



A MESSAGE FROM INTERIM PRESIDENT

Daisy Cocco De Filippis, Ph.D.

My Dear Students,

These are just a few words to encourage the journey on your third week of classes and to provide you with a few updates. The Hostos Family, that is your professors, counselors, academic advisors, tutors and your peers, are staying close together to ensure that we can make the best use of resources and time in a semester that will continue to be challenged by the pandemic, economic challenges and struggles for racial justice. Our motto is “manos a la obra” or “all hands-on-deck” as we work generously and collaboratively to resolve difficult challenges. Please be encouraged to reach out to one of us if you need to consult, support or advice. Your professors are here for you; your counselors are here for you; your tutors are here for you; our administration and staff are here for you.

Here are some specific details about our efforts this semester, based on information received from the Senior Vice President of Administration and Finance, the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, and the Registrar:

- We are offering 1,055 sections of courses in different modalities
- Of these sections, 1,002 are online
- Of these, 53 sections are on the ground
- Percentage of synchronous = 56.87% (600 out of 1055)
- Percentage of asynchronous = 43.13% (455 out of 1055)
- We are limiting the number of individuals permitted on campus at any given time. The maximum number of students on campus at any given time is approximately 93 and the average number of staff and faculty in any one building is approximately 32

- Health and safety are our first priorities, to that end, here are some of the safety measures in place: We are requiring that all individuals complete a Wellness Check Survey via the Everbridge application, prior to entering any building. Individuals must be cleared to be authorized entry. These daily screenings protect our College community and keep you safe
- The custodians do a daily cleaning of all spaces that are used. After each room is cleaned, a confirmation notice is adhered to the entrance door

I hope you are receiving and reading The Hostos Weekly/El Semanario Hostosiano and also reading a number of important informational communications being sent regularly by both SDEM and OAA.

Mil gracias y bendiciones,

President Daisy

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