



# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS UPDATE

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Dear Academic Affairs Colleagues,

In the fall I warned that we had budget challenges. I am pleased to share that we have reduced our projected \$12M deficit to \$4M this year. Because the college saved federal stimulus funds to cushion these known deficits, we will end the year in the black. The \$8M savings were realized through the effort and sacrifice of many at the college and in Academic Affairs. Thanks to Dean Sidman, Associate Dean Killoran, the Chairs and Program Directors, our schedule is more closely matching student demand and costing less. Meanwhile, some of you are working without staff members while we experience a hiring slowdown and that hurts. The good news is we are projecting increased enrollment next year and that should help. But as Karol continuously reminds us, we need to push ourselves to think through how we can do our work differently rather simply replacing positions we may not be able to afford.

In this update I am excited to share about the rich programming of this week's Career Kickstart for our students and the meaningful work of John Jay's International Research Partnerships.

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## Career Kickstart Enhances Student Career Readiness

Representatives from 20 corporations, including 13 John Jay alumni, will be on campus Wednesday and Thursday for [Career Kickstart](#), a series of panels and workshops meant to inform and prepare students for careers in the private sector.

It's not too late for students to register for one or more of the events, including resume review, "Doing Justice work in Corporate America"; "Being Black, Brown, Woman and Othered in White men spaces"; "Networking": In-person practice with industry volunteers providing real-time feedback on elevator pitch, body language and general conversational skills and much more.

**Career Kick-Start**

March 27 & 28 | 9:30am-6:00pm | New Building

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**Private Sector Power Moves**  
With For-Profit Companies  
Open to All Graduate and Undergraduate Students

**Put Your Best Foot Forward**  
Business casual/professional attire highly recommended!

**Professional Workshops**  
Register for the Career Kick-Start event including the resume review, feedback and/or networking skills practice session!

**Register Here!**

## John Jay's International Research Partnerships Leading Work in Peru and El Salvador

Professor Hung-En Sung, Director of International Research Partnerships, has received a \$3.4 million grant from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) of the U.S. Department of State to enhance operational capacity and ethnic diversity within the National Police of Peru. Prevention strategies that are community-oriented, intelligence-led, and focused on problem-solving will be designed, implemented, and evaluated in the Ayacucho, Cusco, Loreto, and Madre de Dios departments.

Additionally, Professor Sung is overseeing \$2.5 million in grants aimed at fostering emergency management competency and mental health resilience among members of the National Civil Police of El Salvador. Professor Joel A. Capellán (standing left), along with doctoral student Kenneth Quick, serves as senior project personnel in these international initiatives.

For more on our International Research Partnerships in OAR, visit their website

<https://www.johnjayglobal.org/quienes-somos>



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