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Welcome Back

As the spring semester of the 2008-2009 academic year begins, the Executive Committee of the Hunter College Faculty Delegate Assembly wishes to welcome our new and returning colleagues, with best wishes for a productive year.

Serving as officers of The General Faculty and The Faculty Delegate Assembly of Hunter College this year are:

Jason Young (Psychology), President
Jennifer Tuten (Curriculum & Teaching), Vice President
David Connor (Special Education), Treasurer
Tony Doyle (Library), Secretary
Michael Philip Fisher (Women and Gender Studies Program), Part-Time Faculty Representative
Charles Guzzetta (Social Work), Evening Session Representative

The position of day session representative is currently vacant.

FDA initiatives for Spring 2009

The FDA is taking a renewed look at its role in serving the faculty of the college to enhance faculty quality of life. Our new FDA website (at www.hunter.cuny.edu/fda) is up and running with continually-updated announcements and links to information relevant to faculty research, teaching, and quality of life.

Faculty Socials

To help promote a sense of community among faculty, particularly across departmental and other disciplinary lines, we plan to host a series of socials in the FDA lounge on the 8th floor West at which academic networking, wine, and good conversation will mix freely. The next of these faculty socials is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24th from 3-5:30PM.

Faculty Development Programs

We also plan to play a more active role in working with Acting Provost Rabinowitz and the Teaching Learning Center to identify and promote Faculty Development programs that are seen as relevant and useful by faculty. We plan to hold a series of Faculty Forums to gauge the current pressing needs of faculty, including a focus at our March 18 General Faculty FDA meeting on "*How We Get Our Research Done*" that will discuss the challenges and strategies for balancing research with teaching and other college duties. In addition, we are planning at our April 29 General FDA meeting for a forum on sharing strategies for applying for research funding.

Speaking with the Hunter Administration

Finally, we are taking a more active role in facilitating communication between faculty and members of the administration. Each month, the President and/or the Provost will speak at our *General FDA Meetings*, at which attendees have the opportunity to ask questions and voice concerns.

In addition, each semester, the FDA Executive Committee meets with President Raab to discuss critical issues of concern to the Hunter faculty community. We invite faculty to send us items they would like addressed at these meetings. Items may be submitted anonymously and will be reported back to the faculty at the next FDA meeting.

Contacting Us

To help us in all of these endeavors, we actively seek input from the entire faculty community--and the most direct way to weigh-in is via e-mail at fda@hunter.cuny.edu. Sending concerns, complaints, kudos, or offering assistance will be greatly appreciated and addressed promptly. .

Welcome to Our Newest Colleagues

The Executive Committee of the Faculty Delegate Assembly warmly welcomes our new faculty colleagues who have received full-time appointment to the faculty of Hunter College of The City University of New York effective January 1st, 2009:

Linda Alcott – Philosophy
 Francesca Bacon – Office of Int Ad.
 Joseph Lao – Psychology
 Virginia Sanchez-Korrol – Center for Puerto Rican Studies
 Deborah Tolman – Social Work
 Stephen Wetta – English

Best wishes from all your colleagues at Hunter!

New Department Chairs Elected

We are pleased to note that the following departments at Hunter College elected Chairpersons for a three-year period from July of 2008 to June of 2011. The Chairpersons are:

English - Cristina Alfar
 Curriculum & Teaching - Anne Ediger
 Psychology – Jeff Parsons
 Political Science - Walter Volkomer

Congratulations!

We proudly congratulate our colleagues listed below who have been promoted in the Fall of 2008.

School of Arts & Sciences

To Full Professor

Poundie Burstein – Music
 Joel Carreiro – Art
 Roger Karapin – Political Science
 Hiroshi Matsui – Chemistry

To Associate Professor

Manu Bhagavan – History
 Monica Calabritto – Romance Languages
 Fatma Cebenoyen – Economics
 Erica Chito Childs – Sociology
 Tracy Dennis – Psychology
 Marlene Villalobos Hennessey – English
 Donna Haverty-Stacke – History
 Maria Hernandez-Ojeda – Romance Languages
 Frida Kleiman – Chemistry
 Lawrence Kowerski – Classical & Oriental Studies

Neepa Maitra – Physics and Astronomy
 Toshi Mitsudome – Economics
 Lina Newton – Political Science
 Weigang Qiu – Biological Sciences
 Michael Steiper – Anthropology
 Makram Talih – Mathematics & Statistics

School of Nursing

To Full Professor

Donna Nickitas – Nursing

School of Health Sciences

To Associate Professor

Susan Babyar – Health Sciences
 Barbara Berney – Health Sciences
 Steven Einheber – Health Sciences
 Robert Raffaniello – Health Sciences

School Of Education

To Associate Professor

Jenny Castillo – Curriculum and Teaching

Ancillary Units

To Associate Professor

Patricia Woodard – Library

Congratulations on this Significant Achievement.

The Employee Assistance Program Presents Lunchtime Seminar Series

The following lunchtime seminars will be offered by the EAP this semester. All Hunter College faculty and staff are welcome to attend. Feel free to bring your lunch. To register for the seminar(s) please call the EAP Office (212) 772-4051 or via email: bwebbta@hunter.cuny.edu.

DECLUTTERING AND ORGANIZING YOUR WORKSPACE SEMINAR

Wednesday, February 18th, 12:15-1:15PM, Room WEST 1337

Back by popular demand, Professional Organizer Sonya Weisschapel, Founder and President of Seriatim Professional Organizing, will lead this seminar, arming you with ways to get your workspace in tip-top shape, teaching you ways to effectively manage paperwork that floods your desk, threatening to overtake your office.

THE TERRIBLE TEENS? HOW PARENTS AND ADOLESCENTS CAN DEFY THE ROLES, RE- WRITE THE RULES, AND GET CLOSER

Wednesday, March 4th, 12:15PM-1:15PM, Room WEST 1337

The teenage years can be trying for teens and parents alike. Too often families get stuck in the rules and roles that define (and limit) the ways we can (and can't) be with one another. As a result, it can often feel that home has become a battlefield. Explore ways of breaking out of these old, non-developmental roles to find ways of getting closer, getting along, and growing with your family.

TACKLING YOUR EVERYDAY WORRIES SEMINAR

Wednesday, March 18th, 12:15-1:15PM, Room WEST 1337

Are you feeling overwhelmed, anxious, burned out? Come to the Hunter EAP to learn and share techniques for heightening your awareness of your current stress levels and how to best prioritize your worries. This seminar will offer helpful tips and support for coping effectively during these trying times and let you know that you are not alone in feeling the crunch. This lunchtime seminar will be co-facilitated by Fabiola Hernandez, Kristen Meehan, and Robert Shutter, three Hunter College School of Social Work graduate students, specializing in clinical casework, who work as social work interns at the Hunter College EAP.

SEMINARIO EN ESPAÑOL-SEMINAR IN SPANISH

Miercoles 25 de Marzo durante la hora del almuerzo, de 12:15 a 1:15pm. En el cuarto numero WEST 1337.

MEJORANDO EL NIVEL DE ESTRES- Te sientes estresado, con ansiedad o sin ganas de hacer nada? Ven al seminario que el EAP de Hunter esta ofreciendo para aprender y compartir tecnicas faciles de como mejor lidiar con el estres. El seminario te enseñara que no estas solo! Y te proveera con apoyo y herramientas para enfrentar mas facilmente estos tiempos dificiles. El seminario sera presentado en Español por Fabiola Hernandez, una estudiante interna especializada en trabajo social clinico.

CAREGIVERS SEMINAR

Wednesday, April 1st, 12:15-1:15PM, Room WEST 1337.

Caring for a loved one who is ill can be challenging and stressful but it can be mastered, and even fulfilling. This seminar will address the multiple, and sometimes complex and confusing, issues that

caring for a loved one can bring you. You will have the opportunity to meet other people in your situation, ask questions and learn effective coping strategies. The seminar will be facilitated by William Goeren of CancerCare.

In addition to the seminar series, the EAP will host a **six week yoga series** taught by Penny Shaw.

The sessions will be held on
Fridays, February 27,
March 06,13,20,27,
and April 3rd
Room B303HW (gym level)

This class is ideal for people at all levels of experience with yoga. It will teach gentle stretches and tips for the proper alignment of the spine. Participants will need a current physical activity card, which may be obtained through the Health Service Office, Room 307HN. Participants should wear cool, loose comfortable clothing and bring a bath-size towel or yoga mat and two small paperback books to support the head to each yoga class. Penny Shaw has taught dance and yoga at Hunter College since 1973. She is trained in Alexander Technique and Neuromuscular Re-Education as well as yoga. The yoga series is held at the Hunter College 68th Street Campus.

To register for the Yoga series contact the EAP Office at (212)772-4051.

Our Very Best Wishes!

We wish to note that the following full-time faculty will go on retirement:

Gordon A. Barr – Psychology
Lewis A. Meyers – English
Mary B. Moore – Art
Florence W. Vigilante – Social Work

We wish you joy and fulfillment in whatever you decide to do next.

Fellowship Leaves:

Congratulations go to our colleagues who were awarded a Fellowship (Sabbatical) Leave during the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 academic year to pursue important scholarly work in their disciplines:

On leave at 100% pay for one semester are:

William Agee – Art
Sarah-Jane Dodd – Social Work
James Roman – Philosophy

On leave at 80% pay for both Fall and Spring semesters are:

Christa Acampora – Philosophy
Thomas Angotti – Urban Affairs and Planning
Ulku Bates – Art
Christopher Braun – Psychology
Anthony Browne – Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino Studies
Monica Calabritto – Romance Languages
Ian Calderon – Theater
Margaret Chin – Sociology
Omar Dahbour – Philosophy
Partha Deb – Economics
Marc Edelman – Anthropology
Jana Feinman – Music
James Freeman – Philosophy
Jorge Fuentes – SEEK
Francis Gardella – Curriculum and Teaching
Priscilla Hambrick-Dixon – Educational Foundations
John Hammond – Sociology
Barbara Hampton – Music
Calliope Haritos – Educational Foundations
David Hodges – Anthropology
Jan Levi – English
Violet Malinski – Clinical Nursing
Terry Micrahi – Social Work
John Niman – Curriculum and Teaching
Peter Parisi – Film and Media Studies
Katherine Parry – English
Janet Patti – Curriculum and Teaching
Rosalind Petchesky – Political Science
Isabel Pinedo – Film and Media Studies
Sandeep Prasada – Psychology
Vanya Quinones-Jenab – Psychology
Rosa Ramos – Romance Languages
Cynthia Roberts – Political Science
Gary Schmidgall – English
Purvi Sevak – Economics
Jonathan Shannon – Anthropology
Roger Sherwood – Social Work
Mark Spicer – Music
Robert Swain – Art
Joyce Ann Slochower – Psychology
Michael Smith – Social Work
Virginia Teller – Computer Science
Virginia Valian – Psychology
Alan Vardy – English

Stewart Weiss – Computer Science

Dates to Include on Your Spring 2009 Calendar

The entire community benefits when faculty actively participate in their representative organizations. Below is a schedule of departmental, FDA and Senate meetings for the rest of the academic year.

January

24 Fall Commencement
25 First Day of Classes

February

25 FDA Meeting

March

18 FDA Meeting
24 FDA faculty Social

April

8-17 Spring Recess
29 FDA Meeting

May

14 Last Day of Classes
20 FDA Meeting
19-25 Final Examinations

June

1 Spring Commencement TBA

Delegates and interested faculty should note that meetings of the FDA and General Faculty this semester are held on Wednesdays, 1:15 - 3:00 PM in room 1203 Hunter East.

The Solarium

The Faculty Conference Room located at 1413 Hunter East now has wireless access to the internet and is available for use on a first come, first served basis all through the year. A sign-up sheet is posted on the door. Please see Mr. James Regan or Ms. Paulette Ibeka in 1414E for access.

The Faculty/Staff Lounge

The FDA faculty lounge is now open on a regular basis to all full-time and adjunct members of the faculty. The lounge provides a comfortable, quiet space to read or meet with colleagues. Also, check out the latest issue of the *Chronicle of Higher Education* while you're there.

The lounge is located on the northeast corner of the 8th floor of Hunter West, next to the Faculty Dining Room. Complimentary coffee and cookies are available.

The Spring 2009 lounge hours are:

Monday	1-5 PM
Tuesday	2-6 PM
Wednesday	1-6 PM
Thursday	1-6 PM
Friday	1-5 PM

The lounge is also available to faculty and staff who wish to schedule book parties or small social events, Please call the FDA Office (x14123) to schedule your event.

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James Regan and Pauletta Ibeka are the Administrative Assistants to the FDA.

