From the Provost

THE PROVOST’S OFFICE WISHES YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

Announcements

ASSESSMENT:
The “Assessment Resources” link on the Assessment & Evaluation Page has information and examples that you may find helpful in writing student learning outcomes for courses and department/program assessment plans.

SNOW EMERGENCY INFORMATION FOR FACULTY:
http://www.barnard.edu/provost/policies/snowemergency.html

Reminders

FACULTY MEETING:
The last faculty meeting of the semester will be on Monday, December 7 at 4:15pm in the James Room.

FACULTY RESEARCH GRANTS:
For more info., see Faculty Guide, pp. 37-40 or the Provost’s website.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR LEAVE (SAPL):
Those intending to apply for 2010-11 should contact Angela Haddad by email: ahaddad@barnard.edu.

Nominations

VIRGINIA G. GILDERSELEEVE PROFESSOR
The Virginia C. Gildersleeve Fund contributes to the intellectual life of Barnard College by bringing distinguished visiting scholars, preferably women from abroad, to the Barnard campus. Gildersleeve Professors typically come to Barnard for a single week in which they deliver the traditional public lecture, attend a dinner in their honor, meet classes or informal student groups, and participate in other activities arranged by the hosting academic department(s). Gildersleeve conferences may be presented in a variety of formats, such as symposia, panels, etc.

The Committee encourages early discussion within academic departments and programs of possible candidates and conferences. All departments are welcome to nominate, whether or not they have
previously sponsored Gildersleeve Professors or conferences. Nominations are also welcome from Barnard alumnae. The Committee especially encourages joint sponsorship where a candidate or conference would contribute to the intellectual life of several groups or interests on campus.

**Guidelines:** Nominations for the 2010-11 Gildersleeve Professorship and/or Conference should be submitted to the Provost and Dean of the Faculty by **February 15, 2010**. Relevant c.v.(s), press clippings, etc. are needed for consideration. Please call Angela Haddad by email: ahaddad@barnard.edu, if you have questions.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**
**RECIPIENTS OF FACULTY GRANTS COMMITTEE AWARDS:**
S. Harrison, Economics, *Self-fulfilling Expectations: From Theory to Experimental Evidence*
A. Heo, Anthropology, *The Politics of Swine-Flu Management and the ‘Coptic Problem’ in Egypt*
K. Mammen, Economics, *Child Support Enforcement and Women’s Labor Market Outcomes*
L. Minnite, Political Science, *The Politics of Voter Fraud*
L. Postlewate, French, *The Digital Middle Ages: Teaching and Research*

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**From Alumnae Affairs**

**CONNECT WITH BARNARD ALUMNAE ON YOUR TRAVELS**
Is your research calling you to Pittsburgh, Providence, or Paris? Are you giving a lecture in Boston, Baltimore, or Berlin? Barnard alumnae all over the country and the world would love to see you! Contact Alumnae Affairs about setting up a speaking engagement to a Barnard Club anywhere you are going, or publicizing your event to our alumnae. Contact Susannah Goldstein at x4-0572 or sgoldstein@barnard.edu for more information.

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**From the Dean of Studies**

**End-of-Semester Procedures**

**INCOMPLETES**
You have authority to grant an Incomplete for a Barnard student who presents compelling reason for her inability to complete a paper or project. While faculty legislation allows for the extension until September 2010, we hope that you will establish a much earlier deadline. Both you and the student must sign the required three-part form, to be obtained at, and returned to, the Registrar’s Office. Please keep a copy for your records. Columbia College students must request Incompletes through their Class advisers.

**FINAL EXAMINATIONS**
Required Reading Days: December 15-16
Exams: December 17-23

Please administer exams only during scheduled hours. A take-home exam may not be substituted for a scheduled three-hour final unless permission has been granted by Committee on Instruction.
Faculty legislation requires that "instructors or their delegated representatives remain in the assigned room for the duration of regularly scheduled examinations." Delegates may be fellow instructors or laboratory or teaching assistants but not undergraduate students.

Blue books are available in the Purchasing Office or from departmental assistants. Please return unused books.

All students should begin work on exams at the same time; a student who is late may not have extra time. A student who wishes to leave before the end of the exam period must submit her blue books to you. If a Barnard student becomes ill during the course of the exam, her books must be given directly to you; she must then go to Health Services. If she has taken the examination for more than one hour in a 3-hour examination, or more than 40 minutes in 2-hour examination, she should be graded on the work completed. If less time has passed, the grade should be DEF (deferred exam).

Graded examinations are to be kept on file for one year. A student who wishes to review her exam may do so in your presence. She is expected to return it to you.

**DEFERRED FINAL EXAMINATIONS**
Deferred exams are permitted only in cases of disabling illness or emergency, and they require your permission and that of the dean-on-call in our office. Please read the copy of my e-mail memorandum explaining procedures, which will be sent to all students and to you. Deferred exams will be scheduled and administered by the Registrar's Office in January. Students are responsible for finding out the date of their exam administration.

**SUBMISSION OF COURSE GRADES**
Procedures have been sent to you by Connie Brown. Please submit your grades online by the assigned deadline so that we will have complete records for Academic Review during which the Committee on Programs and Academic Standing will determine appropriate action for students whose records are unsatisfactory. If you are concerned about a student and don’t plan to be at the Review, please contact the appropriate Class Dean in our office. We count on your input and advice.

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**
Please report allegations of academic dishonesty to the appropriate Class Dean: Aaron Schneider (x47709), seniors; Jim Runsdorf (x47512), juniors; Christina Kuan Tsu (x47589), sophomores; and Lisa Hollibaugh (x47430), first-years. For Columbia College and FFSEAS students, please contact Monique Rinere (x41223); for General Studies students, Scott Halvorson (x48496).

Please call us if you suspect plagiarism and wish to have a paper scanned through turnitin.com. We don’t want you to have to take time to track down sources.

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**From the Office of Institutional Support**

**INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD:**
IRB applications should be submitted to Institutional Support (224 Milbank, shazra@barnard.edu) no later than **Thursday, January 14th, 2010**. For more information see the [Human Subjects](#) web page.

**ARTICLES OF INTEREST & ITEMS OF INTEREST:**
“Federal Audit Faults Universities Over Researchers' Financial Conflicts of Interest”
“Researchers Urge Colleges and Federal Agencies to Coordinate Efforts for Women in Science”

UPCOMING FACULTY GRANT DEADLINES:

**General Interest**
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION CCLI PROGRAM
Deadline: January 13, 2010
[Website](#)

**Humanities**
SMITHSONIAN FELLOWSHIPS
Deadline: January 15, 2010
[Website](#)

**Sciences**
NASA EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM TO STIMULATE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH
Deadline: Notice of Intent Due: January 11, 2010; Proposal Due: February 19, 2010
[Website](#)

For more new grant opportunities, please see [Upcoming Grants Deadlines](#) on the Faculty Grants website.

For more information about our office and what we do, please visit us in Milbank 224 and or our [website](#).

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**From the Library...**

**Announcements**
The [Archives blog](#) has a new post featuring the 1966 orientation booklet, "The Barnard Alice" and a 1970 "reorientation" guide. The blog also hosts an image gallery.

The [Zine Collection](#) hosted a SUNY Purchase class "Riot Grrrls and Radical Women" for a visit and lecture/practical workshop. Become a fan of the Zine Collection on [Facebook](#).

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**Upcoming Events**

**How Remarkable Women Lead**
December 2, 6:30pm – 7:30pm
Julius Held Auditorium, 304 Barnard Hall

**Discussion with Margarethe Von Trotta - Film Screening**
December 3, 5:30pm – 8:30pm
Held Auditorium

**The Barnard Project At Dance Theater Workshop: Fifth Year Anniversary Concert**
Romancing the Text: Renaissance Translation And The Dialogue Of Genres
December 4, 9:00am – 7:00pm
Barnard Hall

The Barnard Project At Dance Theater Workshop: Fifth Year Anniversary Concert
December 3, 7:30pm – 9:00pm
December 4, 7:30pm – 9:00pm
December 5, 2:00pm – 3:30pm and 7:30pm – 9:00pm
219 West 19th Street, New York, NY

A Celebration Of Grace Paley: Speaking Truth To Power
December 11, 6:30pm – 7:30pm
James Room, 4th Floor Barnard Hall

The Annual Candlelight Concert: The Barnard-Columbia Chorus
December 12, 8:00pm – 9:00pm
Union Theological Seminary, Broadway at 120th Street

Newsbriefs


Alexander Cooley, Associate Professor of Political Science, delivered a number of international public talks and lectures as part of his activities as an Open Society Global Fellow. On October 12 he lectured on "China-Russia Rivalry and the Changing Politics of Influence in Central Asia" at the Brussels Institute for Contemporary China Studies and held private briefings on the topic for EU and NATO policymakers. On October 14, he delivered the lecture "The Rise of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization: Understanding Non-Western Regional Integration in Central Asia" at the invitation of the Centre for International Studies and Diplomacy at the University of London’s School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS). During a subsequent research trip to China, he lectured on “Western Views of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization” at the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences (October 24) and gave a presentation on recent trends in Sino-Russian relations for a Columbia Alumni Association reception organized by Columbia University Global Center, Beijing.

Joshua Davis, Term Assistant Professor in Psychology, presented at an invited talk, “Sensory-Motor Experience in Emotion and Power” at Yale University as part of their series on social psychology.

Jenna Freedman, Coordinator of Reference Services and Zine Librarian, Library, appeared on a librarian bloggers panel on November 2, presented "The Myth of Professional Neutrality" on November 11 at a
Rutgers School of Communication and Information symposium, and guest taught an Elisabeth Irwin high school class called "Fierce and Fabulous: Feminist Women Writers, Artists, and Activists" on November 24.

Jack Hawley, Professor of Religion, has recently given several talks: “Enabling Antinomies: Tensions and Tensile Strength in Wilfred Cantwell Smith” at a symposium in Smith’s honor, McGill University, November 6; “Performing the Bhagavata Purana: The Great Prescription,” at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Montreal, November 8; “Modern Roots, Ancient Branches: The Bhakti Movement—Since When?,” at the University of Texas, Austin, November 12; and “Who Made the Bhakti Movement?,” at a conference entitled “Expanding Horizons: Sikh Studies at the Turn of the 21st Century,” held at the University of California, Santa Barbara, November 14. His essay “The Bhakti Movement—From Where? Since When?” has appeared in print as Occasional Paper 10 of the Indian International Centre, Delhi. He has served as the editor for a posthumous volume bringing together essays by D. Dennis Hudson: Krishna’s Mandala: Bhagavata Religion and Beyond (Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2009).


Nara Milanich, Assistant Professor of History, published the book Children of Fate: Childhood, Class, and the State in Chile, 1850-1930, Duke University Press, 2009. Her article “The Local Contours of Transnational Legal Patriarchy: The Chilean Civil Code in Comparative Perspective,” appeared in an edited volume in Chile entitled Ampliando miradas: Chile y su historia en un tiempo global (Broadening Perspectives: Chile and Its History in a Global Era), edited by Fernando Purcell and Alfredo Riquelme. In July she attended the biannual conference of the Society for the History of Children and Youth in Berkeley, CA, where I gave a paper entitled “Out of Bounds: Children and Bondage in Modern Latin America” and also served as an invited participant on a roundtable, "Teaching the History of Non-Western Childhoods.


Russell Romeo, Assistant Professor of Psychology, gave a presentation entitled "Developing the Role of Puberty in Shaping Stress Reactivity" at the International Society for Developmental Psychobiology in Chicago, IL in October 2009. And, with a student co-author (Kathleen Goble 09’) presented at poster at the Annual Society for Neuroscience meeting (also in Chicago in October 2009) entitled "Pubertal Changes in Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal (HPA) Axis Reactivity and Microglia Activation in Response to an Immunological Stressor".

Phillip John Usher, Assistant Professor of French, gave two invited lectures, one at Harvard University, titled "From Notre-Dame to Bonnivet: An Architectual Reading of Rabelais' Gargantua" (October 8); the other in Columbia University's Renaissance Seminar, titled "From Marriage to Massacre: The Louvre in 1572" (November 10). He also spoke at a forum about the MLA job market organized by the Graduate Student Association of Boston University (November 19). His review of Jean-Luc Nardone's "La représentation de Jérusalem" appeared in the Sixteenth Century Journal (vol XL, no 3, fall 2009).