WOMEN’S STUDIES AT HUNTER COLLEGE

Professor Michele Paludi, (Psychology) is the newly appointed Coordinator of Women’s Studies at Hunter College. We at the FACULTY VOICE asked Michele to describe the Women’s Studies Program and her goals for this academic year. What follows are excerpts from a longer document which Michele prepared in response to our request.

"Our Women’s Studies Program is based on a broad community of affiliated faculty, students, and Staff. The Program is administered by a Coordinator and a Policy Committee of elected students and faculty representatives. Women’s Studies at Hunter College includes three components: curriculum, scholarship, and advocacy.”

In describing the curriculum component, Michele wrote, "The Women’s Studies Program is an undergraduate academic program offering a collateral major consisting of Women’s Studies Program courses and courses drawn from a wide variety of disciplines. Students can also combine a minor in Women’s Studies with a major in many fields.”

In describing the scholarship component of the Women’s Studies Program, Michele listed areas in which faculty and students engage in collaborative research. Some of these are: Women’s Reproductive Rights and Health; Academic and Workplace Sexual Harassment; Gender, Morality, and Power; and Mentoring Experiences of Ethnic Minority Women.

As Michele described the advocacy component of the program, she referred to a close working relationship with the Women’s Center in coordinating workshops and events of special interest to Hunter women. She also stated that “Community Service Awards are awarded annually in honor of women who have contributed their time and efforts to Women’s Studies at Hunter and to advocacy for women in New York City.” A Women’s Studies Club meets monthly to “discuss issues in feminism, global women’s studies, dealing with anger, and violence against women.”

Michele said that topics for the month of September are related to the theme, “Women’s Studies in the Academy: Scholarship, Pedagogy, and Advocacy.” The month of October will be devoted to “Women and Health: Body Image, Nutrition, and Wellness.” Specific events relating to these and future themes will be publicized in the VOICE and elsewhere.

Professor Paludi’s new office is Room 1715W. She may be reached by phone at EXT 5680.

The Executive Committee of the FDA extends a warm welcome to new and returning Faculty for the 1991 - 92 academic year!

NEWLY ELECTED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following faculty members have been elected to positions on the Executive Committee of The General Faculty and The Faculty Delegate Assembly:

Margaret Magnus (Nursing)—President
Paul Kurzman (Social Work)—Vice President
Christina Taharally (Curt. and Teach.)—Day Session Fac. Rep.
Cecile Insdorf (Romance Lang.)—Part-time Fac. Rep.

The Office of The Faculty Delegate Assembly is located in Room 1414E and may be reached by phone at 772-4123. Ms. Sandy Yee, works during the morning hours in the FDA Office.

STANDARD FACULTY GRANT APPLICATION
FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORM

In response to a request for clarification on the need for faculty to file a financial disclosure form for a grant application, Mr. Robert Buckley, Dir. of Research Admin., wrote:

"Under terms of the Public Officers Law (The Ethics in Government Act), New York State Ethics Commission determined that a covered faculty member could satisfy the disclosure requirements by filing a standard University Multiple Position Form and, if he/she applies for a grant, by answering the three questions set forth on the Faculty Grant Application Financial Disclosure Form.

The new form has been required for all faculty and staff grant applicants since January 1, 1991. The University will not endorse and the Research Foundation will not open accounts for grant applications which have not been appropriately certified and approved by the College President.

Forms may be obtained from the Office of Research Administration, Room E1424 (212 772-4020). Responses are reviewed in conjunction with grant and contract applications, and applicants may be requested to provide clarification. Responses are held confidentially."

FALL MEETING SCHEDULE

The General Faculty and The Faculty Delegate Assembly will meet in Room 709W, 1:15 - 3:00 p.m. on the following Wednesdays:

October 16—General Faculty
November 20—Faculty Delegate Assembly
December 18—General Faculty

Agenda items for consideration at these meetings may be sent to the FDA, Room 1414E.
NEW FACULTY FACTBOOK

Our new faculty handbook has been published after two years of persistent effort by a hard-working faculty committee. The Faculty Delegate Assembly would like to express special thanks to the Handbook Committee: Nancy Dean, Chair, and Committee Members Michael Griffel, Mildred Kuner, Milagros Garcia, and Margaret Magnus. We would also like to recognize the remarkable cooperation extended by divisions, departments, and office personnel who supplied and updated information during each phase of production. Now that the factbook is finally available, your comments would be appreciated. Please forward your responses to the FDA, Room 1414E.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUNDING FOR FACULTY EVENTS—We wish to advise the faculty that, due to the severity of the fiscal cutbacks, only a limited amount of funding is available this year for faculty-related conferences, workshops, and events. Professor Carolyn Sommerville, Chair of the Faculty Events Committee, will issue revised guidelines for such grants in the near future.

PSC-CUNY RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATIONS—The application deadline for PSC-CUNY Research Awards is October 15, 1991. Applications are now being distributed by the Office of Research Administration. New faculty may submit proposals for Out-of-Cycle Awards until December 1, for faculty appointed in the Summer or the Fall, and until April 1, for faculty appointed for the Spring. For additional information, call Mrs. Priscilla Price at EXT 4020.

COMMITTEE PREFERENCE FORMS—We are now in the process of re-activating the standing committees of the Faculty Delegate Assembly. Please complete your preference sheet, which was distributed during the summer, and return it to the FDA as soon as possible.

CUNY FACULTY DEVELOPMENT SEMINARS—During the summer, applications were distributed for the 1991-92 Faculty Development Seminars sponsored by The City University of New York. “Balancing the Curriculum for Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Class” will be held on Wednesdays, both Fall and Spring semesters, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Hunter. Professors Dorothy Helly and Altgracia Ortiz are the Coordinators. “Publishing in the Academy” will be held on Wednesdays, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m., Spring semester only. Professor Joan Baum is the Coordinator. Enrollment for both seminars is limited. Return completed applications to Office of Academic Affairs, CUNY, 535 E. 80th St., New York, NY, 10021.

NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION—New Faculty Orientation Program, sponsored by the Faculty Delegate Assembly and the Office of the Provost, is scheduled for Friday, September 6. Program begins at 9:30 a.m. in Room 217W.

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The VOICE allows members of Hunter College Faculty to share news and views on a regular basis. So that we may include as many items of information as possible, please keep entries timely and concise.

Thank you for your continued interest.