



Yi Li
Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

524 West 59th Street, Suite 621H
New York City, NY 10019
T. 212.237.8801
F. 212.237.8623
yili@jjay.cuny.edu

Academic Affairs Updates

Jun 13, 2020 through June 19, 2020

Here are a few updates on what is happening in Academic Affairs.

Office of the Provost Matters

- As of yet, no decision has been made regarding the mode of instruction for Fall 2020. Here is the Chancellor's most recent statement on reopening CUNY campuses: [CUNY Forward Reopening Plans](#)

Institutional Effectiveness Matters

- The Teaching and Learning Center is facilitating talks throughout the summer on teaching and racial justice. The first conversation is next **Tuesday, June 23: Racial Justice and Our Students**: Where do I need to self-educate in order to educate towards justice? To register, [click here](#).
- DOES is sponsoring a Blackboard "How To" webinar introducing a new Blackboard feature "Blackboard Annotate," at 2:00 pm Wednesday, June 24. All previous webinars are recorded and can be found on the DOES webinar page. [Click here](#).
- Don't forget that Assessment Reports are due July 1. Any questions or concerns? Contact Dyanna Pooley, Director of Assessment, dpooley@jjay.cuny.edu.

Graduate Studies Matters

- No updates

Undergraduate Studies Matters

- UGS received a two-year grant from The College Completion Innovation Fund (CCIF) to develop a humanities transfer pathway for the CUNY Justice Academy. When complete, the project will provide dual degree programs and career preparation for Liberal Arts transfers to our History, Humanities and Justice Study, English, and Philosophy majors. This project was one of five selected for the CCIF's highly competitive award cycle.

Registrar's Office Matters

- No updates

Research Matters

- Due to the high volume of grant submissions we are experiencing, please remember to provide the Office of Sponsored Programs with at least three weeks of advance notice for an external grant deadline so that we can assure that staff are available during the appropriate time period.

Professional Studies Matters

- Our Professional Studies unit has launched a new online training Restart NYC Safely, that is targeted to small businesses and is meant to help them navigate state recommendations and best practices around how to reopen during the pandemic.

Operations Matters

- Adjuncts: All reappointments and non-reappointment letters will be issued via email on June 29, 2020. Adjuncts should check their college email account for their notification. New offer letter templates will be distributed to chairs shortly and EHRAFS for reappointments and new appointments will start being reviewed and approved beginning June 30, 2020.
- Hourly Personnel Appointments: The University has authorized colleges to reappoint hourly employees for the month of July for a maximum of 87 hours. No information has been provided about August or other future months. Human Resources will issue appointment and non-reappointment letters as soon as the University releases them to do so and employees should check their college email account for their notification. New offer letter templates will be distributed shortly and EHRAFS for reappointments and new appointments will start being reviewed and approved as soon as the letters go out.
- OTPS: FY2020 is almost completely closed. Departments will be notified when the FY2021 allocations are in place in CUNYfirst.
- Travel: All domestic and international travel has been suspended until further notice. More information on travel is available at <https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/#academic-travel>.

Note: This is the last of our weekly Updates. Going forward, *Academic Affairs Updates* will be published bi-weekly.