

Weekly news & updates

Bronx Business Tech Incubator

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We are excited to announce that **SciGence**, a member of the Bronx Business Tech Incubator, has been selected to compete in the Bronx Economic Development Corporation's BX-Factor business pitch challenge.

As one of five businesses chosen, **SciGence** will compete for a \$10,000 grant to fund the development of their virtual reality based training and certification platform.

Lehman College in partnership with Cannabis Workforce Initiative offers a free 15 Hour Certificate Career Exploration and Worker Rights Program.



LEHMAN COLLEGE Cannabis Workforce Initiative

CURIOUS ABOUT A CAREER IN CANNABIS BUT DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

Cannabis Career Exploration and Worker Rights Certificate: 15 Hour Course

Participants completing the program will come away with a general understanding of the cannabis market, processes from seed to sale, jobs available throughout the industry, and worker protections under labor and employment laws and New York's Marihuana Regulation and Taxation Act (MRTA). More specifically, the program will help job seekers be better prepared for success in entry-level job interviews in the industry.

SESSION 1 The Legalization of Cannabis	SESSION 2 Industry Overview & the Cannabis Plant
SESSION 3 Jobs in Extraction & Manufacturing	SESSION 4 Know your Rights & Responsibilities
SESSION 5 Marketing, Branding, Packaging & Labeling in Cannabis	SESSION 6 Working in a Dispensary
SESSION 7 Seed-to-sale Compliance	SESSION 8 Health & Safety in the Cannabis Industry
SESSION 9 Discrimination & Harassment	SESSION 10 Beyond the Bud: Ancillary Opportunities in the Cannabis Industry

Lehman students can earn one elective credit by completing this certificate course.

SCAN TO REGISTER OR VISIT [CANNABISWORKFORCE.ORG/LEHMAN-COLLEGE-PORTAL](https://cannabisworkforce.org/lehman-college-portal)

Lehman students can earn one elective credit by completing this certificate course. CWI's cannabis career exploration and worker rights trainings cover:

- The variety of jobs across the supply chain and in ancillary businesses.
- An overview understanding of the cannabis plant at the core of the industry.
- Your rights at work.
- The seed-to-sale context for different job opportunities.

More information
Register Now!

New York State Office of Cannabis Management in partnership with CUNY on the Concourse/Lehman College

strategies specifically designed for Black female entrepreneurs and their allies. Your ticket will allow you to connect with a dynamic community of over 1,500 inspiring founders, making it one of the largest gatherings of diverse women in tech globally. [Register Here](#)

Join the *Bronx Chamber of Commerce* for an evening of networking on Arthur Avenue (the *real* Little Italy of NYC) to close out Small Business Month!

Thursday, May 30, 6PM - 8PM

Location: Pasquale's Rigoletto. 2311 Arthur Avenue Bronx, NY 10458

Tickets: **\$25** for Members / **\$30** for Non-Members

[Register Here](#)

LEHMAN COLLEGE - ADULT DEGREE PROGRAM

FROM DEGREES.....TO JOBS!

Is It Time For You To Go Back To School? Would a Bachelor's or Master's Degree Enhance Your Career?

Visit: www.lehman.edu/adult

Call: 718-960-8666

Email: adult.degree@lehman.cuny.edu

[Learn More!](#)



Job Opportunities

The School of Continuing and Professional Studies at Lehman College has several job openings:

1. Water Safety Instructors (WSI) P/T - [Apply Here](#)
2. Lifeguard - [Apply Here](#)
3. Nursing Instructor - [Apply Here](#)
4. Summer Camp Instructors P/T - [Apply Here](#)
5. Unity Certified Instructor P/T - [Apply Here](#)
6. SBDC Office Manager - [Apply Here](#)
7. Instructor & Program Coordinator: Accounting & Tax P/T
White Plains, NY - [Apply Here](#)
The Bronx, NY - [Apply Here](#)

Funding opportunities, including grants, loans, crowdfunding, and lines of credit please refer to the below links:

- [NYC Funds Finder \(nextstreet.com\)](http://nyc.fundsfinder.com)
- grants.gov
- [Home - WomensNet | Grants for Women in Business | Small Business Grants \(ambergrantsforwomen.com\)](http://Home-WomensNet.org)
- [Apply for a Kiva US loan | Kiva](http://ApplyforaKivaUSloan.com)
- [Our Business Loans — The Bronx Economic Development Corporation \(BXEDC\)](http://OurBusinessLoans.com)
- [New York Forward Loan Fund \(nyloanfund.com\)](http://NewYorkForwardLoanFund.com)
- [7\(a\) loans | U.S. Small Business Administration \(sba.gov\)](http://7(a)loans.gov)
- [Small Business Loans – GJDC](http://SmallBusinessLoans.com)
- [Harlem Entrepreneurial Fund \(hefnyc.org\)](http://HarlemEntrepreneurialFund.com)
- [Products \(ascendus.org\)](http://Products.ascendus.org)
- [Fair, Affordable Small Business Loans - Pursuit \(pursuitlending.com\)](http://FairAffordableSmallBusinessLoans.com)
- [Affordable Loan Capital Service from Renaissance Economic Development Corporation \(REDC\) \(renaissancesbs.org\)](http://AffordableLoanCapitalService.com)
- [Hebrew Free Loan Society \(HFLS\) | Interest-free Loans for Those In Need](http://HebrewFreeLoanSociety.com)
- [Lendistry | Small Business Lending](http://Lendistry.com)
- [Accompany Capital](http://AccompanyCapital.com)

About Us

The Bronx Business Tech Incubator

(BBTI) is supported by the New York City Council and New York City Economic Development Corporation as a startup incubator for tech freelancers, local small business, and entrepreneurs. Our mission is to help startup companies and entrepreneurs to build successful companies, which in turn creates more job opportunities and drives new innovation and technology development in the Bronx. With the technological infrastructure and the resources of CUNY community, the Bronx Business Tech Incubator provides an environment for companies to turn innovative ideas into profitable realities.

The purpose of this newsletter is to share with you information about free events that will help your business as well as resources about

Small Business Development Center - Bronx

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in the Bronx has been situated on the Lehman College campus since 2000 and has been a driving force in empowering small businesses.

For over 30 years our longstanding commitment to the New York business community has resulted in achieving numerous goals and positively impacting thousands of lives. Whether you're at the initial stages of starting a new venture or your business is poised for expansion, the Bronx SBDC is here to support you every step of the way.

For more information about our services and how we can tailor our expertise to your unique business needs, please [visit our website](#).

More Information on our website

funding and more!

¡Atención Negocios de Habla Hispana!

Si desea tener asistencia técnica personalizada acerca de las ayudas disponibles para los propietarios de negocios, u otro tema que necesite establecer para hacer crecer su negocio, puede solicitar una cita de consejería en español e inglés aquí **Bronx SBDC**. Si aún no es cliente de SBDC, solicite una cita llenando el formulario SBA 641.

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