

# STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

Weekly Newsletter

January 21, 2019

## Welcome Back

It is our pleasure to welcome you to MassBay for the Spring 2019 semester! We are excited to have both our new and returning students on campus.

MassBay is here to provide each of you multiple opportunities to grow intellectually, personally, and socially. Over the course of the semester, we challenge you to step outside your comfort zone to make the most of your experience at MassBay. Our goal in Student Development is to provide an environment outside the classroom that fosters both personal and continued academic growth.

**New this semester, MassBay is instituting a *common hour* (Mondays & Wednesdays 1-2pm), a dedicated time when students, faculty, and staff can come together as a community to discuss ideas, engage in conversation, attend meetings, and participate in activities. We hope this allocated time will promote further student engagement.**

As you think about the semesters ahead, we would like to offer a few tips to facilitate your success at MassBay:

***Keep Attendance & Participation High:*** Stay active and involved in your classes. Engage in conversations with your fellow students and faculty members.

***Utilize School Resources:*** Visit early and often the Academic Achievement Center, library, computer labs, Career Services, Advising Office, Counseling Services, Veteran's Services, and the many other campus resources available.

***Stay Connected:*** Check your MassBay email daily, know important dates and deadlines, and be aware of events and opportunities on-campus.

***Maintain Balance:*** Make sure to plan out your week by setting time aside for work, family obligations, studying, socializing, extracurricular commitments, and taking care of yourself.

As we begin the new semester, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with the MassBay Student Handbook ([www.massbay.edu/studenthandbook](http://www.massbay.edu/studenthandbook)). It outlines your rights and responsibilities as a student and the code of conduct for which you are held accountable. If you have questions or concerns about your MassBay experience, please feel free to stop by Student Development.

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We truly hope that you will embrace the richness of our diverse community and immerse yourself in all that MassBay has to offer you. We are excited to be on this journey with you!

Sincerely,

**Dr. Elizabeth Blumberg**  
Vice President of Student Development  
& Dean of Students

**Josh Cheney**  
Associate Dean of Students

**\*See the attached calendar for all the events this week, or visit [www.massbay.edu/studentengagement](http://www.massbay.edu/studentengagement)!**

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