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STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

My name is Cristina and I am originally from the Dominican Republic. I graduated from the Medical Assisting program at BEOC in partnership with the Adult Learning Center English Language Learner program at New York City College of Technology.

In summer 2019, I decided that I wanted to change my job. I didn't know what to do and where to start. Since my first language is Spanish, I understood that in order for that to happen I needed to prepare. I started to improve my English skill at the Queens Library and after I finished, I was introduced to the Medical Assisting program at BEOC.

Some challenges that I overcame during this process was my lack of confidence. I needed to believe in myself in order to complete and succeed in the program. I was out of school for many years and I was afraid. I had to put extra effort to understand and study since English is not my native language. Additionally dealing with the pandemic and being able to study at home was a big challenge.

I decided to become a Medical Assistant because I like to help others, and would like to become a nurse. BEOC has helped me to get the qualifications that I needed and to pass the NHA certification. Ms. Paolino helped me in many ways by showing me how to prepare for interviews, where, and how to apply for jobs.

Right now, I am working as a Medical Assistant in a clinic in Astoria, Queens. I want to say that everything in life requires sacrifices and in the end there are rewards. The encouragement and support from my classmates, instructors, counselor, advisor, family, and friends helped me to not give up and to be where I am today.



Cristina Sanchez Medical Assisting - Spring 2021 graduate

IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION UPDATE

BEOC started in-person classes on September 27, 2021, for first-term Medical Assisting students enrolled in Phlebotomy classes. Second-term students will begin their in-person classes on October 25, 2021. As per the mandate of SUNY and CUNY, students attending in-person classes must be vaccinated. All students will be using the Cleared4 visitor app through CUNY to upload their information in order to be cleared to enter BEOC.

As we prepare to transition to more in-person classes in Fall II and Spring 2022, all applicants and students should plan to be vaccinated as soon as possible in order to access classes and other activities, programs, and services onsite. Vaccines are free to all and are available throughout New York City.

ADVISEMENT WELCOMES STUDENTS

The Advisement Center offers many services to students that assist with balancing school life. The advisors are available to help students with their academic, personal, and professional development.

Additionally, advisors...

- advise students on their academic and career planning
- assist students with issues that can disrupt their learning experience including health and financial issues
- guide students in planning for college and career after BEOC
- provide seminars, workshops, and student activities

Let BEOC advisors help you on your pathway to a successful school year!

BEOC Student Advisors:

Director of Student Services:

Ms. M. Ameh

Ms. Donna Holloway

Ms. Z. Dunson

Mr. J. Ronquillo

Ms. M. Williams-Nicholas

Reach out to your advisors; get to know how they can effectively assist you while enrolled at BEOC.

Contact an Advisor at: Advisors@beoc.cuny.edu

RESOURCE TIPS

Crisis Hotline Information

- NYC Well A free and confidential 24/7 helpline staffed by trained professionals who can provide counseling and referrals to care in over 200 languages. Call 888-NYC-WELL (888-692-9355), text "WELL" to 65173 or chat at www.nyc.gov/nycwell.
- NY Project Hope Coping with COVID Call 1-844-863-9314
- Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990 (press 2 for Spanish), or text TalkWithUs for English or Hablamos for Spanish to 66746.
- National Suicide Prevention Life: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) for English, 1-888-628- 9454 for Spanish
- National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233
- National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-4AChild (1-800-422-4453)
- National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE (4673)
- The Eldercare Locator: 1-800-677-1116
- Veteran's Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) or text: 8388255

BEOC UPCOMING EVENTS & NOTICES

KNOW PEOPLE SEEKING TUITION-FREE TRAINING?

Tell them about BEOC!

- Academic Programs
 English for Speakers of Other Languages (Fall-II 2021)
- High School Equivalency (Fall-II 2021)
- College Preparation (Fall-II 2021)

- Career Programs
 Direct Support Professional (Fall-II 2021)
 Medical Assisting (Spring 2022)
- Medical Billing and Coding (Spring 2022)
- Office Administrative Professional (Fall-II 2021)

Short-term Programs

- OSHA 40 Certification (Fall-II 2021)
 Security Guard Training (Fall-II 2021)



Interested applicants can review EOC eligibility requirements and apply at www.sunybeoc.org













Contact us: admissions@beoc.cuny.edu 718-802-3344

BEOC is now recruiting for Fall II 2021 and Spring 2022, so... TELL A FRIEND!. For more information about classes and the enrollment process, visit our website at www.sunybeoc.org.

If you are already committed to pursuing a new career or furthering your education, contact our admissions office at admissions@beoc.cunv.edu or call 718-802-3344.

Help Stop the Spread... Get vaccinated



It's time to end this pandemic... Let's get vaccinated

Find out where you can get vaccinated. Call 877-VAX-4NYC or visit https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov



Upcoming Student Workshops

- BREAST HEALTH AWARENESS October 13 \ 3:00-4:00 pm
- CONFLICT RESOLUTION October 14 \ 3:00-4:00 pm
- PREVENTING PROCRASTINATION October 20 \ 3:00-4:00 pm
- ALLIED PEER MENTORING SUPPORT GROUP October 12 \ 3:00-4:00 pm **HSE PEER SUPPORT GROUP -** October 18 \ 3:00-4:00 pm ESOL PEER MENTORING GROUP - October 20 \ 3:00-4:00 pm
- SUNY Empire State College Information Session October 26 \ 2:30-3:30 pm



Note: All workshops are accessible via Zoom. To register, go to BEOC Schoology learning management system or contact your student advisor.