



Get Involved with QC!

Dear New Faculty,

Welcome to Queens College! Probably, you are already very busy settling into your new role and responsibilities as new faculty, full-time or part-time. This letter will hopefully familiarize you with opportunities to share your talents and interests with the Queens College community. Getting involved is one of the best ways to meet other faculty outside of your department, to receive informal mentoring support, to find creative outlets for managing stress, and finally, to enrich and invest in the future of Queens College.

Below is a short list of ongoing efforts. You may also check out the QC Senate Committees online:

<http://www.qc.cuny.edu/Academics/AcademicSenate/Pages/default.aspx> and at Kiely Hall Room 141.

Also, many of your interests may be aligned with a QC department; consider introducing yourself and learning more about the department's events- a list of QC centers and program directors is here:

<http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/Pages/ProgramDirectors.aspx>. I also recommend reading the QC Mailer that is emailed regularly; don't direct it to your spambox, because it's a great way to know what's going on around campus!

If you need assistance or can update this information, please contact me. This list is far from complete, so additional information of ongoing campus efforts is absolutely appreciated.

Finally, as I was compiling this, a couple of links about the tenure process were brought to my attention:

<http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/FacultyStaff/Pages/default.aspx>

<http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/Policies/Pages/default.aspx>

I suppose these items could make good breakfast reading.

Best wishes and good luck!

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International Exchange/Scholarships:

- Study Abroad Opportunities. Contact: Helen Gaudette, Director of the Office of Global Education Initiatives (Helen.Gaudette@qc.cuny.edu)
- Scholarships and Rhodes/Marshall/Fulbright efforts. Contact: Ross Wheeler, Director of the Macaulay Honors Program (Ross.Wheeler@qc.cuny.edu)
- Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship program. Contact: Grace Davie, Professor of History (Grace.Davie@qc.cuny.edu)
- The Year of [country] planners. Contact: Arleen Kassel, Professor and Director of Asian Initiatives (Marleen.Kasselkerson@qc.cuny.edu).

Music/Art/Film/Writing

- Performance groups involving faculty, opportunities to volunteer with music festivals. Contact: Ed Smaldone, Director of the School of Music (Edward.Smaldone@qc.cuny.edu)
- Film Studies, opportunities to volunteer with film festivals. Contact: Amy Herzog, Professor and Director (Amy.Herzog@qc.cuny.edu and <http://filmstudies.qc.cuny.edu/>)
- Writing at Queens. Contact: Jason Tougaw, Professor in English and Director (Jason.Tougaw@qc.cuny.edu and <http://writingatqueens.qc.cuny.edu/>)

Support Programs/Minority

- Big Buddy/Early Childhood Education. Contact: Arthur Salz, Professor and Director (Arthur.Salz@qc.cuny.edu and <http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/bigbuddy/>)
- Search for Education, Elevation, and Knowledge (SEEK). Contact: Frank Franklin (Frank.Franklin@qc.cuny.edu and <http://qcseek.info>)

Athletics

- Athletic teams or events. Contact: Inas Kelly, Professor in Economics (Inas.Kelly@qc.cuny.edu)
- Tennis Outings and Socials. Contact: Wayne Martin, Head Men's Tennis Coach and Director of Tennis Center at Queens College (Wayne.Martin@qc.cuny.edu or x72771)
- Bicycle rides, tools, advocacy/Velodrome support. Contact: Luat T. Vuong, Professor in Physics (Luat.Vuong@qc.cuny.edu)

Innovation in Academics/Career Planning/ Mentoring

- Office of Career Development and Internships. Contact: Tes Asfaw, Director (Tes.Asfaw@qc.cuny.edu and <http://career.qc.cuny.edu/>)
- Foundations of Excellence, an initiative supporting first-year freshman and transfer students. Contact: Thomas Szlezak, Coordinator and Project Manager (Thomas.Szlezak@qc.cuny.edu and <http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/FoE/Pages/default.aspx>)
- Experiential Learning and Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Opportunities. Contact: James Stellar, Vice President for Academic Innovation and Experiential Learning (James.Stellar@qc.cuny.edu and <http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/administration/Provost/Pages/Experiential.aspx>)
- Center for Teaching & Learning. Contact: Eva Fernandez, Assistant Vice Provost, Professor in Linguistics, and Director (Eva.Fernandez@qc.cuny.edu and <http://ctl.qc.cuny.edu>)