




To: Tom Harbison
From: Erwin J. Wong 
Subject: Tom Harbison, Letter of Support
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Nomination of Thomas Harbison

HETS Learning Technologies Leadership Academy (H-LTLA): Summer Edition

Nominator: Provost & Senior Vice President Erwin J. Wong

Thomas Harbison is the Director of the Digital Education Center at BMCC. Under his direction Digital Education provides assistance to faculty to support online teaching and learning, guidance to faculty and students about how to use instructional technology, and assistance with instruction and curriculum design. As the leader of Digital Education, Tom supervises two Learning Experience Designers and two IT Academic Technology Specialists. In addition, Tom has a leadership role in the oversight and coordination of work being done at BMCC in collaboration with CUNY Online to design fully asynchronous degree programs. Tom is also part of the BMCC team that is expanding online degree program offerings, reworking BMCC support services to ensure they are available fully online, and developing a website that clearly reflects more than 20 fully online degree programs, academic and student support services, and a seamless entrance into the college for online study.

Tom is uniquely qualified to participate in the H-LTLA based on his leadership role at the college and at CUNY, his experience as and learning experience designer, and his knowledge of instructional design, instructional technology and his partnership with the college's Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence to provide professional development to faculty across the curriculum.

Tom will not only benefit personally from participating in the H-LTLA, he will also share what he learns with the Digital Education Team who will then share what they learned with BMCC faculty exponentially increasing the impact across BMCC.

We are very excited to be able to offer this opportunity to Tom and are confident that his participation will assist us in addressing knowledge gaps in his expertise and experience ultimately increasing BMCC's ability to address the challenges of providing online learning to a diverse, multi-lingual student population.