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Department Chairs Elected

We are pleased to note that the following departments at Hunter College elected chairpersons for the forthcoming three year period (7/1/96-6/30/99), and we wish them well as they begin (or continue) to generously perform this important responsibility for their discipline, and for the College:

Art	Sanford Wurmfeld
Biological Sciences	Shirley Raps
Black & PR Studies	Jose Torres-Santiago
Classical & Oriental Studies	Tamara Green
Communications	Stuart Ewen
English	Richard Barickman
*Geol. & Geog.	Jeffrey Osleeb
Math. & Statistics	Martin Bendersky
Political Science	Kenneth Sherrill
Psychology	Herbert Krauss
Special Education	Marsha Lupi
Urban Aff. & Plan.	Peter Salins

We are grateful for the extra work and obligations you have assumed. And remember what Virgil said in Georgics:

Labor omnia vicit improbus!

*Completing the term of Prof. Keith Clarke

Notary Service

In response to an oft-mentioned need, a New York State Notary Public will be available to all members of the Hunter Community at the FDA office on Mondays and Wednesdays (x4123, Room 1414-E), and, at the EAP office daily (x4051, Room 1305-W). Faculty and staff needing this service should call to arrange a mutually convenient time to stop by in this regard.

On Sabbatical

Our congratulations go to our colleagues who have been awarded a Fellowship (Sabbatical) Leave this year. We wish them well as they pursue important scholarly work in their discipline:

September 1996-August 1997

Janos Bergou	Physics & Astronomy
William Chace	Romance Languages
Richard Churchill	Math & Statistics
Marithelma Costa	Romance Languages
Max Diem	Chemistry
Marvin Freidman	Biology
Dolores Greenberg	History
Karen Greenberg	English
Sara McLafferty	Geology & Geography
Robert Morris	Art
Helen Newman	Psychology
Kathleen Nokes	Nursing
Ruth Ramsay	Communications
Angela Ryan	Social Work
Lisa Vergara	Art

September 1996-January 1997

*Andrea Blum	Art
Michael Griffel	Music
**Mark Hillery	Physics & Astronomy
*Robert Koehl	Classics
Daniel Koetting	Theatre & Film
Roger Persell	Biology
Helen Sherman	Curriculum & Teaching

Commencing Spring Semester

***Sheila Chase (2/97-8/97)	Psychology
Kenneth Erickson (2/97-1/98)	Pol. Science
Julia Przybos (2/97-6/97 & 2/98-6/98)	Romance Languages
***Peter Tuckel (2/96-1/97)	Sociology

*Split Leave: 9/96-1/97; 9/97-1/98

**Half-Year, Full-Pay Award

***Scholar Incentive Award

New CUNY Doctoral Education Report Available

An Ad Hoc Working Group on Doctoral Program Planning and Doctoral Faculty Replenishment recently released a Draft Report with recommendations that have wide-ranging implications for all colleges of CUNY, in general, and particularly important implications for Hunter College, in specific. No faculty, students or doctoral executive officers served on the Ad Hoc Committee; however, the specific and substantive recommendations of the Draft Report (some of which are currently on the cusp of implementation) may initiate the most far-reaching alteration in education and resources in the history of the doctoral program at the City University. Copies of the Ad Hoc Report, and, of a response to the report by the Executive Committee of the FDA are available at the FDA (1414-E), or, by e-mail addressed to: pkurzman@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu. We recommend that all Hunter faculty who are involved in any manner with the CUNY Graduate Center and its doctoral programs review these documents so that your ideas and input can be forwarded in a timely manner to the Chancellor, Graduate School President and members of the Ad Hoc Working Group, whose work is ongoing.

Provost's Personnel Report and Recommendations

Provost Laura S. Schor released a list on November 18th of the net loss of instructional personnel at Hunter College during 1995 and 1996 due to resignation, retirement, retrenchment, death and non-reappointment. The list notes the net number and the percentage of faculty lost since 1994 by academic department and division, as follows:

- **Humanities & Arts**
 - Art 1
 - Classics 1
 - Communications 1
 - English 4

- Music 2
- Rom. Languages 4
- Theatre & Film 1

14

(of 173 faculty in 9/94)=8%

- **Sciences & Math**

- Biology 2
- Chemistry 1
- Computer Science 1
- Geol. & Geog. 3
- Physics 1

8

(of 87 faculty in 9/94)=9%

- **Social Sciences**

- Anthropology 2
- Economics 1
- History 1
- Psychology 1
- Sociology 2
- Urban Aff. & Pl. 2

9

(of 117 faculty in 9/94)=8%

- **Education**

- Curric. & Teach. 5
- Edu. Foundations 6
- Health & Phy.Ed. 1
- Special Ed. 2
- Acad. Skills 2

16

(of 84 faculty in 9/94)=19%

- **Health Sciences = 4**

(of 34 faculty in 9/94)=12%

- **Nursing = 7**

(of 30 faculty in 9/94)=23%

- **Social Work = 6**

(of 42 faculty in 9/94)=11%

The grand total of net faculty losses in these academic departments in the past two years is 64 (of 567 faculty in September of 1994) or 11%.

Middle States Preparation

In addition, during this period of time the following 33 net instructional losses were incurred of library and SEEK faculty, and among HEOs and CLTs throughout the College:

Biology	3
Brookdale Center	2
Chemistry	1
Health & Phy.Ed.	1
Health Sciences	1
IELI	1
Inservice Learning	2
Library	4
Nursing	1
Physics	1
Psychology	1
SEEK Counselors	10
Social Work	2
CUNY Caribbean	1
UPR Exchange	2

Under the leadership of Associate Provost Eugenie Birch (Urban Affairs) and Professor Peter Basquin (Music), preparation for the decennial Middle States Reaccreditation is currently underway at Hunter. As co-chairpersons of a college-wide steering committee and as coordinators of 12 task forces, Professors Baskin and Birch will oversee the compiling of a self-study report that will be available to a team of distinguished educators who will come on campus next fall for a site visit.

Each of the twelve task forces has a specific responsibility, denoted by its title, and will submit a report to the Steering Committee which will put together a comprehensive draft report of Hunter's Self-Study which then will be widely circulated on campus and discussed by the College community at a series of public hearings this coming Spring.

While there are students and alumnae who are serving on some of the task forces as well, we would particularly here like to thank our colleagues for volunteering to be members of the Steering Committee and for serving on the Task Forces. These are labor-intensive contributions which we wish to recognize by listing below the names of the faculty and staff who are generously providing their expertise in service to the College:

TF-1: Students and Student Life

Professors Barbara Barone (Math.)*, Alison Behrman (Health Sciences), David Hodges (Ed. Foundations), Marilyn May (Nursing), Migdalia Romero (Curr. & Teaching)**, Ruth Sidel (Sociology), Jewel Thompson (Music), and Jason Young (Psychology); and, Assoc. Dean Michael Escot (Student Services), Audrey Berman (Admissions), Dawn Klimovich (Student Services), Kristina Testa (Student Services) and Terry Wansart (Athletics).

TF-2: Undergraduate Education: General

Professors Juan Battle (Sociology), Darlene De Four (Psychology), Jorge Fuentes (SEEK), Kathleen Gambino (Nursing), Tamara Green (Classics)**, Deborah Ragin (Health Sciences),

In response to these losses, President Caputo and Provost Schor tentatively have authorized recruitment of instructional personnel in the following units and departments. (If the budget picture were to worsen, the number of searches might have to be reduced; if the picture improves, the number might be increased.) The 23 currently authorized faculty recruitments are: English (1), German (1), Communications (1), Nursing (1), Classical & Oriental Studies [Japanese] (1), Urban Affairs & Planning (1), Geology & Geography (1), Biology (1), Health Sciences [Physical Therapy & Comm. Health] (2), Psychology (1), Political Science (1), Nursing-Health Sciences (1), Music (1), Romance Languages (1), Sociology (1), Library (2), Economics (2), Educational Foundations (1), History (1), Social Work [1-yr visiting professor] (1). In addition, a total of 4 staff recruitments have been approved: HEO Assistants for Academic Computing (2), HEO Associate for the Provost's Office (1), and, CLT for Biology and Chemistry in Sciences and Mathematics (1).

These have been two difficult years, and the opportunity to hire new faculty and staff is most welcome, even if the numbers are less than we would wish and less than we all know we need.

Joseph Roitberg (Math), Trudith Smoke (English), Joan Tronto (Political Science) and Michael Turner (History);* and, Ilene Drapkin (Student Services), Tony Grande (Geol. & Geography), Dennis Paoli (Writing Center), Marilyn Rothschild (Computer Science), Madlyn Stokley (Student Services) and William Zlata (Admissions).

TF-3: Undergraduate Education: Majors

Professors Richard Barickman (English), Lucille Croom (Math),* Gloria Essoke (Nursing), Frank Kirkland (Philosophy),** Gary Krasilovsky (Health Sciences), Ari Liveson (Economics), Shirley Raps, (Biology), Francesca Sautman (Romance Languages), Bonnie Seegmiller (Psychology), Arlene Seguine (Curr. & Teaching), Alene Smith (Curr. & Teaching), Pamela Stone (Sociology), John Wallach (Political Science) and Barbara Welter (History); and, Jensene Payne (Humanities & Arts).

TF - 4: Graduate Programs

Professors Edward Binkowski (Math), Lynne Clark (Health Sciences)** , Katherine Garnett (Sp. Education), Tom Jennings (Library), Mario Kelly (Ed. Foundations)*, Mary Lefkarites (Curr. & Teaching), Sara McLafferty (Geol. & Geography), William Milezarski (Urban Affairs), Peter Moller (Psychology), Richard Stapleford (Art) and Gerald Turkewitz (Psychology); and, Irene Schaefer (Social Work).

TF - 5: Faculty

Professors Allan Brick (English),** Dolores Fernandez (Curr. & Teaching), Xoan Gonzalez-Millan (Romance Languages),* Martha Haffey (Social Work), Susan Kagan (Music), Eckhard Kuhn-Osius (German), Paul Kurzman (Social Work), Susan Neville (Nursing) and Carolyn Somerville (Political Science).

TF- 6: Research

Professors Meena Alexander (English), Jill Bargonetti-Chavarria (Biology), Elizabeth Barrett (Nursing), Timothy Bromage (Anthropology), Irwin Epstein (Social Work), Juan Flores (Black &

PR Studies), Richard Franck (Chemistry), Nicholas Freudenberg (Health Sciences), Steven Greenbaum (Physics)*, Cheryl Harding (Psychology), Danise Hoover (Library), Peter Salins (Urban Affairs)** , Peter Tuckel (Sociology) and Susan Weinberg (Philosophy); and, Robert Buckley (Research Administration).

TF-7: Technology, Support and Libraries

Professors Eugenie Birch (Assoc. Provost)*, Harriet Goodman (Social Work), Manfred Kuechler (Sociology), Jeffrey Osleeb (Geol. & Geography),** Anthony Picciano (Curr. & Teaching), Louise Sherby (Library), Robert Thompson (Math) and Sanford Wurmfeld (Art); and, Gregory Crosbie (Audio-Visual), Marilyn Daley-Weston (Registrar), Martin Dornbaum (Nursing), Marc Eichen (Acad. Computing), Enercida Guerrero (Reading and Writing Center), Ana Marino (Language Lab) and Michael Nesbitt (ASIT).

TF-8: Facilities

Professors Peter Basquin (Music)*, Kay Davidson (Social Work), Mark Goldberg (Health Sciences), Victor Goldsmith (Geol. & Geog.), Dixie Goss (Chemistry), Stephen Johnston (Urban Affairs), Robert Marino (Physics), ** and Pamela Wonsek (Library); and, Ruth Brooks (Facilities), Fran Erlitz (Environ. Control), Sandra Radinsky (Instit. Advan.), Barbara Wolin (Animal Care), and Henry Wong (Acad. Computing).

TF-9: Community Service & External Relations

Professors Marilyn Auerbach (Health Sciences), Jana Feinman (Music), David Kotelchuck (Health Sciences)*, Marsha Lupi (Sp. Education), Terry Mizrahi (Social Work),** Janet Poppendieck (Sociology), Dava Waltzman (Health Sciences), Elaine Walsh (Urban Affairs) and Anna Zentella (Black & PR Studies); and, Deborah Leccese-Harris (IELI), Harry Moody (Brookdale), Jean Sadowsky (Instit. Advan.) and Maria Terrone (Public Relations).

TF-10 Leadership and Governance

Professors Barbara Hampton (Music)*, Cecile Insdorf (Romance Languages), Namby Krishmanachari (Chemistry) Sara Ironstone (Nursing), Giuseppe DiScipio (Romance Languages), Sherryl Graves (Edu. Foundations), Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science) and Christina Taharally (Curric. & Teaching)** and, Deans Irwin Fleissner (Science)* and Hugh Scott (Education); and, Reva Cohen (Student Services), Joseph Fantozzi (Admissions) and Renata Murray (Senate).

TF-11: Resources, Budgeting and Planning

Professors Elizabeth Beaujour (Classics), Thomas Burke (Curric. & Teaching), Randall Filer (Economics)**, Dorothy James (German), Gregory Johnson (Anthropology), Violet Malinsky (Nursing), Louis Massa (Chemistry) and Robert Salmon (Social Work); and, Judith Bubnell (Provost's Office), Martin Fine (Social Sciences),* Timothy Harwood (Instit. Advancement), Janet Robertson (Science and Math) and Tina Salandra (Business Office).

TF - 12: Outcomes Assessment

Professors Ronnie Ancona (Classics), Sandra Clarkson (Math)**, Ruth DeFord (Music), Charles Guzzetta (Social Work)*, Jack Hammond (Sociology), Kimberly Kinsler (Edu. Foundations), Elaine Marshack (Social Work), Janet Natapoff (Nursing)*, Virginia Valian (Psychology) and William Williams (Math); and, David Adams (Provost's Office), Yechiel Rosenrauch (Registrar) and Thomas Thomas (Student Services).

*= Liaison & Steering Committee Member

** = Task Force Chair

Support T.H.E. PAC

Under the leadership of Hunter Professor Kenneth Sherrill (Chair, Political Science) an organization was formed last year to support candidates for public office who have a clear commitment to public higher education in New York State. The Higher Education Political Action Committee (T.H.E. PAC) also represents faculty, students and administrators of CUNY and SUNY before the State Legislature and the City Council.

The entire New York City government is up for reelection in 1997 and the third (and largest) phase of Governor Pataki's income tax cut also is scheduled to go into effect --- sharply reducing state revenues. To learn more about what T.H.E. PAC plans to do in this regard (and to make a modest contribution to this important political action effort) contact Ken Sherrill at the Political Science Department, or, ksherril@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu.

Conference Materials Available

An all-day Conference on Writing at Hunter was held on October 18th and faculty from every division attended. Attendees shared their techniques for incorporating writing in their classes at every level --- not just to test but to teach. Faculty not able to attend who would like materials from the conference, including a draft copy of "Writing as Learning" and Professor Emerita Nancy Dean's superb presentation, should contact Dennis Paoli at the Writing Center (x4212), or, dpaoli@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu. Follow-up workshops will be offered spring semester. Watch for the announcement!

Fitness Center Nearby

Since 1894, when several Hunter College alumnae saw a need for educational and recreational opportunities for immigrants and their families on the Upper East Side, the non-profit Lenox Hill Neighborhood House (LHNH) at 331 East 70 Street has helped those in need in our area. Perhaps of interest to the faculty and staff of Hunter College is the neighborhood LHNH Fitness Center which has state-of-the art equipment, exercise classes and an indoor heated swimming pool. The Fitness Center offers annual memberships at modest cost. Faculty and staff who are interested in more information can call LHNH at 744-5022, x277.

Chronicle Features Hunter

The November 15th issue of the prestigious national **Chronicle of Higher Education** has feature articles on Hunter College faculty. Both of the issue's full-length articles on notable faculty research focus on the creative accomplishments of our own colleagues here at Hunter.

Anthropology Professor Thomas McGovern's National Science Foundation exploration of Norse and Inuit archaeological sites in Greenland is uncovering landmark discoveries about human settlement there from the 10th to the 14th century. His findings will make a major contribution to understanding the relationship between climate and survival in the Arctic.

Two pages later is a feature article on History Professor Jo Ann McNamara's new book, **Sisters in Arms: Catholic Nuns Through Two Millennia** which traces the history of the sisterhood from its roots in the earliest days of Christianity. Her 751-page text explores the motives and unheralded achievement of women who entered religious orders over the past two centuries.

A copy of the issue is in the Faculty-Staff Lounge so that we can all enjoy reading about our colleagues' achievements. Congratulations and well done !

In Memorium

The Executive Committee of the FDA notes with deep sadness the loss of a faculty colleague on October 11th. Michele C. Dacenay was an instructor at the Hunter College School of Nursing where she had graduated with her BSN. She was completing her Ph.D. at Adelphi University at the time of her death.

Ms. Dacenay had worked for the New York City Department of Health and at the South Brooklyn Health Center as a supervisor of community health nursing. A Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves, she was called to active duty and served in the Mid-East during Desert Storm. Her gentle and ever thoughtful commitment to the College, its students and the nursing profession will be missed by us all at Hunter.

A donation of \$50 or more will provide for the purchase of library books (and placement of a commemorative bookplate) in Ms. Dacenay's honor. Contributions should be sent to Professor Louise Sherby, Chief Librarian, at the Wexler Library (3-East).

Michele C. Dacenay
Instructor
School of Nursing
1990 -1996

Hunter's Winter Commencement

At Hunter College's forthcoming Winter Commencement, honorary degrees will be awarded to two prominent civic and cultural leaders, and the President's Medal to a creative leader of public television.

Mercedes Lopez Deiz, the first woman of color to become a judge in the State of Oregon, will be awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Formerly a student at Hunter College, Judge Deiz is a nationally recognized leader in the arenas of civil rights and juvenile justice. Receiving an Honorary Doctor of Music degree will be Kurt Masur, the world eminent conductor and the Music Director of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra since 1991.

Serving as graduation speaker and receiving the Hunter College President's Medal will be Brian P. Lamb, Chair and CEO of the not-for-profit cable and satellite channels known to us all as C-SPAN. The medal will be a tribute to his longstanding commitment to broadening participation in and public understanding of the American political system.

Faculty are encouraged to set aside time in their busy schedules to attend this wonderful ceremony (Tuesday, January 28th, 3 p.m.) to pay tribute to these distinguished honorees and to provide support and recognition to our outstanding students at the time of their graduation.

Faculty Seminars on Jumbo Classes

For those who may have missed the three superb seminars on teaching undergraduate courses in large and "jumbo" format (see article in September 1996 Voice), summaries of Professor Hausman's presentations are available in different formats. Dr. Hausman's notes for Seminar #1 have been transcribed and Seminar #2 was audiotaped. For copies, contact Professor Patricia Woodard (Library) at pwoodard@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu, or, x4137.

Session #3 was videotaped: for a copy contact Professor Jorge Fuentes (SEEK) at jfuentes@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu, or, x4030.

Task Force Request

As part of the self-study process, Hunter's Middle States Task Force on Leadership and Governance (see page 5) is currently examining the governance structures of the College and of CUNY.

In this regard, the Task Force has reviewed documents, conducted interviews and listened to presentations. If faculty or staff have further recommendations or suggestions on the exercise of leadership and governance in their unit, their department or college-wide --- or how current practices might be improved by change --- they should contact the Task Force Chair Professor Christina Taharally (Curric. & Teaching) at x4679, or, ctaharal@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu.

Faculty - Staff Lounge

The Lounge will be open this semester through **Thursday, December 19th** and will reopen for spring semester on the first day of classes, **Wednesday, January 29th**, as always, 2-6 p.m.

Meanwhile, the Executive Committee wishes you a joyous and Happy Holiday Season, and some well deserved rest and relaxation with good friends and family.

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