

NEW STUDENT INFORMATION

HOSTOS LINGO

Brightspace: Is a web-based learning management system (LMS) software system that allows students to view important announcements from professors, easily manage course work, participate in online discussions, access course material and submit your class assignments.

Bursar: Where you pay or ask questions about your tuition bill, and setting up a payment plan. D-B105

CUNYfirst: Online platform to register for classes, see your financial aid award, view and/or pay tuition bill and check grades.

DegreeWorks: Provides you with a checklist of classes you need to take each semester for your major, to help you stay on track to graduation.

FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid, this form is used by the college to put together your financial aid package, including federal and state aid, grants, work-study, scholarships, etc. Be sure to submit the FAFSA every year to get money to cover your college costs.

FERPA: Family Education Rights and Privacy Act provides guidelines and regulations for when and how an academic institution can share student/parent records with third parties.

Full-Time Student: A student is considered full time when they take 12 or more credits per semester.

Part-Time Student: A student is considered part time when they take less than 12 credits per semester.

Hybrid Class: A mix of online and traditional face-to-face classroom instruction.

Synchronous: A virtual class with a set meeting schedule and live discussions.

Asynchronous: A virtual class where students communicate with instructors and other classmates on their own time.

RESOURCES ON CAMPUS

<https://www.hostos.cuny.edu/Student-Services>

Academic Support

[HALC](#) - Tutoring Support | C-596

[Writing Center](#) | C-596

[First Year Experience](#) B-419

[Undocumented Student Support](#)

[ESL Program](#) | B-519

[Library](#) | A-308

[Computer Lab](#) | C-595 & C-598

Advising Teams

[SSCU](#) - Coaching Unit | M-200

[ASAP](#) | M-200

[College Discovery](#) | D-101

Other Resources

[Financial Aid](#) | D-B112-115

[SGA](#)- Student Government Association | C534

[STEM/Dual Degree/Program Office](#) | B-419

[Career Services](#) | D-210

[Transfer Services](#) | D-101

[OCD](#) - Compliance and Diversity | A-336

[Counseling](#) | C-330

[Student Health Services](#) | A-334C

[Wellness Office](#) | D-101K

[DVP](#) - Domestic Violence Program | D-101D

[ARC](#) - Accessibility Resource | D-101L

[Public Safety](#) | C-030

[CUNY Start](#)

[Ms. MacKenzie Scott's Gift](#) | *President's Initiatives for Student Success, College Growth and Stakeholders' Engagement*

GOOD HABITS FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

- Attend and participate in class
- Keep a planner/ schedule and set reminders
- Keep up with your assignments
- Check the Hostos Academic calendar for deadlines
- Talk regularly with your advisor
- Apply for FAFSA and/or TAP/Dreamer's TAP yearly
- Check your HOSTOS email for your weekly Caiman Clues
- Attend all First Year Experience events for more info