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INSTITUTE FOR
DISPUTE RESOLUTION

A Year In Review (2021)



*The way the IDR has helped me has been through competitions. I have a start-up company called **Signs of Communication** and I've been a part of two pitch competitions this year – the TiE NJ Competition and the Nokia Bell Labs UPITCHNJ Competition where I won the Audience Choice Award.*

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2021 was a very challenging year for everyone, especially in higher education, but the IDR continued to drive innovation and entrepreneurship among the students of New Jersey City University and beyond! We would not have been able to do all of this without your support!

IDR Team Highlights

January 2021:

Arbaz Sandhu joined the IDR Team as the Data Analytics Specialist

February 2021:

The IDR had the honor of awarding the L.M. Krieger Fair Dealing and Justice Fellowship to NJCU Educational Technology Leadership Doctoral Student Michael Arbitblit for the 2nd year in a row (NJCU '14, '17, and '21)



November 2021:

Dr. Michael Arbitblit was promoted to Assistant Director of the Institute for Dispute Resolution



May: 2021

David Weiss was awarded the Faculty Knights Award at the NJCU Gothic Awards (above)

Michael Arbitblit graduated from NJCU with his Ed.D. in Educational Technology Leadership (left)

Neel Patel graduated from Seton Hall University with his MBA in Marketing and accepted a position at Novacure

Taylor Oslacky graduated with her bachelor's degree from Manhattan College and was accepted into NY Law School w/ Scholarship

Kelly McKenna graduated with her Bachelor's degree in Entrepreneurship from NJCU and will be joining the Jersey City Fire Department in 2022

Darby Zelaskowski graduated from Manhattan College with her Bachelor's Degree in English and accepted a job at AmeriCorps

Digital Initiatives/Webinars

Click images to watch!

February 2021:

Meet 5 Innovative Hungarian Companies Looking For Partners, Advisors & Customers in the USA in partnership with Commerce and Industry Association of New Jersey (CIANJ)



March 2021:

American Society of International Law, African Interest Groups' 3rd Webinar in Africa Talk Series: Diversity in the Legal Profession



April 2021:

Entrepreneurship Experiences for the Modern Leader (with NJCU's Rising Knight Institute)



May 2021:

New Jersey City University's MYOB and Global Business Spring 2021 Showcases!

MYOB: Bloomberg Mayor's Challenge
Global Business: The Sister City Agreement



Connecting Bridges and Borders

In 2021, we had the opportunity to have interviews live in-person using a 3-camera production team in addition to our standard Zoom interviews!

Click each image to see a wide array of local and international professionals from to New York Times Best Selling Authors to Academics to Lawyers and more!

"AMERICAN BABY: A MOTHER, A CHILD, AND THE SHADOW HISTORY OF ADOPTION"

With Professor David Weiss & Gabrielle Glaser



Good Things do STEM From Dance



With Professor David Weiss & Yamilée Toussaint Beach

The Process of Mediation Within The Court System: A New Jersey Perspective

with Professor David Weiss & Robert Margulies, Esq.



How Can CEO Functionality Improve? The Future of Executive Coaching On Conflict & Leadership

With Professor David Weiss & Ted Gerber



Croatia: A New Humanistic Approach to Resolving Conflict

With Professor David Weiss & Judge Srdan Simac



A Global Passport to Understanding Conflict Resolution & Economic Growth in Africa

With Professor David Weiss & Ijeoma Ononogbu



In-Person Initiatives

September 2021:

Donna Bernard, Mary Montgomery, and Omosede Ogiamien participated a guest speaker panel for Professor Weiss' MYOB: Mind Your Own Business Course to discuss the importance of diversity & inclusion and mental health issues in entrepreneurship.



November 2021:

The Institute for Dispute Resolution and New Jersey City University were awarded an indefinite space within Mission 50's Innovation and Commercialization Incubator for student idea creation and development.

(left to right: US Senator Robert Menendez, Mission 50's Greg Dell'Aquila, NJCU Board of Trustee Member Carlos Lejnieks, Professor David Weiss, Dr. Michael Arbitblit, and Entrepreneurship and Innovation NJCU - Jersey City Connect Steering Committee Chair Michael Jasonos)



December 2021:

Professor David Weiss, Dr. Michael Arbitblit, and Connecting Bridges and Borders Steering Committee Chair Jennifer Brandt flew out to the Dayton Mediation Center in Dayton, Ohio to learn about Transformative Mediation and Community-Based Mediation Centers

(Pictured with Aaron Primm - Transformative Mediation Specialist)



MYOB: Mind Your Own Business December 13th Showcase: STEM From Dance w/ Jersey City Global Charter School
Entrepreneurship Without Borders & Connecting to the Community

Left to right: Dr. Michael Arbitblit, Dr. Nadira Jack, Lemeur Perez, Dr. Sue Henderson, Professor David Weiss, and Dr. Simone Hyater-Adams



What's in store for 2022?

The Institute for Dispute Resolution (IDR) is largely made up of students who are funded by the generous support of partners here and across the globe. We have several student-driven innovative projects, programs, digital webinars, in-person events, entrepreneurship pitch competitions, innovation incubators, and more in store for 2022!

We truly appreciate your continued support. Please consider giving a gift so we can continue to make a difference in New Jersey City University students' academic and professional lives in the new year and beyond!

Thank you!

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