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City Tech Hosts Event Introducing the CUNY Haitian Studies Institute

Brooklyn, NY—October 1, 2015—City Tech will host "Images of Haiti in US Society," an event to introduce and promote the establishment of the CUNY Haitian Studies Institute (HSI), which is dedicated to the production and dissemination of knowledge through interdisciplinary research and critical analysis about Haitian life in the diaspora and in Haiti, on Thursday, October 15, in the Atrium Amphitheater, 300 Jay Street, Downtown Brooklyn, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Speakers include faculty from across the CUNY community, as well as City Tech President Russell Hotzler and Provost Bonne August. City Tech and York College students involved in the CUNY Haiti initiative will also make presentations.

Professor Frantz Leconte, from Kingsborough Community College's Department of Foreign Languages, will present the keynote address, "Haiti: A Quest for Salvation." The Honorable Rodneyse Bichotte, New York State Assembly Member, and the Honorable Mathieu Eugene, New York City Council Member, will be present at the event.

The event will conclude with a lunch of Haitian cuisine served in City Tech's Janet Lefler Dining Room.

The mission of the Haitian Studies Institute is to contribute to the advancement of the intellectual field of Haitian studies through interdisciplinary research and practice. The HIS will facilitate community outreach and collaboration with emerging scholars, university professors and students, public school teachers, and educational agencies conducting research and/or serving Haitian populations and other diasporic peoples. In addition, the HIS will engage in policy analyses and research practice in order to guide policy formulation and program directed at the Haitian community and similar ethnic communities.

For more information about the event, please contact Professor Jean Franer Claude at 718.260.5645 or jjclaud@citytech.cuny.edu

If interested in attending, please RSVP at:

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