CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Division of Adult and Continuing Education

Continuing Education at LaGuardia Community College opens doors to opportunity. As the largest continuing education division among all the CUNY campuses and one of the most comprehensive in the country, we offer a wide range of programs that serve thousands of New Yorkers of diverse cultures, ages, ethnicities, and educational and economic backgrounds.

English Language Learning, High School Equivalency & Pre-College

Through our rigorous and high quality English as a Second Language, High School Equivalency and Pre-College programs and courses, we equip you with the knowledge, skills and support you need to achieve your educational goals and move forward in life.

Career Skills & Workforce Training

Our innovative, professional training programs, taught by experts in the field, give you the knowledge, skills and hands-on experience you need to enter into high demand industries, including healthcare, technology, finance, construction and more.

Small Business & Entrepreneur Services

If you run a business or are just starting out, LaGuardia’s Small Business & Entrepreneur Services has the resources and support you need to grow your company and be successful. We also partner with employers to promote industry informed workforce development.

Adult Basic Skills (ABS)

The Adult Basic Skills Department prepares adult continuing education students to earn a high school equivalency diploma and achieve their college and career goals. ABS offers free and low-cost classroom instruction (reading, writing and math skills) to adults over 19 years of age in both English and Spanish for adult basic education (ABE) and high school equivalency (HSE) preparation. Students also receive advisement services on career and college pathways planning, applying to CUNY, financial aid for college, and registering for the Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) examination. Classes are offered in the morning and evening. ABS is an official New York State HSE TASC Testing Center. For more information call (718) 482-5385 or email adultbasicskills@lagcc.cuny.edu.

ASL-English Interpretation Program (AEIP)

The American Sign Language (ASL)-English Interpretation Program (AEIP) is a Bachelor’s level program offered in collaboration with senior institution SUNY/Empire State College. AEIP is a rigorous two-year academic program that prepares selected individuals who are fluent in ASL to become ASL-English interpreters, with a special focus on interpreting in educational settings. AEIP incorporates national interpreter education standards recommended by the Commission on Collegiate Interpreter Education (CCIE). A professional certificate track is also offered. Applications are accepted once a year in the spring. For more information call (718) 289-4185 VP, or email AEIP@lagcc.cuny.edu.

For more information visit www.laguardia.edu/ce/.
Career and Professional Programs (CAPP)
Career and Professional Programs prepare students for a wide variety of careers, with over 20 certificate and license training courses in areas including healthcare, tech training, business and finance, construction management and more. Working professionals can upgrade their skills in order to advance in their career. Programs range from one month to one year in duration. Instructors are experienced professionals working in their fields. For more information call (718) 482-5481 or email ACEProfessional@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Career Development Center (CDC)
The Career Development Center is a one-stop office for students currently enrolled in or who have graduated from a Continuing Education program at LaGuardia Community College. CDC helps students identify career goals and next steps, whether it's college, job training or a basic skills development program.

• Assistance with the CUNY application process
• Help with Financial Aid application (FAFSA)
• Exploration of majors
• Career assessment
• Career workshops
• Support for a successful semester
• Referrals to appropriate college departments
• Guidance from counselors

For more information call (718) 482-5355 or email careerdevelopmentcenter@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Career & Technical Education Assistance (CTEA) Center
The Career & Technical Education Assistance Center provides career development services for LaGuardia students. Through established partnerships, industry insight and knowledgeable staff, the CTEA Center offers career advisement, work readiness and job placement services for students graduating from Career and Technical Education training programs. The CTEA Center also collaborates with academic and workforce development faculty and staff to identify and develop work-based learning opportunities for all students.

• Resume Assistance
• Interview Coaching/Mock Interviews
• Real-Time Labor Market Information
• Work-Based/Experiential Learning
• Job Placement/Search Assistance

For more information call (718) 482-6031 or email cteacenter@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Center for Contract Training (CCT)
The Center for Contract Training provides customized consultative learning and development services for corporations, public sector agencies and nonprofit organizations. Our expert staff assesses, designs, develops, delivers and evaluates customized training initiatives that support the growth of an organization's employee skill base. For more information call (718) 482-5330 or email snival@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Center for Immigrant Education and Training (CIET)
The Center for Immigrant Education and Training offers free, contextualized English classes and job training programs, along with career counseling and case management services to low-income immigrant adults. Its goal is to support students in becoming lifelong learners and independent, contributing citizens of New York City. For more information call (718) 482-5460 or email ciet@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Community Health Worker Training Program
Community Health Workers (CHWs) are public health professionals whose main responsibility is to help bridge gaps between different populations and healthcare or social service systems by providing outreach, basic health education, referrals and follow-up service, case management and home visiting services. The current Community Health Worker program is a collaboration with Commonpoint Queens and trains English language learners to become CHWs.

For more information email johny@lagcc.cuny.edu.

CUNY English Language Immersion Program at LaGuardia (CLIP)
The CUNY Language Immersion Program provides intensive English as a Second Language (ESL) studies—25 hours per week—to students who have been accepted to LaGuardia or other CUNY colleges and have chosen to defer their enrollment in order to concentrate on improving their English language skills. CLIP is a low-cost program that helps students improve their academic reading, writing, speaking and listening skills in English. Students also receive assistance transitioning to credit-bearing classes after studying in CLIP, including applying for financial aid and scholarships, and have access to career pathways workshops, guidance from counselors and more. For more information call (718) 482-5966 or e-mail clip@lagcc.cuny.edu.

CUNY Fatherhood Academy
CUNY Fatherhood Academy is a free program that helps young fathers between the ages of 18 and 30 who are unemployed or underemployed to earn a high school equivalency diploma while focusing on academic and personal success; prepare for college; get work experience through a part-time job or an internship; explore careers; and learn about important topics such as parenthood, health and financial literacy. For more information call (718) 730-7336 or email dspeal@lagcc.cuny.edu.
CUNY Start/MATH Start

CUNY Start is an intensive 18-week academic program that provides developmental instruction in academic reading, writing and math for college-bound high school and equivalency graduates. MATH Start, an intensive 8-week program, offers instruction for students who need to increase their math proficiency in particular before starting credit classes. The programs allow students to save financial aid for credit courses and offer advisement on college and career planning.

For more information call (718) 482-5137 or email cunystart@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)/Paramedic/Certified Clinical Medical Assistant Programs (CCMA)

The Emergency Medical Technician and Paramedic Programs train individuals in Pre-Hospital Emergency Care. New York State certification depends upon satisfactory attendance, successful completion of course exams, and passing of a final exam administered by the New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services. The Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) Program trains students to become an important member of the medical team who assists the physician with procedures such as taking vital signs, preparing patients for medical procedures, and performing phlebotomy (blood drawing) and electrocardiography (EKG). In order to take the CCMA national certification exam, students must successfully pass all five courses in the program. (Some exemptions are possible.)

For more information call (718) 482-5768 or email EMTProgram@lagcc.cuny.edu.

The English Language Center (TELC)

The English Language Center offers non-credit English as a Second Language (ESL) programs on a full-time or part-time basis, as well as specialized workshops for skill development and test preparation. Beginning, intermediate and advanced level courses are available to recent immigrants, international students or visitors and others in need of ESL instruction. Students can also practice their English skills using the latest technology in the TELC Media Center. TELC issues I-20s to qualified students. Students who complete the intensive programs are eligible to enter CUNY without taking the TOEFL. For more information call (718) 482-5360 or email english@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses

10,000 Small Businesses is an initiative developed by Goldman Sachs to help small businesses across the U.S. grow and create jobs through greater access to business education, support services and capital. LaGuardia Community College is the initiative’s first community college partner. For more information visit www.laguardia.edu/10ksb/ or email 10KSB@lagcc.cuny.edu.

NYC Welcome Back Center

The NYC Welcome Back Center provides orientation, counseling and career support to internationally trained nurses. In addition to receiving support in obtaining appropriate professional credentials and licenses for the nursing profession, members can also receive assistance in exploring relevant educational programs, job and volunteer opportunities, and alternative career options.

For more information email nycwbc@lagcc.cuny.edu.

NYDesigns

NYDesigns, a business incubator, helps designers and hardware tech firms grow by providing low cost studio space, business counseling, manufacturing advice and a 5,000 square foot prototyping facility, all under one roof. For more information visit www.nydesigns.org or call (718) 663-8404 or email info@nydesigns.org.

Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC)

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center helps New York City businesses—in particular, small, minority and women business owners—market their goods and services to government agencies.

For more information or call (718) 482-5306 or email ptac@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Program for Deaf Adults (PDA)

Program for Deaf Adults at LaGuardia Community College is one of the country’s largest and most comprehensive programs for Deaf and Deaf-related postsecondary educational and support services. Students pursuing an Associate Degree are supported by academic, personal and job development counseling; registration assistance, classroom interpreters, tutors and note takers; testing accommodation; and special sections of Basic Skills Reading and Writing taught in American Sign Language. Courses offered under Continuing Education include High School Equivalency Preparation, Adult Basic Education, Driver Education, American Sign Language and more. PDA also offers a Bachelor’s level ASL-English Interpretation Program.

For more information call (718) 482-5324 (Voice) or (917) 832-1207 (VP) or email pda@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

The LaGuardia Small Business Development Center provides free, one-on-one professional counseling for existing and start-up businesses in English, Spanish and Korean. Areas of advising include how to start a business; legal requirements; business and financial planning; marketing; business expansion; assistance with franchises; international trade and more. For more information call (718) 482-5303 or email sbdc@lagcc.cuny.edu.
Small Business Transportation Resource Center (SBTRC)
The U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT) Small Business Transportation Resource Center – Northeast Region, located at LaGuardia Community College, helps new and emerging businesses obtain transportation-related contracts. SBTRC provides training and advising on marketing to the DOT and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise certification as well as short-term lending and bonding assistance. For more information call (718) 482-5941 or email sbtrc@lagcc.cuny.edu.

LaGuardia TechHire - Open Code
LaGuardia TechHire – OpenCode is no longer recruiting. However, there are opportunities to hire program graduates for internships, part-time or full-time employment. Software Engineer bootcamp students completed an intense, accelerated training provided in partnership with industry leaders General Assembly, Software Guild & Udacity. IT/Networking students prepared for certification in CompTIA A+ and Network+. For more information visit www.laguardia.edu/ce/tchhire-opencode/, call (718) 482-7244 or email techhire@lagcc.cuny.edu or yortizfelicia@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Veterans Workforce Initiatives
LaGuardia Community College is dedicated to serving veterans of all eras and assisting them with the transition into their next phase of life. Veterans Workforce Initiatives facilitates enrollment of veterans into a variety of free and affordable training or pre-college programs while also offering case management and other support services. For more information call (718) 482-5231 or email ddaza@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Workforce Development Programs
Current Workforce Development Programs span the fields of technology and construction and include the Data Analytics and Data Science Program, Web Development Program, Electrical 1 Training Program and Plumbing 1 Training Program. For more information on the Data Analytics and Web Development programs email yortizfelicia@lagcc.cuny.edu, and on the Electrical 1 and Plumbing 1 programs call (718) 482-5231 or email ddaza@lagcc.cuny.edu.

Workforce Education Center (WEC)
The Workforce Education Center runs the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) and the free Pathways to Graduation Program (High School Equivalency for ages 17 – 20). For more information call (718) 482-5340 or email syep@lagcc.cuny.edu (for SYEP) or wfrancis@lagcc.cuny.edu (for Pathways).

Division of Academic Affairs
The Center for Teaching and Learning
The LaGuardia Center for Teaching and Learning offers faculty-led programs designed to advance innovative teaching and to enrich student learning. Founded in Fall 2001 as a center for professional collaboration, reflection, and exchange, the Center draws upon the expertise of the entire College to help better serve students. The principles of effective practice developed by the Center guide its work with faculty. From issues of interdisciplinary literacy to strategies for addressing the rich and growing diversity of our student community to the questions raised by new educational technologies, the Center helps the College face exciting educational challenges and opportunities.

LaGuardia and Wagner Archives, E238
The LaGuardia and Wagner Archives was established in 1982 to collect, preserve, and make available materials on the social and political history of twentieth-century New York City, with an emphasis on New York City government and the borough of Queens. This growing repository houses the personal papers of Mayors Fiorello H. LaGuardia, Robert F. Wagner, Abraham D. Beame, and Edward I. Koch; the records of the Council of the City of New York, the New York City Housing Authority, and the piano company Steinway & Sons, as well as a Queens History Collection. The Archives also maintains exhibitions on the history of New York City, mounted throughout the College.

The mission of the Archives is to serve as a research center for LaGuardia faculty and students in addition to scholars, journalists, and policy makers interested in the history of the city. The staff produces exhibitions and publications designed to reach people who rarely visit museums, libraries or archives. In these ways, the Archives reflects Fiorello H. LaGuardia’s own commitment to serving all the people of New York and his vision of a government responsive and accessible to the citizenry.

HIGH SCHOOLS
Early College Initiative: Grades 9-14 Model
Energy Tech High School, Long Island City, Queens
Energy Tech is an Early College Initiative and Career and Technical Education school focused on building a skilled workforce for the fast-growing energy industry. The school opened in the fall of 2013 and is being developed in partnership with the City University of New York, LaGuardia Community College, National Grid, and Con Edison. Our mission is to prepare students for the demands of college and work, and for a range of competitive careers in electrical and mechanical engineering in our local industry. In collaboration with local university and industry partners, Energy Tech provides students with the skills and understandings to earn a high school diploma, an associate’s degree, and technical certifications over the course of
a six-year program. Ultimately, our students will leave us as skilled candidates for jobs on a ladder of career growth in the field of energy, or competitive applicants for four-year colleges. We realize this vision through a thoughtfully designed curriculum, a backbone of College and Career Foundations coursework, and a collaborative approach to problem solving.

Curriculum at Energy Tech is planned in collaboration with university and industry partners, ensuring that what we teach is aligned with what our students will encounter in college and in the workplace. Knowing that we are preparing students for these experiences earlier than is typical, we provide multiple ways to access the content in the classroom: through technology, collaborative learning, visual representations, and also through daily small-group learning labs.

The International High School

The International High School, a multicultural alternative educational environment for recent arrivals, serves students with varying degrees of limited English proficiency. A collaborative project between the New York City Department of Education and LaGuardia Community College, this school offers a high school/college curriculum combining substantive study of all subject matter with intensive study and reinforcement of English. The school’s instructional focus is on language development in the content areas, which reflects our belief that language skills are most effectively learned in context. High school courses are theme and inquiry-based and instruction is project-driven and experiential. Teams of interdisciplinary teachers create curricula, schedule students and teachers, determine assessment procedures, and provide guidance and counseling service for students. These interdisciplinary teams have been a major factor contributing to our record of high student attendance and achievement. The high school is officially recognized as an Early College Program by New York State Education Department.

Middle College High School

Middle College High School at LaGuardia Community College each year accepts 110 ninth and tenth graders from middle schools in Districts 24 and 30 in the western section of Queens. Our high school program provides intensive guidance, small classes, career exploration, and an interdisciplinary school setting for students who are considered high risk. The resources and positive role models provided by the College complement the skills of the teachers, all of whom have New York City High School Licenses. Middle College students may choose from college courses, aligned with CUNY Pathways that will receive both college and high school credit. It is a portfolio based school that focuses on writing and oral presentation skills. All Middle College students are expected to graduate with a minimum of 24 college credits with many on the degree track. Middle College High School also has a highly regarded special program for hearing impaired students in Western Queens.

School-College Collaboration

In addition to its on-campus high schools, the College works closely with the New York City Board of Education, high schools and community school districts in Queens and across New York City to prepare students for college admission and retention. Toward this end, the College provides a number of programs, which currently include:

- College Now! a CUNY initiative, enables juniors and seniors in high school to take college credit courses. Aviation high schools can also take pre-engineering courses through College Now! and, upon graduation, enter the new engineering program offered jointly at LaGuardia and CCNY. Students who have excelled in College Now! may be invited to take college Honors courses.
- College Connection, a LaGuardia-sponsored program, makes it possible for junior and senior high school students to take LaGuardia Community College courses on-campus.
- The Liberty Partnership Program is a high school retention and college preparation program operating within Grover Cleveland, Franklin K. Lane, and Newtown High Schools.

In addition to its efforts to facilitate the transition of students to post-secondary education and the workplace, LaGuardia is deeply concerned as well with promoting the professional development of teachers and counselors, increasing their knowledge of learning communities, and active, project-driven and interdisciplinary learning. Since 1992, the College has hosted high school faculties on Professional Development Days and worked intensively and continuously with K-12 teachers through the Queens School-to-Work Program, the Goals 2000 Cross-Queens Collaborative, and the Queens Urban Partnership. Also, in keeping with the College’s commitment to improving literacy skills, faculty from College Now! high schools receive training in Writing in the Disciplines.