



The **virtual front desk hours** are Mondays from 10:00am-12:00pm and 2:00pm-4:00pm here: <https://zoom.us/my/kcccareer>. Also, students can visit Room C-102, call (718) 368-5115, or contact us via email at [careerdevelopment@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:careerdevelopment@kbcc.cuny.edu).

## **Community Farm and Garden**

**Volunteer Days and Student Engagement** - We will resume volunteer hours once the new beds and soil are in place. Please follow KCC\_CFG on Instagram for updates or contact [Emily.agosti@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Emily.agosti@kbcc.cuny.edu) to be added to our volunteer mailing list.

Please contact [Emily.agosti@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Emily.agosti@kbcc.cuny.edu) to sign up and [Shannon.caravello@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Shannon.caravello@kbcc.cuny.edu) for faculty questions/research/collaborations.

## **Grants and Awards**

The division's proposal for **Coding for User Experience (UX)** through **CUNY's Upskilling** year-long program was **awarded \$99,000**. The new course, written by one of our long-time instructors, will be specialized in UX and contain foundational coding elements that designers need to know to be more attractive to employers and successful in the workplace. Students will receive training in Visual Design, Human Centered Design, and enhanced Coding for Designers at no cost, live online via Zoom. Students will receive support with job placement, career advancement, and/or applying to college upon successfully completing the program. For eligibility requirements and how to apply, [click here](#).

Another successful **award** in the amount of **\$900,000** by **Equinor/NYC Economic Development Corporation's Offshore Wind Ecosystem Fund** for the [CUNY Offshore Wind Advisory Network \(OWAN\) - Bridges to Offshore Wind](#) program. The CUNY OWAN is a consortium of four CUNY colleges: **Kingsborough**, **LaGuardia**, **College of Staten Island**, and **New York City College of Technology**. **Bridges to Offshore Wind** is an interactive instructional seminar for people interested in learning about the region's offshore wind industry, highlighting each college's unique training in maritime, electrical, construction and manufacturing, assembly, and supply chain management.

## **Program and Partnership Updates**

In collaboration with **Jobs For The Future** (JFF), we will provide [Augmented Reality Training for UX Designers](#). This hybrid program will be provided at **no cost** to students who completed UX Design training, available to meet weekly at the Central Brooklyn Public Library, and be able to participate in a hackathon. Students who complete the program will take the **Meta AR Certificate Exam** and, upon passing, be connected to Meta career program job board.

The **Flex Into UX** program concluded this month. After attending 13 UX Design class sessions between June and August, students participated in a Design-A-Thon. This was the culminating event in collaboration with **Brooklyn Public Library's Business & Career Center** and Kingsborough. The program provided over **90 Brooklyn residents** with the opportunity to

explore careers in user experience (UX) design by attending free classes that were held both online and in person.

The **new UX Upskilling online program** started on October 24, with a cohort of 32 students. The first hour of the session was orientation, where students learned about the college, program instructors, and staff, immediately followed by the first class. The program will end in March 2024. Recruitment for Cohort 2 will start in the next few weeks. Email **Hillary Stackpole** ([Hillary.stackpole@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:Hillary.stackpole@kbcc.cuny.edu)) with any questions.

**ESL/HSE/SNAP**, as a member of the CUNY Consortium, is currently participating in a scheduled audit of its Adult Literacy free ESL grant program. The program provides ESL support and literacy development two evenings per week each semester, from 5:00-10:00 pm.

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**Winter 2024 catalog** will be released in November for courses starting in January 2024. Information sessions are scheduled for November 21<sup>st</sup> and December 19<sup>th</sup>. Links to register for these sessions will be available soon. For more information, please call (718) 368-5050 or contact us via email at [conted@kbcc.cuny.edu](mailto:conted@kbcc.cuny.edu).