The People’s United Center for Women & Business marked a momentous year of skill-building workshops, motivational events and networking opportunities. The center continues to engage with a dynamic community of women at all stages of work and life. Together, this unique partnership helps women achieve their professional goals and share their wisdom and experiences with each other.

556
Total attendees for the People’s United Center for Women & Business events

36,392
Organic impressions garnered by the People’s United Center for Women & Business on LinkedIn since June 2020

852
Registrants for the People’s United Center for Women & Business events

61
Industries engaging with the People’s United Center for Women & Business LinkedIn content

130
New Instagram followers for People’s United centers accounts

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BUILDING BRIDGES BY BUILDING COLLABORATION

The People’s United Center for Women & Business (PUCWB), under the leadership of co-directors and professors Julia Fullick-Jagiela and Kiku Jones, hosted a variety of strategic events over the last year focused on empowering women in the workplace, improving self-awareness and building resilience while preparing for the future. These transformative programs included the PUCWB Women of Color Professional Development Series, salary negotiation workshops presented with other university partners, the inaugural Eileen Peters Farley ’68 Endowed Speaker Series, the first Women of Influence Awards, and a fireside chat with Hamden Mayor Lauren Garrett, Quinnipiac President Judy Olian and School of Business Dean Holly Raider.

Listed below is a sample of our key events:

- **November 9, 2021**
  **Mindfulness Session on the Quad**
  Led by Quinnipiac colleagues Tami Reilly and Terri Johnson, faculty and staff joined together for a collective moment of mindfulness on the Quad. Participants were able to destress and emphasize personal well-being, peace and stability within themselves.

- **September 9, 2021**
  **Coffee Chat**
  Attendees discussed ideas, networked and shared resources that benefited their organizations.

- **February 14, 2022**
  **PUCWB Fireside Chat with the Newly Elected Hamden Mayor**
  Newly elected Hamden Mayor Lauren Garrett, Quinnipiac President Judy Olian and School of Business Dean Holly Raider discussed evolving leadership challenges and opportunities. More than 45 people attended the event.

- **November 3, 2021**
  **New Minds Open Forum**
  Members of the Quinnipiac community were invited to reflect on being a woman at Quinnipiac and what those experiences are like. The event was a collaboration with the Center for Teaching and Learning, the Inclusive Teaching Lab, and the Women’s and Gender Studies program.

- **November 15, 2021**
  **Research Progress Presentation**
  Tracy Van Oss, a clinical professor of occupational therapy in the School of Health Sciences, presented her current research in a webinar. Van Oss was a recipient of the 2021 PUCWB Research Award to support her scholarship, “Evidence to Practice: Occupational Therapy’s Role in Chronic Disease Health Management and Maintenance.”
People’s United Center for Women & Business Research Award 2021–2022
A $2,500 PUCWB research award to support faculty and/or student research aligned with the mission of the People’s United Center for Women & Business was presented to Megan Leubner, a medical student at the Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine at Quinnipiac. Her research examined the health needs of unhoused or marginally housed people in New Haven during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Kathleen Simione PUCWB Women in Business Scholarship
This scholarship program helps women pursue undergraduate and graduate degrees in business that will help them develop skills that are focused on forward-thinking leadership, conscious communication skills, and authentic, ethical and honest self-reflection. The 2022 recipients are Kylie Gethings ’21, MS ’22, and Julianna Masseria ’21, MBA ’22.

March 22, April 18, April 26, 2022
PUCWB Women of Color Professional Development Series
The PUCWB Women of Color Professional Development Series was a three-part event that featured workshops on salary negotiations training, authenticity in the workplace and leadership presentation. More than 100 participants attended the workshops in the series.

April 4, 2022
Women in Leadership Panel Discussion
A panel of influential women led by Connecticut Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz brought powerful messages of support and encouragement. The panel included Sujata Gadkar-Wilcox, associate professor of legal studies and executive director of the Oxford Consortium for Human Rights, and Kiku Jones, professor of computer information systems and co-director of the PUCWB, as well as students Ana Allen ’22, Ohidiani Imevbore ’22 and Ambar Pagan ’22.

March 1-31, 2022
Inaugural Women of Influence Awards
In celebration of Women’s History Month, the PUCWB honored women for their impact on students and Quinnipiac’s campus community. One full-time faculty member (Kimberly DiGiovanni), one part-time faculty member (Ginger Ann Kulig), one staff member (Rita Rodrigues) and one student (Gabriella Colello) were each selected and honored on social media.

March 30, 2022
Inaugural Eileen Peters Farley ’68 Endowed Speaker Series
The inaugural Eileen Peters Farley ’68 Endowed Speaker Series for Women in Business featured Hang Black, vice president of revenue enablement at Juniper Networks. Black, a Vietnamese immigrant, was presented with the 2022 Impact Award by Jessica Geis, CEO of Blue Chip Tek and the daughter of Eileen Peters Farley.
LEADERSHIP TEAM

Julia Fullick-Jagiela  
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Associate Professor of Management  
Chair of Management

Kiku Jones  
Co-Director  
Professor of Computer Information Systems  
Chair of Computer Information Systems

Kathleen Simione  
Director Emeritus  
Associate Professor Emerita of Accounting

Hanna Hejmowski  
Director of Operations  
Part-Time Faculty

The People’s United Center for Women & Business looks forward to partnering and collaborating with M&T Bank. The new name and plans will be announced in the fall of 2022.

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