

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

| LOCATION/ TIME | MEDIA ARTS CENTER, AUDITORIUM, BUILDING 1 | STUDENT COMMONS, BUILDING 3 |
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| 8 AM - 9 AM | Regstration & Breakfast | |
| 9 AM - 9:30 AM | Welcome & Opening Remarks | |
| 9:30 AM - 10 AM | Untapped Talent: Hidden and Middle-Skills Workers Speaker: Manjari Raman, Program Director and Senior Researcher, Managing the Future of Work, Harvard Business School | |
| 10AM – 11 AM | Big Strategies for Overcoming Systemic Barriers to Work in the Commonwealth's Expanding Job Sectors Hear from sector leaders about systemic barriers that impact access to the Life Sciences, Healthcare, and Clean Energy sectors. Learn about some of the big strategies being implemented to ensure Black and Brown communities are not left out and why employing Roxbury residents is critical to the future of these sectors and the Commonwealth. The conversation will include personal stories from Roxbury residents who have overcome barriers to employment. | |
| 11 AM - 11:15 AM | Break | |
| 11:15 AM - 12 PM | Keynote Address Speaker: Ron Marlow, Director of Workforce Development and Alternative Education, ABCD | Exhibition/Tabling Area Training & Apprenticeship Programs Academic Degree Programs Employers Headshots Resume Review 1:1 Meetings with Hiring Managers & Admissions Staff |
| 12 PM - 1 PM | Lunch | |
| 1 PM - 1:30 PM | Career Pathways Start Here: How Roxbury-Based Educational Institutions Are Offering Stackable Credentials That Respond to Sector Demand Engage with local educational leaders to learn more about a growing number of sector-aligned credentials available in Roxbury and how students are stacking credentials and layering on alternative training models to advance their careers. Panelists will share how they keep ahead of industry trends and discuss how best to use apprenticeships and other holistic models to connect Boston Public School students to training and industry. | |
| 1:30 PM - 2 PM | Jobs & Opportunities: Exploring Employers' Role in Building Community Career Capital What are the current job opportunities in Bio Tech/Life Science, Healthcare, and Green/Blue Tech and how, as individuals and as a community, can we seize these opportunities? This session will highlight current job opportunities and how to leverage aligned transferable skills from other industries. Panelists will discuss employers and their critical role in building community capital and lowering opportunity costs in order to expand the talent pipeline in Roxbury. | |
| 2 PM - 2:30 PM | Nubian Square Happenings New development –from Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology's move to Nubian Square to lab space at Nubian Ascends and Parcel-3–will bring more educational and job opportunities to Roxbury. Learn more about what's planned and explore how, as a community, Roxbury can be intentional about creating the spaces we need to foster a jobs ecosystem and improve the quality of life and reduce leakage. | |
| 2:30 PM - 3 PM | Dessert & Networking | |