# CUNY Baccalaureate for Unique and Interdisciplinary Studies Student Showcase FAQs

#### What is the Student Showcase?

This annual event is an opportunity for current CUNY BA students to showcase their incredible work to members of the CUNY community. In doing so, students can demonstrate the uniqueness of CUNY BA students, who represent a mosaic of areas of study that are rarely (if ever) found at the undergraduate level. This event is also an important professional development experience for the individual presenters, is a platform for students to share their work, and will offer a greater sense of community for members of the CUNY BA program.

## What type of project can I submit?

You can submit any type of project that you are working on - a research project, a performance piece, an art piece - as long as:

- the project is completed or close to being completed (so that it will be ready to present well before the date of the showcase),
- you can present it in a brief and digestible online format at the showcase, and
- the project is being supervised by a faculty member.

#### Who qualifies as a faculty supervisor of the project?

Any faculty member (full time or adjunct) can be listed as the faculty supervisor of the project. This includes your CUNY BA faculty mentor, another CUNY faculty member, or a non-CUNY faculty member.

### What is the format of the individual presentations?

The 2022 Student Showcase will be held online. Each student will deliver a brief (5 to 10 minute) talk/presentation of their project, followed by 2 minutes for Q&A. The format of the presentation can be tailored to your unique project (e.g., dance performance, artwork, etc.), as long as it can be presented online within the allotted time frame. If you have additional questions about this, or would like to propose an idea for how you present your project, please contact the CUNY BA Fellows at fellows@cunyba.cuny.edu.

See examples of past presentations from the <u>Inaugural Student Showcase</u> in 2020 and the <u>Second Annual Student Showcase</u> in 2021.

# If my project is accepted for the Student Showcase, how can I make sure that I am prepared?

If your project is accepted, the CUNY BA Fellows will provide guidance and feedback to help you prepare your presentation for the showcase. Our team will host Spring workshops on public speaking and designing presentation slides, and help you practice your talk, ensuring each presentation is well-prepared and polished by the time of the event.

#### How do I apply for the Student Showcase?

You can apply through our online application portal <a href="here">here</a>. The application has two parts to fill out, Part I (General Application Information) and Part II (Showcase Project Information). We encourage you to fill out the contact information in Part I early so we can stay in touch with you during the application process and provide any assistance as needed. Focus on clarity while writing your application and make sure you aptly describe your project.

#### What is the timeline for submissions to the Student Showcase?

The deadline to submit your application is **Friday**, **February 4**, **2022**. The Showcase will be held on **Wednesday**, **May 11**, **2022**.

#### Who should I contact if I have additional questions?

If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the CUNY BA Fellows email account at <a href="mailto:fellows@cunyba.cuny.edu">fellows@cunyba.cuny.edu</a>.