S. David Wu  
President



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# WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE PRESIDENT

**Lakisha Skrine**

Executive Director, Office of Human Resources

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## GREETINGS

**S. David Wu**

President

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## AWARDS

### **Baruch College Service Awards Ceremony**

Recognition of Years of Service Milestones for 2024

10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45 Years of Service\*

*\*Years of service is based on continuous full-time service at Baruch College*

### **2024 Baruch College Excellence Awards for outstanding work in six strategic categories**

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## CLOSING REMARKS

**Lakisha Skrine**

Executive Director, Office of Human Resources

# BARUCH COLLEGE SERVICE AWARDS

## Office of the President

**S. David Wu**, President

**David Gaudette**

CUNY Administrative Assistant, 30

**Art King**

Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, 10

**Kenya Lee**

Chief of Staff, 20

## Office of the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Linda Essig**, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

## OFFICE OF ASSESSMENT, ACCREDITATION, AND INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

**Melissa Sultana**

Associate Director, 20

## OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATE PROVOST FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

**Vanessa Cano**

Special Assistant to the Associate Provost, 15

## WILLIAM AND ANITA NEWMAN LIBRARY

**Fanny Brito**

CUNY Office Assistant, 25

**Alfredo Garcia**

CUNY Administrative Assistant, 45

## Office of Administration and Finance

**Alaina Gilligo**, Vice President for Operations and Administration

## BUDGET AND PLANNING OPERATIONS

**Maple Liu**

Finance Budget Director, 15

## **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

### **Anthony Arena**

Custodial Assistant, 10

### **Eric Ettinger**

Carpenter Supervisor, 30

### **Luis Plasencia**

Custodial Assistant, 25

### **Fintan Reynolds**

Maintenance Worker, 20

### **Gerard Walsh**

Carpenter, 30

## **CAMPUS FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS**

### **Frank Antonucci**

Director, Facilities Planning, 40

## **CONTROLLER'S OFFICE**

### **Queenie Mallon**

Finance Coordinator, 40

### **Vijay Sood**

Finance Controller, 30

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **Desmond Alexander**

Campus Security Assistant, 10

### **David Irizarry**

Campus Peace Officer, 10

### **Zoraida Nunez**

CUNY Office Assistant, 25

### **Fausto Polanco**

Campus Public Safety Sergeant, 25

### **George Stasko**

Motor Vehicle Operator, 40

### **Deshan Yang**

IT Senior Associate, 25

## Office of College Advancement

**David Shanton**, Vice President for College Advancement

### COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT

**Kimberly Chu**

Manager, Student Career Program, 10

**Mary Tufts**

Director, Corporate and Foundation Relations, 10

## Division of Enrollment Management & Strategic Academic Initiatives

**Mary Gorman**, Vice President of Enrollment Management & Strategic Academic Initiatives

### ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT

**Serra Hilaire**

Associate Director, Operations, Technology and Advising Programs, 10

**Marvin Rodriguez**

Senior Academic Advisor, 30

### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

**Yvel Favelus**

CUNY Office Assistant, 35

**Cheryl Levine**

CUNY Administrative Assistant, 45

**Debbie Mazzia**

Assistant Registrar, 40

**Justin Ritter**

Enrollment Registrar Coordinator, 15

**LaTonia Sanders**

Enrollment Registrar Coordinator, 10

**Eliza Tom**

Interim Registrar, 40

**Josie Torres**

Enrollment Registrar Coordinator, 25

## OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT & STRATEGIC ACADEMIC INITIATIVES

### **Arlene Velazquez**

CUNY Administrative Assistant, 35

## UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

### **Marisa DeLaCruz**

Senior Director, Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment, 25

### **Keith Geraldino**

Admissions Advisor, 10

### **Madhu Jethanandani**

CUNY Office Assistant, 20

### **Huthaifah Kareem**

Admissions Specialist, 15

### **Yohaly Navarrete**

Admissions Specialist, 10

### **Hortense Ricketts**

CUNY Office Assistant, 20

## Office of Information Services

**Michael Richichi**, Interim Vice President of Information Services and CIO

## BARUCH COMPUTING AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER (BCTC)

### **Bruce Little**

IT Senior Associate, 20

### **Darryl Minor**

IT Academic Technology Specialist, 30

## Office for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

**Art King**, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students

## ATHLETICS & RECREATION

### **Carrie Thomas**

Student Athletics Program Specialist, 10

## NEW STUDENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

### **Robert Kunicki, PhD**

Director, New Student and Family Programs, 10



## STARR CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**Ellen Stein, PhD**

Director, 30

## Austin W. Marxe School of Public and International Affairs

**Sherry Ryan**, Marxe Dean

## GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

**Suzanne Grossman**

Deputy Director, Career Services & Alumni Affairs, 10

## Weissman School of Arts and Sciences

**Jessica Lang**, Dean

## FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

**Ana Calero**

CUNY Office Assistant, 25

## NATURAL SCIENCES

**Bogdan Nicolescu**

Senior College Laboratory Technician, 30

**Yelena Skidelsky**

Senior College Laboratory Technician, 15

## OFFICE OF THE DEAN

**Warren Arthur**

IT Assistant, 10

**Farhana Osmani**

IT Associate, 25

**Sonya Wahab**

Director, Academic Affairs & Pathways Transfer Appeal Officer, 20

## WEISSMAN GRADUATE PROGRAMS

**Janaire Boxill**

Assistant Director, Graduate Admissions, 10

## **Zicklin School of Business**

**Bruce W. Weber**, Willem Kooyker Dean

### **CAREER SERVICES OPERATIONS**

**Deborah Butler**

Administrative Coordinator, 10

### **EXECUTIVE PROGRAMS**

**Katharine Travers**

Assistant Director, Admissions, 10

### **GRADUATE ADMISSIONS**

**Noemi Taveras**

Assistant Director, 25

### **OFFICE OF THE DEAN**

**Lillie Glenn**

Director, Budget & Administration, 10

**Laura Jewell**

Director, Communications, Marketing, & Strategic Initiatives, 10

**Dularie Ramkishun**

Academic Administrative Manager, 25

### **PAUL H. CHOOK DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND STATISTICS**

**Jennifer Tavarez**

Administrative Coordinator, 15

### **STAN ROSS DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTANCY**

**Claudia Lopez**

Administrative Coordinator, 10

### **WEISSMAN CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS**

**Richard Mitten, PhD**

Director, Study Abroad, 20

# 2024 BARUCH COLLEGE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

## Excellence

### **Victor Peralta**

IT Associate, Media Resources,  
Baruch Computing and Technology Center (BCTC)

## Impact

### **Jevonne Dixon**

Payroll Manager, Office of Human Resources

## Inclusion

### **Teresa Hurst, PhD**

Director, Counseling Center

## Innovation

### **Angel Arcelay**

Director, Enterprise Systems and Services, Baruch Computing  
and Technology Center (BCTC)

## Collaboration & Connection (Team Award)

### **ZICKLIN TECH**

**Marios Koufaris, PhD**, Interim Associate Dean

**Glova Smith**, Director of Technology Services

**Rosa Alvarado-Dejesus**, Assistant to the Director of Technology Services

**Michael Eccles**, Technology Assistant

**Julio Li**, College Assistant

**Aynan Chowdhury**, College Assistant

## Frontline & First Responder

### **Tailong Lin**

Custodial Assistant, Buildings and Grounds

# HONORABLE MENTIONS

## EXCELLENCE

### **Maria Burgos**

Faculty Workload and Systems Manager, Academic Administration, Office of the Provost

### **Elizabeth Figini**

Director, Graduate Programs, Zicklin School of Business

### **Teresa Hurst, PhD**

Director, Counseling Center, Student Affairs

### **Justyn Makarewycz**

Deputy Director of Employer Relations,  
Zicklin Graduate Career Management Center (GCMC)

### **Yvonne Rojas**

Business Manager, Office of Communications, Marketing,  
and Public Affairs (OCMPA)

### **Michael Rollins**

CUNY Office Assistant, Communication Studies Department,  
Weissman School of Arts and Sciences

## IMPACT

### **Zoran Gerasimovski**

Senior Assistant Director, International Student Service Center (ISSC)

### **Wynter Greene-Allen**

Associate Director, Honors Program

### **Claudye James**

CUNY Office Assistant, English Department,  
Weissman School of Arts and Sciences

### **Sandra Kupprat**

Associate Director, Starr Career Development Center

### **Marlene Leekang**

Executive Director, Lawrence N. Field Center for Entrepreneurship

## INNOVATION

### **Heather MacCulloch**

Director, Athletics and Recreation

# COLLABORATION & CONNECTION (TEAM AWARD)

## OFFICE OF PLANNING AND BUDGET

**Mary Rivers**, Assistant Vice President, Planning and Budget

**Weijian Deng**, Finance Manager

**Nelly Mero**, Budget Systems Analyst

**Andy Tran**, Finance Budget Coordinator

**Julissa Herrera**, Finance Budget Coordinator

## STUDENT ACADEMIC CONSULTING CENTER (SACC)

**Michele Doney**, Director

**Nidzaida Garcia**, Associate Director

**Hem Vyas**, Coordinator of Academic Support for Mathematics

**Teresa Dimilta**, Administrative Coordinator

# EXCELLENCE AWARDS SELECTION COMMITTEE

Frank Antonucci  
Director, Facilities Planning

John E. Chandler II  
Director of Technology Support Services,  
Baruch Computing and Technology  
Center (BCTC)

Muhammad Hanif  
Finance Budget Coordinator, Office of  
Enrollment Management & Strategic  
Academic Initiatives (EMSAI)

Tricilia Jacob  
Director, Administration and Operations,  
Zicklin Executive Programs

Norene Leddy  
Director of Faculty Affairs, Office of  
Academic Affairs

Esther Moss  
Interim Diversity and Operations  
Specialist, Office of Diversity,  
Compliance, and Equity Initiatives

Latoya Rodney  
Lieutenant, Public Safety

## **Selection Committee Co-Chairs**

Kenya Lee, Chief of Staff,  
Office of the President

Lakisha Skrine, Executive Director,  
Office of Human Resources

## **Event Committee Coordinators**

Leila Begy  
HR Assistant, Employee Services  
Office of Human Resources

Patrick Chen  
HR Assistant, Benefits and Employee  
Services, Office of Human Resources

Jennifer Escobar  
CUNY Office Assistant,  
Office of Human Resources

Sergine Louis-Cherry  
Manager, Benefits & Employee Services,  
Office of Human Resources

Max Ng  
HR Coordinator, HR Information  
Systems, Office of Human Resources

Ulises Ordonez, HR Assistant,  
Recruitment, Office of Human  
Resources

Debbie Poon  
HR Specialist, HR Information Systems,  
Office of Human Resources