

# Brightspace Info Session

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# Welcome

- This is an info session
- We'll review the Brightspace interface
- We'll discuss the timeline for migration
- We'll have time for Q&A
- This session is not a hands-on workshop or training

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# LaGuardia's Migration Team

- **Eric Hofmann**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
- **Jason Bryan**, CIO
- **Georgina Taraskewich**, Director of Marketing & Communications
- **Siu Sang Tin**, LMS Admin
- **Jetmir Troshani**, Project Manager
- **Pablo Avila**, Associate Director of ePortfolio and Digital Learning

**Have questions?** Email the migration team at [BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu).

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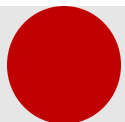
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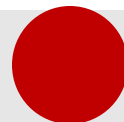
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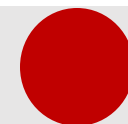
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# Communication

- Visit [www.laguardia.edu/brightspace](http://www.laguardia.edu/brightspace) to learn more information about our transition;
- We'll send regular communications via email to all faculty;
- We'll compile a list of FAQs and post on our webpage;
- We'll set up a separate resource site with additional training materials.



## Brightspace

### Contact Us

[BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu)

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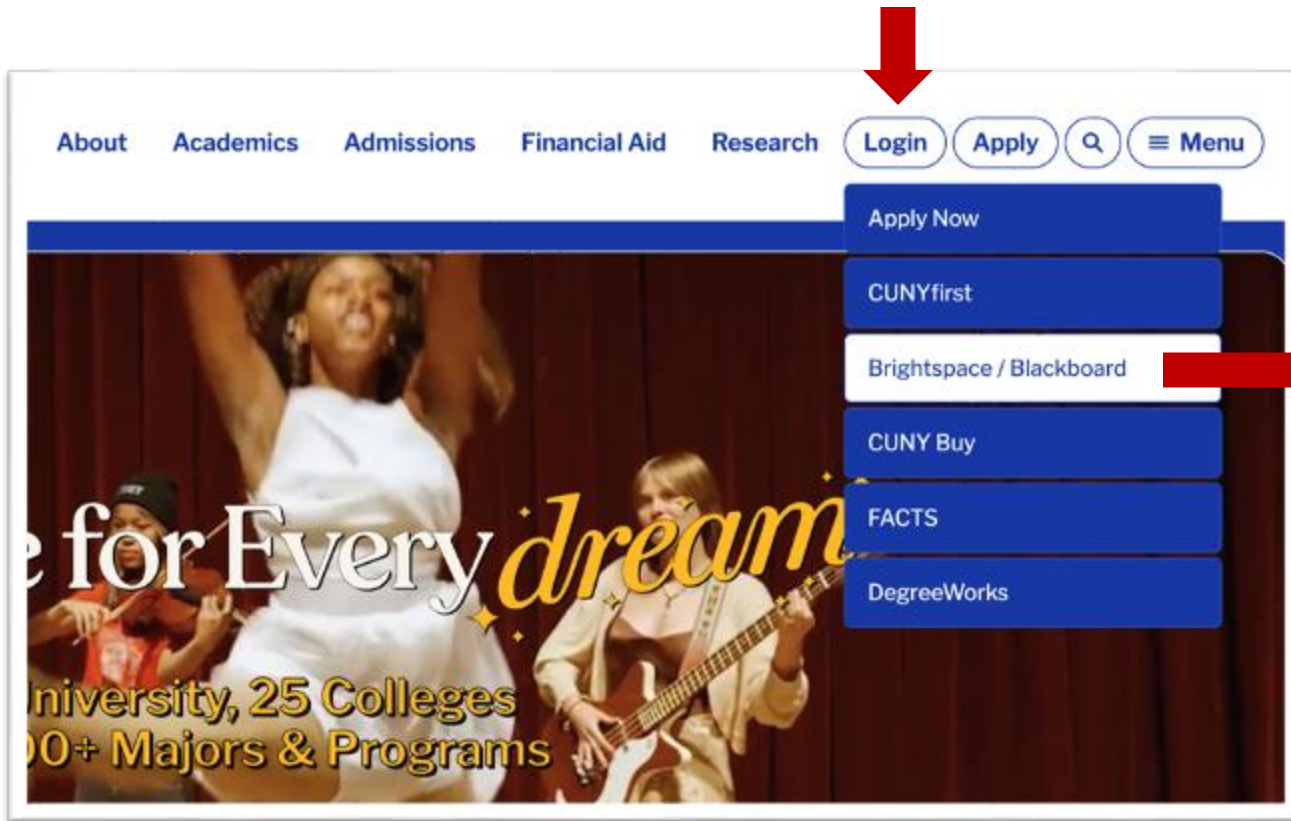
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Let's go to Brightspace!

# Accessing Brightspace

Go to [www.cuny.edu](http://www.cuny.edu) or go directly to [brightspace.cuny.edu](http://brightspace.cuny.edu).



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the CUNY website. The 'Login' button is highlighted with a red arrow pointing down to it. Below the navigation bar, a dropdown menu is open, showing several options: 'Apply Now', 'CUNYfirst', 'Brightspace / Blackboard', 'CUNY Buy', 'FACTS', and 'DegreeWorks'. A red arrow points from the 'Brightspace / Blackboard' option to the right, towards the CUNY Login page.



The screenshot shows the CUNY Login page. The page title is 'CUNY Login'. Below the title, it says 'Log in with your [CUNY Login credentials](#)'. Below that, it says 'If you do not have a CUNYfirst account, see the [FAQs](#).' The login form consists of two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. The 'Username' field contains '@login.cuny.edu'. Below the input fields is a blue 'Log In' button. At the bottom of the page, there is a dark blue bar with links: 'New User | Forgot Username | Forgot Password | Manage your Account'. Below the bar, there is a section titled 'PROTECT YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION AND PRIVACY' with text: 'ONLY enter your CUNY Login password on CUNY Login websites (ssologin.cuny.edu and login.cuny.edu). NEVER share it with others or enter your CUNY Login password elsewhere without the approval of your campus IT department. More information on CUNY's policies regarding user accounts and credentials can be found in the [Acceptable Use of Computer Resources Policy](#).' At the bottom, there is a note: 'Note: Please do not bookmark this page.'

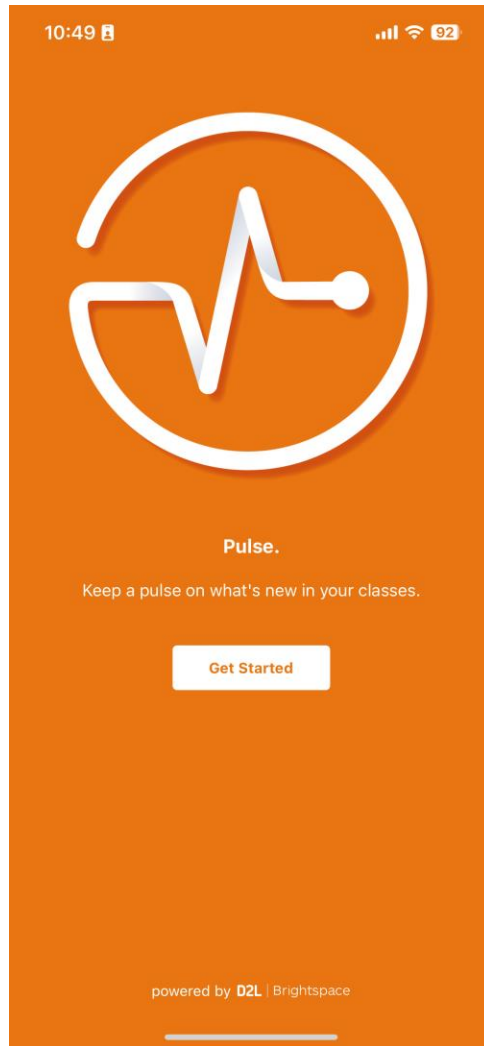
# Brightspace at a glance

The screenshot shows the Blackboard interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the CUNY logo and the word 'Blackboard'. Below this is a navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'Tech Resources/Help', 'Content Collection', and 'Faculty & Staff Training'. A secondary navigation bar includes 'Home' and 'Notifications Dashboard'. Below these is an 'Add Module' button. The main content area is titled 'My Courses' and shows a dropdown for '2023 Fall Term (LAG01)'. Under this, there are three sections: 'Courses where you are: Instructor' (highlighted with a red box), 'Courses where you are: Teaching Assistant', and 'Courses where you are: Student'. The instructor section lists '2023 Fall Term (1) First Year Seminar for Education EDF 101 541A[52432] (LaGuardia CC)'. The teaching assistant section lists '2023 Fall Term (1) Introduction to Music HUM 101 1226[51445] (LaGuardia CC) (not currently available)'. The student section lists '2023 Fall Term (1) World Music HUM 109 1180[51463] (LaGuardia CC) (not currently available)'.

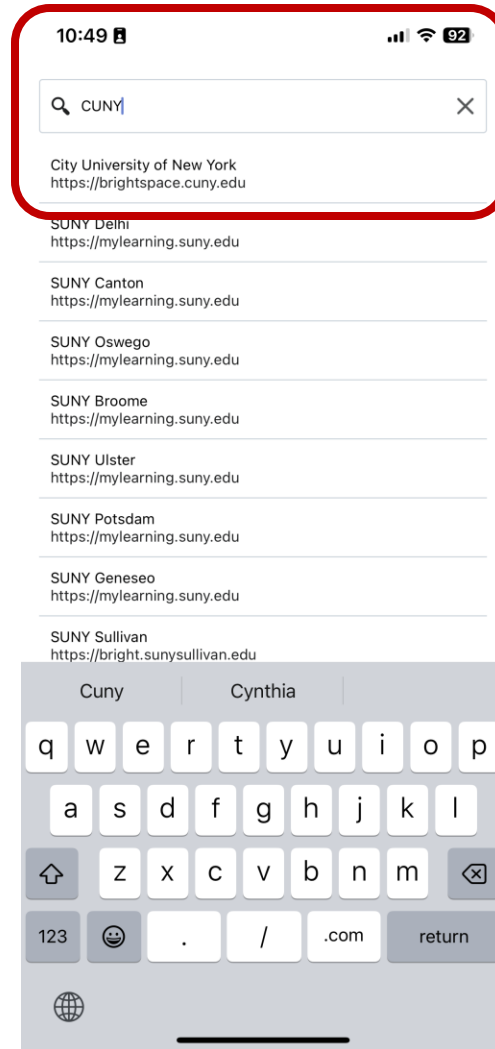
The screenshot shows the Brightspace interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the CUNY logo and the text 'THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK'. Below this is a navigation bar with links for 'Quick Eval', 'Discover', 'Awards', 'Brightspace Help', 'Online Bookstore', and 'CUNY Resources'. A large banner image features the text 'A Degree for Everyone' and 'Welcome to Brightspace!'. Below the banner is a 'My Courses' section with a dropdown menu. Underneath, there are tabs for 'All', 'Pinned', 'Organizations', and 'Sandboxes'. The 'All' tab is selected, showing a grid of course cards. The first card is 'Course Shell - Pablo Avila' (highlighted with a red box). The second card is 'CUNY Effective Online Teaching (Hunter)'. The third card is '2023 Spring Term (1) First Year Seminar for Education EDF 101 542A[45190] (LaGuardia CC)' (highlighted with a red box). Below the grid are three more course cards partially visible.

Let's explore some features!

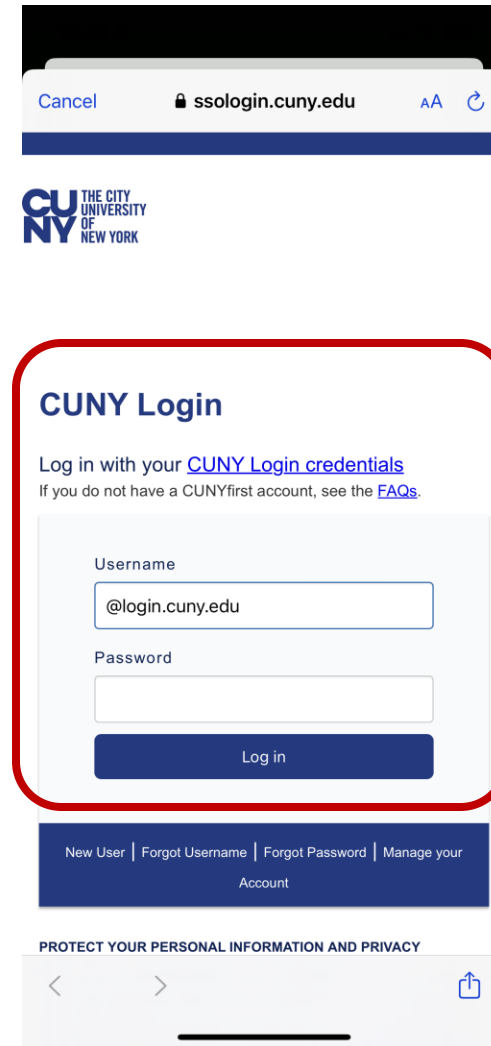
# Brightspace on mobile devices



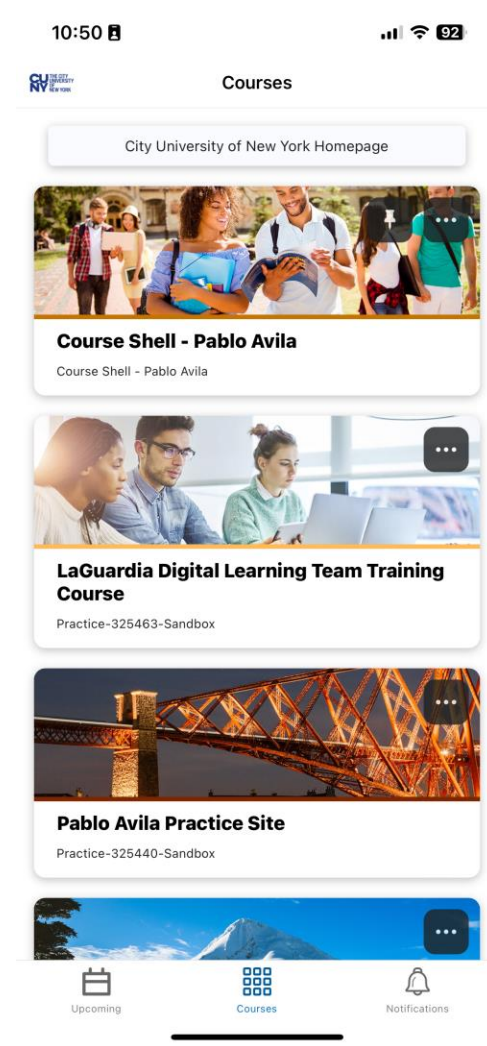
Download the Pulse app



Search for CUNY



Use CUNY login credentials

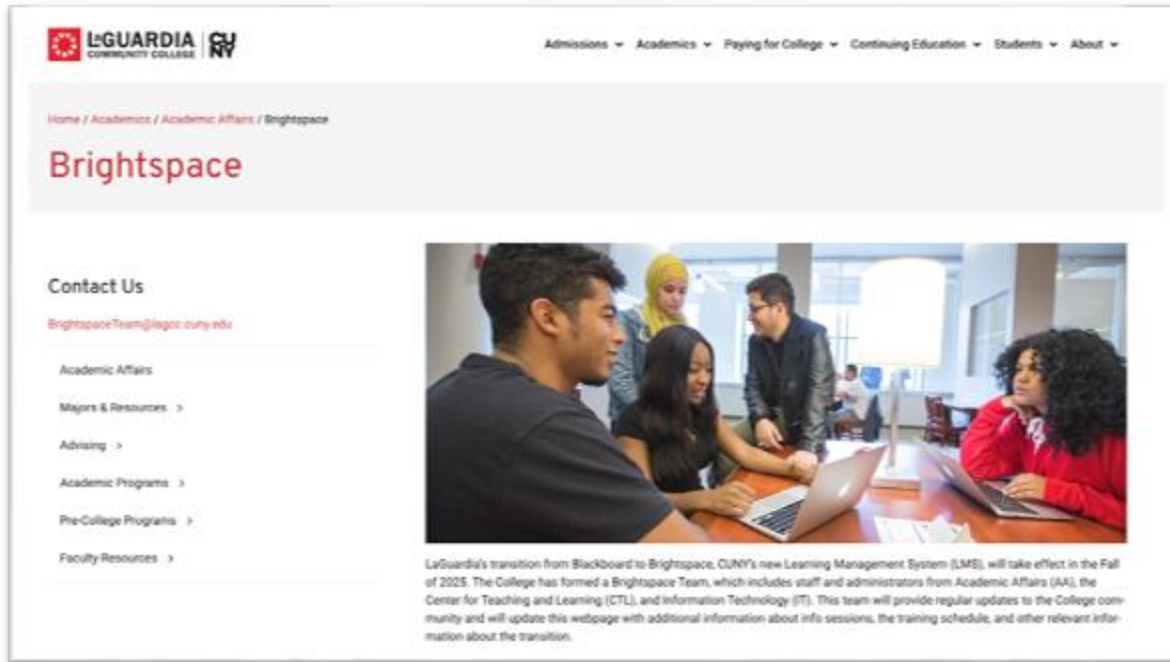


Access courses

## Next steps for faculty

- Continue to check out migration webpage
- Complete our Blackboard survey
- Stay tuned for training starting in Winter of 2025
- Access Brightspace to start exploring the new interface
- Attend CUNY training (optional)

# To learn more, visit



The screenshot shows the LaGuardia Community College website page for Brightspace. The header includes the college logo and navigation links: Admissions, Academics, Paying for College, Continuing Education, Students, and About. The breadcrumb trail reads: Home / Academics / Academic Affairs / Brightspace. The main heading is "Brightspace". On the left, there is a "Contact Us" section with the email address [BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu](mailto:BrightspaceTeam@lagcc.cuny.edu) and a list of links: Academic Affairs, Majors & Resources, Advising, Academic Programs, Pre-College Programs, and Faculty Resources. The main content area features a photograph of a diverse group of students and staff members gathered around a table, looking at laptops. Below the photo, a paragraph of text reads: "LaGuardia's transition from Blackboard to Brightspace, CUNY's new Learning Management System (LMS), will take effect in the Fall of 2025. The College has formed a Brightspace Team, which includes staff and administrators from Academic Affairs (AA), the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL), and Information Technology (IT). This team will provide regular updates to the College community and will update this webpage with additional information about info sessions, the training schedule, and other relevant information about the transition."

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The screenshot shows the CUNY website page for Brightspace. The header includes the CUNY logo and navigation links: Apply, Search, and Menu. The main heading is "Why Brightspace?". Below the heading, a paragraph of text reads: "The transition to a new LMS will enable CUNY to support student learning in both traditional and online courses, deliver engaging learning experiences using modern teaching and learning technology." Below this, there is a section titled "The goals and benefits of transitioning:" followed by a list of five bullet points, each with a yellow checkmark icon: "Provide a comprehensive learning management system that is modern and easy to use for faculty, staff, and students.", "Deliver new capabilities to support teaching and learning across different modalities.", "Support growth in online learning.", "Contribute to student success through advanced analytics.", and "Set a foundation for engaging learning experiences that connect and inform." To the left of the text is a photograph of a man with glasses sitting at a table, looking at a laptop. The laptop has a "Supreme" sticker on it. There is also a blue water bottle with "CUNY" on it on the table.

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## Complete our Blackboard Survey

The transition team has prepared a survey to understand the use of our current LMS, Blackboard, and its features. The responses collected will help the team plan the training of the new LMS Brightspace. Scan the QR code on the right or click on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/y5q5bCDSz0>





**Q&A**

# Thank you

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