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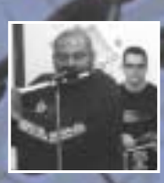

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Business + Technology = Success

Virtual Enterprise Program Has Real Life Impact on New York High School Students

Angelo Cinton and his mother, Marsha Cinton

Monroe College recently honored 86 New York City high school students who participated in the Virtual Enterprise program. This group of carefully selected students all had expressed a desire to learn more about becoming entrepreneurs and business leaders. Participation in this program at Monroe College helps in shaping the students' business education and career choices by offering tuition-free college-level courses.

In order to qualify for the program, students were required to pass all entrance exams in order to receive college credit. The following "before" comments were culled from their admissions essays, and provided insight into some of their expectations. The "after" comments were taken from student surveys upon completion of the courses.

Before

"I want to know what I need to do to get "A's" in college before I go full-time…I want to be somebody in life."

"Neither of my parents and none of my aunts and uncles went to college. My goal is to show my family that by going to college, I can make a difference in my life."

"I have many hopes and aspirations in my life. I know that I need to go to college to realize them."

"I've been looking forward to attending the Virtual Enterprise Program for a long time. I plan to attend all of the classes because I want to gain as much information as I can."

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Monroe Takes First Place in SIFE Competition

Members of the New Rochelle Accounting, Business and Computer Club participated in the Northeast Division league competition of the SIFE organization on April 9 in Hartford, Connecticut. SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) is a national program, funded by individual corporations, which encourages college students to organize volunteer projects that are business and community related.

The students who competed in the four-year program were awarded First Place and Rookie of the Year. The students who competed in the two-year program won Second Runner-Up.

Over the past year, the club has been involved with several projects, including tutoring high school students through the Gear-Up Program, working with the elderly to improve their computer skills, and organizing after-school projects at the Boys and Girls Club in New Rochelle.

Accounting professor Max Torres is the advisor and founder of the club, and was

presented with the Sam M. Walton Free Enterprise Fellowship Award for his commitment to this outstanding program. J. Rubino and Omar Small assist in the program as well.

The entire Monroe College community congratulates our SIFE student members and extends its best wishes as the Bachelor team competes nationally in Kansas City the week of May 13.

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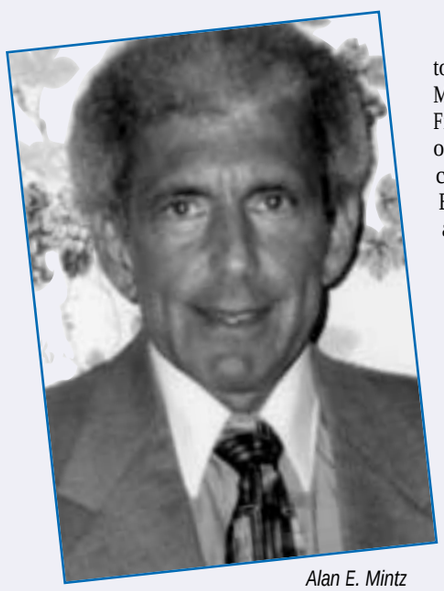
President Stephen Jerome takes pleasure in announcing the following staff title changes:

Ted Goldstein, formerly Director of the Bachelor's Degree Program, has been promoted to Dean. Dean Goldstein has been associated with Monroe since 1984, when he began teaching psychology courses in the associate program. His talents as an administrator were recognized even then, when he was asked by President Jerome to assume the additional responsibility of Weekend College Supervisor.

Dean Goldstein has headed the Bachelor Degree Program since 1997, and has been involved in all phases of program administration, including admissions, academic and student services, regulatory compliance, budgeting, staff and faculty supervision. Under his leadership, the Bachelor division has become a vital component of the college.

Ted Goldstein



Alan E. Mintz

Alan E. Mintz, CPA, has been promoted to the position of Vice President of Finance. Mr. Mintz first joined Monroe in 1994 as Chief Financial Officer and is responsible for overseeing areas of the college related to both campus and student finances, including the Bursar, long-term financing, leasing, payroll, and benefit programs.

Prior to joining Monroe, Mr. Mintz was affiliated with the accounting firms of BDO Seidman and Eisner & Lubin, and also served as Senior Vice President of a leading apparel manufacturer.

Mr. Mintz is a licensed CPA in New York and New Jersey.

Please join with President Jerome in congratulating both gentlemen.

Speaking of the holiday spirit,

it's not too late to acknowledge the generosity of Monroe staff and faculty. Every year a raffle is held at Monroe to raise funds for a worthy local charity. This year's recipient, the Starlight Foundation of NY/NJ/CT, received a check for $3,500 towards the services it provides to children who are chronically or terminally ill.

Grateful Monroe Alumnus Promotes Scholarship Program

James Clarkson is a Monroe College graduate and an enthusiastic booster of the college. He attributes his recent successes to the education he received at Monroe and to the contacts he made along the way, one of which, a classmate, recommended him for his current job at Morgan Stanley Dean Witter as an analyst of mutual funds.

James, 28, is also a scholar, a fighter, a survivor, and, fortunately, someone who runs late on occasion. In reverse order: On September 11th, he was getting ready to head to his office at the World Trade Center when he heard the terrible news about the first plane crash into Tower One.

Beyond the obvious, his survival skills also extend to his life prior to September 11th. "I was always an excellent student in high school and I took many ESP (advanced placement) courses," says James. "But in my senior year, I had to drop out and get a job to support myself financially." What followed were a string of dead end, low-paying jobs, about the best that he could hope for without having a college education or even a high school diploma.

Enter Monroe. With Monroe's participation in the state's GED to college program, James was able to complete his high school requirements while simultaneously getting started on his Associate's and, ultimately, Bachelor's degrees in Accounting. He also held down two jobs during the process. So having "been there/done that," James is eager to make it a bit easier for college-bound high school seniors by actively promoting a scholarship essay competition sponsored by his lodge. James' community involvement also includes having assisted the lodge in organizing a successful Christmas Basket drive of toys and gifts for disadvantaged neighborhood children.

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After

"Before I came to Monroe, I thought college was a place where the teachers were mean and not caring about their students. After attending classes here on Saturday mornings, I realized I was wrong. I saw what college was all about and I liked it. I feel that was personal growth."

"Very valuable. I was able to earn three college credits even before entering college, saving money in my pocket."

"I wanted to learn how to master Excel. And with an excellent teacher, I did. Plus, I learned how to set up a Web site."

"Valuable all the way! I was even able to teach my father some new skills!"

"Hard work always pays off and sacrificing my Saturday mornings for a few weeks and studying more everyday will definitely pay off in the future."

"Very informative and fun."

"Very valuable. A free course taught at an excellent college. Anywhere else I would have had to pay for this experience."

"On a scale of one to ten, I would give this course a ten."

"This course was very informative and interesting because it opened my eyes to a career that I now want to pursue."

The experience was an eye-opener for many of the young men and women as to the importance of attending college and studying hard. Vice President Marc Jerome welcomed the students to an awards ceremony held in their honor earlier this semester. "You are the chosen few," he told them. "You were chosen by your guidance counselors to take the entrance exam, to take the courses. But you still had to come here on your own. You had to give up your Saturdays. You had to stick with it. And tonight, you have three college credits as your reward. Congratulations."

Emmanuel Onyenyil, a junior at Evander Childs High School in Bronx, is an international student, the son of diplomats from Nigeria and Italy. He studied Introduction to Business. "It gave me an opportunity to receive material that I normally wouldn't get in high school," said the soccer and track athlete, debate team member and class president.

And Idanis Pagan, a senior at Lehman High School who studied International Business, liked the freedom that differentiates college from high school. "I didn't have to go to the same class everyday and I was more independent." He also admitted that, since attending Monroe, he has taken up reading *The New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal*!

Angelo Cinton, who studied Introduction to Business, was surprised that, "I could talk to the professors and communicate with them." Accompanied by his mother, Marsha, to the awards ceremony, she said: "I was proud that he did this on his own." And it showed.

"Taste of Bayside"

Turns into a True Hospitality 101 Experience.

Fenton Bradford and Chinue Thompson, Hospitality Management

The ability to comprehend hospitality skills and grow in the industry at an entry level necessitates having both classroom and practical hands-on training. A "Taste of Bayside," organized by Associate Academic Dean Carol Genese, afforded us this experience.

Held at Queensboro Community College, the event was attended by over 200 people from all walks of life who paid $30 per person in support of the World Trade Center Fund. Besides having generous hearts, the audience also had a knowledge of foods and a generous appetite for the smorgasbord of cuisines prepared by 25 Bayside-area restaurants, including Italian, Japanese, and French, to name a few.

Fenton Bradford and Chinue Thompson are first year Hospitality Management students. Chinue served as wait staff and Fenton poured wines donated by Robert Mondavi Wineries.

The food was served in large portions and prepared and presented in a mouthwatering fashion. But as all hospitality professionals know, great food alone is not enough and ambiance can be equally as important. At a "Taste of Bayside," the setup of the food service areas allowed for interaction among attendees. The entertainment provided was festive enough to inspire singing and dancing to favorite songs. And, of course, the service provided by the Monroe College Hospitality Management students, in particular, was courteous and informative as attendees asked questions about food preparation methods and recipes.

Besides raising funds for a worthy cause, each restaurant participating in the event was presented with an exciting environment in which to showcase the best from their restaurants' kitchens. For students such as ourselves, the experience allowed us to put into practice the four key elements that define outstanding food and beverage operations: serving quality food; providing a great ambiance for dining and entertainment; providing excellent service; and delivering maximum value for the diners' money.

ALUMNI PROFILE:

Sharon Higgins, a "Bronx Initiative"

By Jason Brown

Less than three years after graduating with honors from Monroe College with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Sharon Higgins is dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others through her burgeoning career of public service.

Currently working at the Bronx District Attorney's Office in the heart of the South Bronx, Sharon, 33, is within a stone's throw of the Grand Concourse, Yankee Stadium and her home. From this post, Higgins serves as the Deputy Director of the Bronx Initiative Corp. at the Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation. It is the goal of her department to see the Bronx rise in stature as more and more significant businesses sprout and flourish in the community providing economic stability and employment opportunities.

"Specifically, my job is to facilitate the awarding of Federal Small Business Administration (SBA) loan packages to small businesses right here in the Bronx," said Sharon. For example, she is currently working with an existing company in the Bronx that, if awarded an SBA loan, will use the money to help retain existing jobs, create new ones, and renovate and expand its facility.

Sharon got her feet wet in politics soon after completing her Bachelor's degree in August 1999. "I was in-between jobs and went to Monroe's Career Services Office. Dean Ted Goldstein also helped me through the process of finding a job. I told him that I was switching my major and thinking about going into government. So one day he came to me and said that City Councilman Adolfo Carrion was looking for someone in his office and would I be interested. I got my first career break through Monroe College," beamed Sharon.

As Director of District Operations, Sharon oversaw a staff that carried out the daily tasks of Mr. Carrion's district office. An excellent public speaker, she also at times represented the Councilman at public community meetings and events. It was in this capacity that Sharon further ventured into public service, acting as a liaison with local community groups seeking various initiatives. When Mr. Carrion was elected Bronx Borough President, in November, Sharon rode along on the coattails of his success and into her current position.

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Message from President Stephen Jerome…

The Winter 2002 semester is nearing its end and, as always, exciting changes are taking place at both campuses. This semester, in the Bronx, we opened a new building, West Hall, growing the campus to five major buildings. In New Rochelle, we officially opened the new Learning Center and Library, and acquired the 1.5-acre former site of the Librett's Hardware Company. Architects are already at work developing plans for converting the 20,000-sq. ft. building into additional classrooms and offices.

As new degree programs continue to be developed, and new technology is acquired, I am pleased that our campus facilities continue to grow as well.

Our increased enrollment for the Winter 2002 semester reflects the changes taking place in our economy. As our country experiences a downturn, a college degree becomes critical, and more individuals are making the wise choice to give themselves the valuable gift of education. We are also experiencing an increase in the number of our bachelor graduates who have good jobs and are returning to take advanced classes in order to keep current with all aspects of business and technology. Our application rate for September 2002 among high school seniors is steadily growing as well.

The caliber of our student body also continues to rise. The majority of our students juggle the responsibilities of working full-time, attending classes full-time, and raising families. We have not seen this on such a wide-scale basis since World War II.

As I walk throughout the college, I am proud of the job that is done by our faculty and staff. We work hard to create an environment that is friendly and warm, and I am pleased to see so many of our students with smiles on their faces.

You have made the right choice to attend Monroe College. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the appropriate individuals. We are committed to having you succeed.

Warmest Regards,

Stephen J. Jerome
President

Are you Totally *Cool* for your Interview?

In preparing our graduates for the transition from classroom to employment, the Career Services Office is cautioning that the casualness of the 1990s has given way to a more formal workplace and especially, job interview environment.

According to an article in *The New York Times*, February 17th, ("Attention, Totally Awesome: At Job Interviews, Like, Chill", by David Koeppel), "Talk peppered with the words 'like,' 'you know,' 'totally' and 'cool' annoy some interviewers so much that they automatically reject the job candidate. 'I interviewed a woman whose every other word was 'like,' said Daniel Biederman, executive director of the Bryant Park Restoration Corporation. 'If I had been rude, I would have terminated the interview.'"

Other vernacular pet peeves with hiring managers quoted in the article:

- "No problem" substituted for "you're welcome"
- Ending most sentences with "and stuff"
- Valley speak: "awesome", "bummer," "like," "you know," "totally," "cool"

If this sounds like you, take note. Practice your job interview with a Career Services counselor, tape it on either video or audio, and review it several times in order to refine your presentation. Also, consider the following advice, courtesy of the Indiana Education Information Center.

Entry-Level Jobs

Communication Skills (Can you…?)

- Read instruction booklets, company policies, rules and announcements?
- Write short memos and notes?
- Listen carefully and understand what others tell you?
- Explain tasks and problems to your supervisors and other employees?

Mathematical Skills (Can you…?)

- Add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers?
- Calculate fractions and percentages?
- Apply geometric concepts?

Mid-Level Jobs

Communication Skills (Can you…?)

- Read and understand government guidelines, state reports and management directives?
- Understand charts, graphs and diagrams?
- Write employee reports and job summaries?
- Outline complex problems and procedures?
- Outline new ideas and present specific support for those ideas?
- Restate the main points of problems and generate solutions orally in a clear and concise manner?

Mathematical Skills (Can you…?)

- Use algebra, geometry and basic statistics?
- Choose correct mathematical techniques to solve problems?

Computer Skills (Can you…?)

- Use the keyboard?
- Use word processing?
- Use spreadsheet operations?

Problem Solving/Decision Making (Can you…?)

- Listen carefully in order to understand the nature of problems?
- Summarize the major points to determine the cause of the problem?
- Generate a number of solutions and decide on the solution that seems best?
- Decide what tools would be helpful in finding a solution?

Management Positions

Management positions may require the individual to enforce a budget, make records of expenses, and adapt to the financial restraints within the company. Other management concerns could be finding a way to keep track of data, while maintaining continuity and organization in the office. Furthermore, you may be asked to use spreadsheets and deliver presentations in front of large groups, often using presentation programs, such as PowerPoint.

IBM Awards Monroe Students

IBM presented the Computer Information Sciences department with a check in the amount of $1,000, which will be utilized to grant scholarships to three Monroe students. The recipients were chosen based on GPA and total number of credits. Four Bachelor and four associate students were selected and asked to submit an essay based on a particular topic. The winners, who were announced at the President's and Dean's Reception on March 1st are: AAS students Tammeria Parks and Armount Joseph and BBA student Julio Alvarado.

Gersom Lopez, Director of International Student Admissions for Monroe College is flanked by James Walsh, Executive Director of CCCJ, on his left, and Dahlia Repole, Vice-Chairperson of the CCCJ, on his right. The occasion was the signing of an academic credit articulation agreement between Monroe and the Jamaican umbrella organization that represents eight local community colleges.

Alumni and current students enjoyed lots of laughs at a recent outing of the New Rochelle Alumni Association at Center Stage at New Roc City, located directly across the street from Monroe's New Rochelle campus. Pictured left to right are: Belinda Phifer, Information Systems, June 2002; Kelli Kearns, Computer Science, June 2002; Carl White, Computer Science, 1999 and Information Systems, June 200; and Tammy Snowden, Computer Science, 1994.

New Rochelle Mayor Tim Idoni presided over the official opening of the New Rochelle Learning Center and Library. Also pictured are: City Councilwoman M. Christine Selin; Westchester County Legislator and Tuckahoe High School Guidance Counselor Vito Pinto; Vice President Marc Jerome; and his Administrative Assistant Mary Ann O'Brien.

New Rochelle students march in the Thanksgiving Day Parade.

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Monroe Honors Top Students

The honoree achieved a 3.70 - 4.00 for the President's and 3.40 - 3.69 for the Dean's List.

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Michael Jernegons
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Virginia La Manna
Felicia Leary
Robertha Lee
Sean Lee
Jenaae Long
Odelie McLean
Catherine Miller
Mwape Musambachime
Richard Ngoye
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Kalyani Polaggari
Devon Stewart
Martin Thomas
Maxine Thompson
Michael Thompson
Faresa Williams
Sophia Yona
Imad Zoubaa

New Rochelle
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Ian Bansie
Amanda Benton
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Audette Brooks
Charles Brown
Olive Brudy
Clifton Burte
Monique Carter
Yi-Yu Chiou
Phyllis Collins
Nadine Crewe
Wilhemina Dekock-Tuasela
Tracy-Ann Denton
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Zoila Ventura
Tanielle Wilson
Tenaye Wolde
Martha Yerovi

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Boswell Allen
Dionne Anderson
Kings Ankrah
Ana Aquino
Gail Arthur
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Ingrid Ayala
Chernor Bah
Nere Basora
Tyesha Bellamy
Mabreco Bowley
Janice Broadie
Afia Brown
Garner Buckley
Jennifer Calderon
Leighton Campbell
Marvel Campbell
Nichelo Campbell
Francisco Caraballo
Nancy Caro
Joshua Carter
Esser Charles
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Paulette Gayle
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Shenequa McQueen
Ruth Mejia
Cynthia Melendez
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Mohammed Murad
Mamadou Ndiaye
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Omolola Osunfisan
Junytza Pagan
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Albizu Palomo
Tammeria Parks
Dinean Payne
Brunilda Perez
Carmen Perez
Amelia Pleasant
Jessenia Ramirez
Sharifa Richardson
Michelle Rivera
Cristine Rodriguez
Daniel Rodriguez
Melody Rodriguez
Peter Rodriguez
Sandra Rodriguez
Crystal Russell
Latesha Rutland
Cheryl Sablon
Yesenia Santana
Valentina Santana
Amy Santiago
Francisco Santiago
Jordania Sarita
Pauline Scarlett
Shonteya Sharp
Tara Shillingford
Sharonda Sierra
Arlene Sill
Annette Sindass
Patricia Smith
Sharmane Smith
Theresita Smith
Upton Sterling
O'Neil Taylor
Sally Tenorio
Oratio Thomas
Audi Thompson
Steve Torres
Laura Valentine
Julissa Valerio
Yaritza Vargas
Juanita Velazquez
Deloris Wade
Elizabeth Wilkerson
Billy Williams
Leonie Williams
Janelle Yearwood

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Elizabeth Arzola
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Moustapha Boukari
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Yavuz Cokgoren
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Diana Crews-Hewitt
David Dawson
Zhanxi Deng
Fatoumata Diallo
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Shonte Eley
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Deserie Robinson
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Ramon Rosario
Suezann Rudder
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Sadik Sejdaj
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Ramjit Sookdeo
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Maria Soto
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Uranus Temple
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Kim Hoa Tran
Hsiu-Chu Tsai
Christopher Tucker
Fiona Vaughans
Claudine Vazquez
Mayra Vergeli
Joyce Washington
Tamika Watson
Karen West
Jemel Williams
Mao Yan Wu
Feng Xi
Audrey Zabriskie
Angelique Zalaznick
Saad Zaman

Mustangs Head to Playoffs...

the Ladies ...

The Lady Mustangs headed to the playoffs, with a season record of 12 – 10. They lost to Westchester Community College, but finished the season with a ranking of third best defensive team in Region XV.

Under the leadership of Coach Seth Goodman and Assistant Coach James McCormack, the team was voted second by Region XV officials for best sportsmanship. Some highlights include: Jewel Joachim – averaged 16.6 points per game and had best 3-point shooting average by an individual player in the region; and Sumika Whitmore – 3rd in field goal percentage in the region.

The entire Monroe College community congratulates our men and women athletes for an exciting season . . . see you next year!!

the Men ...

The 2001-02 season has been one of reorganization for Coach Charles Jackson. Suiting up only three returning sophomores from last year's squad, the Mustangs finished regular season play with a record of 11 – 18 in the NJCAA Region XV Division I.

Monroe's stellar backcourt comprised of freshmen starters Rahssan Simmons and Charles Boyd, gives Coach Jackson plenty of reasons to be optimistic about his team. Simmons, a shooting guard from Ossining, NY, leads the team in scoring with an average of 13 points per game. Boyd, a point guard hailing from New Jersey, has served well as the team's floor general averaging 10 points and 3 assists per game.

The Mustangs ended the season second in their region, and advanced to the district playoffs. They were victorious over Champlain Community College (Vermont) but lost in a hard-fought battle against Allegany Community College (Maryland).

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Keith Marx and his band performed at a coffee house by arrangement of Professor Spalter at the New Rochelle campus.

Santa visited both Monroe campuses bringing holiday joy to children of all ages!!

President Stephen Jerome is once again conducting his seminar entitled “Life Skills for the 21st Century.” Offered several times each semester at both the Bronx and New Rochelle campuses, topics for discussion include: stock market investments; fringe benefits; financial planning; wills; auto leasing vs. purchasing; and 401(k) plans.

Asked why he finds it important to offer this seminar, President Jerome responded, “It took me many years of experience within the business world to amass this information. I wish someone had taken the time to share it with me when I was younger. . .I would have done some things differently.”

Dates for sessions during the Spring semester will be posted in Student Services.

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Upon arriving from her homeland of Kingston, Jamaica in 1994, Sharon quickly became a classic Monroe success story. "I was looking for something that was very flexible," said Sharon, "somewhere I could work full-time and go to school full-time. I chose Monroe College." She began by earning an Associate degree in Business Administration in May of 1998.

Now a Master’s of Public Administration degree candidate at Baruch College, Sharon abides by a fundamental Monroe College credo of continuing education. "I’m working on going into not-for-profit or government contracting and I need this degree to help me realize this goal," she said.

"Monroe is hands-on," she added. "When I graduated, I was ready to meet the work force. Everything that I learned in the classroom I could apply on the job. I was able to be competitive out there; I was on par with the candidates from the best schools."