Dear Student,

As you know from President Wu’s message of Wednesday, July 15, the vast majority of courses at Baruch College will be offered fully online this fall, with a limited number of courses being offered in hybrid format. CUNYfirst has now been updated to reflect the appropriate mode of delivery for each section.

No courses will be taught fully in-person. Courses will be offered in one of three modalities:

1. Most classes will be offered in **Online Synchronous** format. This means class meetings will take place virtually.

   - **Synchronous** class meetings resemble traditional on campus classes in that students must be (virtually) present at the same time.
   - Students must commit to scheduled class times and sign onto their virtual learning platform on schedule.
   - During these classes, students will engage with the instruction during online lessons and presentations and even have virtual class discussions.
   - **Some instructors may choose to substitute asynchronous work for a portion of the scheduled class meetings; the individual course instructor can provide this information.**
• Assignment deadlines and exam days/times are maintained and included on the class syllabus. All Synchronous class meeting days/times are listed in the schedule of classes.

Synchronous online courses appear like this in the course schedule:

2. Some classes will be offered in **Online Asynchronous** format.

• **Asynchronous** class meetings do not require you to log in to your virtual classroom at a specified time.

• Students do not have to follow a strict schedule to engage in live classes or discussions, and the only requirement regarding when they turn in their work is the assignment deadline, not an arbitrary timeline.

• Assignment deadlines and exam days/times are maintained and included on the class syllabus. Instructors may create non-mandatory opportunities for live interactions with and among students. These courses will no longer have a day and time appearing in the CUNYfirst listing.
Asynchronous online course listings appear like this in the course schedule:

[Image of course schedule]

3. A small number of classes will be offered as Hybrid sections, indicated as such on CUNYfirst.

- A hybrid class includes a combination of online instruction (synchronous or asynchronous) with some in-person class meetings taught face to face in a classroom on campus, with care and attention given to social distancing in the interest of student and faculty health and safety.

Hybrid courses appear like this in the course schedule:
We appreciate your patience as faculty and departments made decisions about course delivery, and as we worked swiftly to update CUNYfirst records accurately for more than 2600 individual sections currently included in the fall schedule.

**Please take time in the next week to check your course schedule in CUNYfirst to see how the courses you have registered for will be delivered.**

Sincerely yours,

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