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MINORITY PARTICIPATION IN STEM AT CUNY — The National Science Foundation awarded a five-year, \$3.97 million grant to 13 CUNY institutions to expand the number of underrepresented minority students with degrees in the STEM (science, technology, mathematics and engineering) fields. The funding will go toward the New York City Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation — which Lehman College will oversee — to offer training and academic support to STEM majors as well as prepare students for graduate school and STEM careers. “Even as perhaps the most racially and ethnically diverse university in the world, CUNY’s commitment to campuses that are inclusive and diverse has never been more central to its mission,” interim CUNY Chancellor Vita Rabinowitz said in a statement. “This grant helps the University build on that extraordinary legacy in new and exciting ways, creating opportunities for the growing numbers of CUNY students interested in STEM careers.” Other participating colleges include Baruch, Queens, Medgar Evers, Brooklyn, The City College of New York, Macaulay Honors College, New York City College of Technology and College of Staten Island. Bronx, Guttman and Hostos Community Colleges are also participants. — *Madina Touré*.