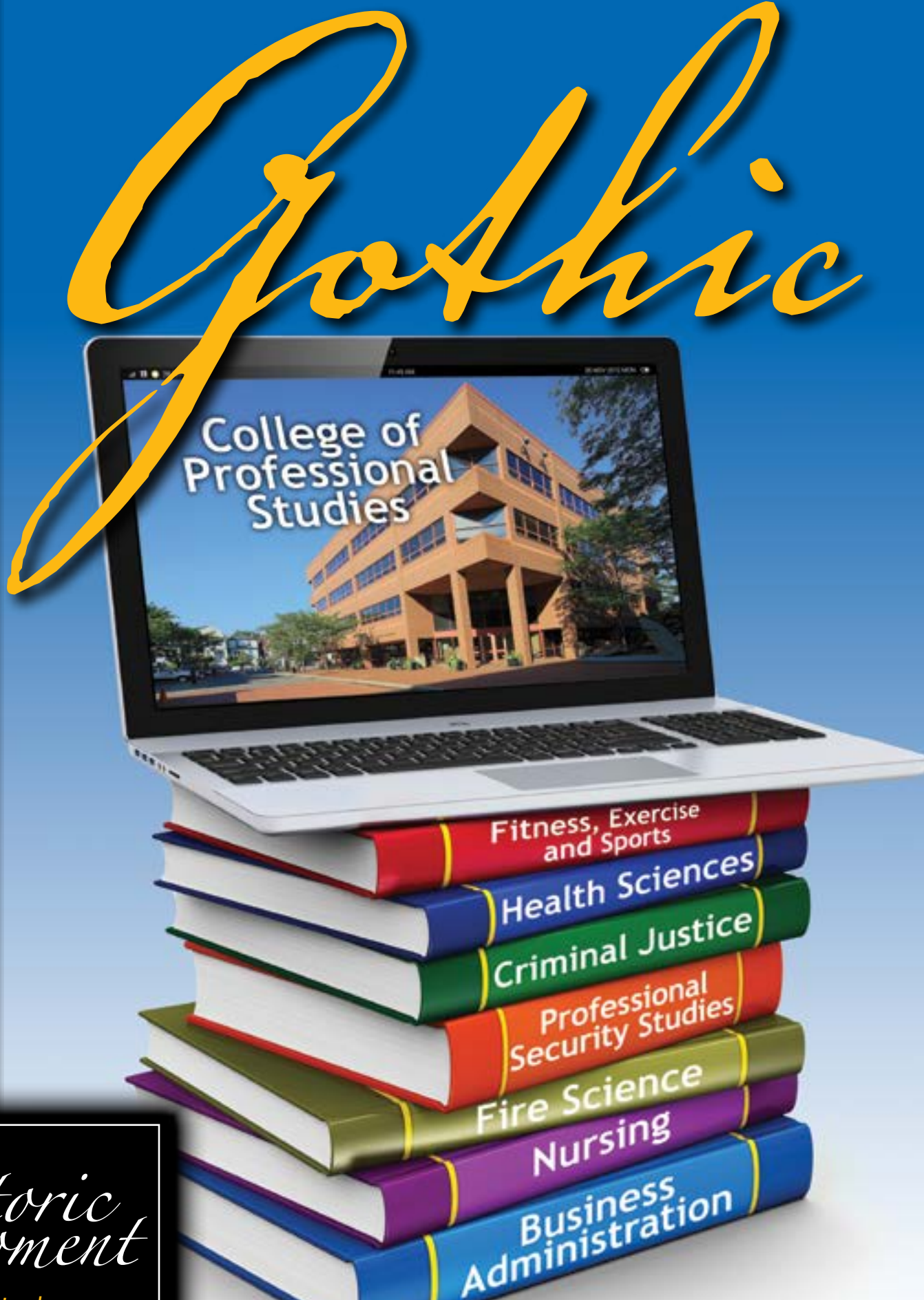


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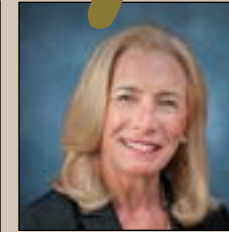
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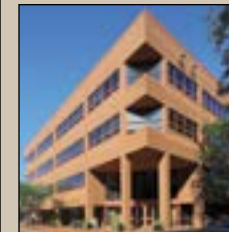
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"We learn in the sixth most densely-populated county in the U.S. With more than 1,000 employees we generate over \$78 million a year in payroll and wages that impact the local and state economy. Much of the remaining portion of our \$138 million budget is spent with over 1,900 vendors, more than half of whom are state located. Add to this our over 1,400 graduates who fill our work force every year. When you put that all together, we generate over \$300 million dollars in economic activity for this state. That means for every \$1 that NJCU spends another \$1.19 is generated and for every job that we have right here at NJCU more than one is created."

"According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, high school graduates earn an average income of \$638 per week, those with a bachelor's degree earn \$1,053 a week, and those with a master's degree are likely to earn \$1,263."

"In 2011, the unemployment rate for high school graduates was 9.4 percent while those with a bachelor's degree were unemployed at a rate of 4.5 percent."



Dr. Sue Henderson Breaks NJCU's Glass Ceiling As 12th President

By Kelly Resch

"While faculty are the measure of our greatness, students are the reason we are here."

In the very short time that I have been here, I have come to love this place, its history, and all that it stands for," said Dr. Sue Henderson, a mathematician and educator who became the first woman to lead New Jersey City University when she assumed office as the institution's 12th president on August 6.

When she was named president by the NJCU Board of Trustees following a nationwide search, Dr. Henderson was serving Queens College as both chief operating officer and vice president of institutional advancement.

Although geographically close, Dr. Henderson admits to not knowing much about the institution located across the Hudson River and a bit south, but decided to conduct some research when a friend informed her that the mission and values of NJCU were such a good match for her own.

In a move right out of reality television's "Undercover Boss," or, in this case, "Undercover Future Boss," Dr. Henderson revealed, "Since Jersey City is not far from Flushing, Queens, I decided to take a look at the campus before my first interview." She was truly impressed by the friendliness and warmth that she discovered, "Wow! It was love at first sight."

"And, in all of my encounters since, I am delighted that my initial impression has been confirmed. This is a warm and friendly intellectual community dedicated to access and excellence."

When holding her first all-University meeting last fall, Dr. Henderson told an audience of faculty, staff, students, and alumni, "I am humbled by the debt I owe to all of you who

have served this wonderful University so well for so many years. Indeed, I stand on the shoulders of giants."

In providing some insight about what she sees as the strengths, assets, and pride points of the University she now leads, Dr. Henderson mentioned NJCU's broad-based and innovative curriculum, commitment to strategic planning, deep engagement in local schools, programming at Harborside and Brookdale, proximity to Manhattan, location in a revitalizing area, West Campus, work with instructional technology, and international exchange programs.

When discussing the National Survey of Student Engagement, which measures an institution's effectiveness in reaching out to students, Dr. Henderson said, "I am so pleased to report that we did very well in so many areas. I was particularly delighted to see that our students felt that we engaged them in a number of ways, including that faculty connect their learning to societal problems and issues, work with them outside the classroom on activities other than their course work, encourage their active participation in class, and provide valuable feedback on various drafts of their work. And finally, something that I am very proud of, NJCU faculty challenge students to do their best work. My hat is off to your work... thank you."

"While faculty are the measure of our greatness," Dr. Henderson said, "students are the reason we are here. We can truly transform their lives by educating them not only for their first job but for their second and third job. The broad education that we offer them gives them a leg up on their livelihood as well as a quality of life."

Dr. Henderson thanked the vice presidents, staff, and board members for their work, support, and "crash course on NJCU" before sharing what she believes the University can accomplish in the next few years.

"With so much to offer, we can expand our reach, serving more students and students from farther away. To build on current strengths and take advantage of strategic opportunities, we need to hire more faculty and support their research efforts as they in turn connect to opportunities for undergraduate research. We can and we must do better with our retention and graduation rates. We have been nimble at creating new majors and programs in response to the needs of the community. Study after study on higher education touts this theme: Those institutions that can be at the forefront of emerging areas of study and need will flourish. NJCU can and is such a place."

To develop teams and plans to meet these goals, Dr. Henderson promises to meet with every academic and administrative unit as well as with many more students and alumni in the coming months.

"I love urban public higher education and its unique mission," said Dr. Henderson. "We face incredible challenges. But, NJCU is a forward-looking institution that is well-positioned to meet these challenges. You have laid the foundation for a bright future and I am convinced that our best days are ahead of us. To think that I am in a place that truly is the future of this world...anything is possible here."

At Queens College

As chief operating officer: guided critical initiatives, including the implementation of long-range strategic planning and community-focused and entrepreneurial programs and activities; worked to bring greater diversity in faculty and staff hiring; oversaw facilities and construction work; implemented a zero-based budgeting initiative; and advanced the internationalization of the curriculum.

As vice president of institutional advancement: promoted the College within the campus community and cultivated support from public, private, and corporate sources; oversaw 12 units, including alumni relations, athletics, communications, development, special events, government affairs, entrepreneurial activities, converging technologies, professional and continuing studies, study abroad, and the Godwin-Ternbach Museum, Kupfberger Center for the Arts, Louis Armstrong House Museum, Center for Jewish Studies, and Women and Work Program.

Education: Ph.D. in higher education from the University of Georgia; master's and bachelor's degrees in mathematics education from Georgia State University

THE GIVER WHO

Congressman Frank J. Guarini

By Pat Martínez



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KEEPS GIVING

Congressman Frank J. Guarini has again presented New Jersey City University with a significant donation, a \$1 million signature gift, which will provide educational programs and scholarships for generations to come. A portion of his endowed gift will also be matched by a Title V grant, which NJCU received from the U.S. Department of Education in 2011.

In recognition of his latest contribution, NJCU will name the Department of Music, Dance and Theatre in honor of the Congressman's mother, the late Caroline L. Guarini, and establish the Peter G. Mangin Institute for Real Estate in honor of his nephew and business partner.

"For decades Congressman Guarini has been committed to providing transformative opportunities for NJCU students, many of whom are the first in their families to attend college," said then-President Carlos Hernández, who announced the gift in June. "His love of higher education has enabled students to pursue their dreams and build successful careers."

The Congressman's continued loyalty and generosity to NJCU inspired the renaming of the University's library in his honor in 2000. In the past decade, he provided seed money for the award-winning Student Investment Management (SIM) Group, and established and funds the Guarini Award, which is presented annually at Commencement to an outstanding business student. The University (then Jersey City State College) conferred an honorary degree upon him in 1993.

A Jersey City native and a graduate of Lincoln High School, Congressman Guarini earned a bachelor of arts degree at Dartmouth College and a juris doctor and master of law degree

at New York University School of Law. He also pursued advanced studies at The Hague Academy of International Law in the Netherlands.

Congressman Guarini has an outstanding record of public service to Hudson County, the State of New Jersey, and the country. A World War II veteran who saw active combat in the Pacific Theater, he received the Naval Commendation Medal and three Battle Stars. He served as a New Jersey State Senator, 1965-1972, and was elected to seven terms as a Congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1979-1993.

Since his retirement from Congress, he has been involved in development projects along Jersey City's waterfront. Just a few blocks from his law office in the waterfront's financial district is Jersey City's Main Post Office, which was named in his honor in 2008.

Philanthropy is a lifelong habit of his, first nurtured during his undergraduate days at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire, when the expectation of becoming a generous alumnus was "drilled into us," he said. It was a lesson he took with him when he later enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

"The experience of World War II shaped my generation and the behavior of the entire country," he said, "We pulled together and helped each other."

When he returned to Jersey City after the War, he turned to politics and civic organizations to fulfill a desire to leave a positive imprint on his community.

"I served organizations like the American Red Cross, the Urban League, and United Way. This volunteer work brought me into contact with other people who were excited about public service — it's a culture that grows on you."

Throughout his remarkable career, he has remained committed to the quality of higher education. In addition to his work at NJCU, Congressman Guarini has founded institutes and centers at Dartmouth College, New York University School of Law, St. Peter's University, and John Cabot University in Rome.

With his latest gift to NJCU, Congressman Guarini leaves yet another meaningful imprint on a community he has served so well. His motivation is simple: "Look, if we're going to build a better world, we all have to give what we can — our time, our money. It just doesn't happen without effort."

Congressman Guarini (center) talks with graduate students Peter Ejeb '11 and Veronica Garcia '11.



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Gateway

To the Global Village

This new Gothic feature will showcase NJCU's Gateway to the Global Village Program, which brings visitors from throughout the world to campus and offers exchange and study opportunities abroad for students and faculty. Recognized for a commitment to the globalization of its curriculum and for a campus that is a microcosm of the world, NJCU further prepares students for the global economy by affording them many opportunities for scholarly, cultural, and personal interactions and collaborations as well as enduring borderless relationships.

Mexico

Thirteen students participated in a cultural and historical tour as well as a service project in a Mayan village as part of "Mexico's Heritage: Explore the Yucatan," a spring break trip led by Robert Quinones, assistant director for campus life and coordinator of NJCU's Center for Community Service and Volunteerism, and Craig Katz, director of international programs.



Antonio Talamo



Peru

A visit to Machu Picchu was among the highlights of "Historic Cities in Global Perspective: Peru," a three-credit, study abroad program in Cuzco last June. Gathered with trip leaders Dr. Cora Lagos (left), an assistant professor of modern languages, and Dr. Timothy White (front right), an assistant professor of

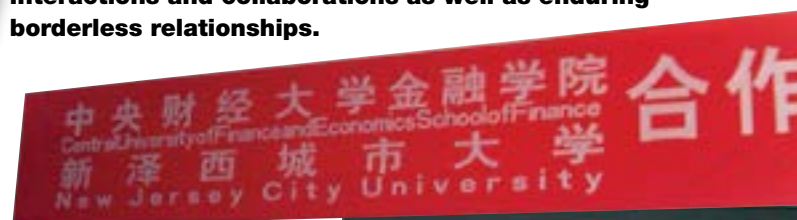
history, were students Rosanna Rodriguez (front left), and from left Daniel Miller, Danay Sierra, Nazea Ali, Anthony Moore, and Marilyn Pardo.

Peru

A delegation of 12 administrators and professors from the Universidad Inca Garcilaso de la Vega (UIGV) of Lima, a private Peruvian university with which NJCU has an academic exchange program, traveled to New Jersey to learn more about NJCU's model Business Development Incubator. UIGV established the Centro Peruano-Americano para el Desarrollo Empresarial, its Peruvian-American Center for Entrepreneurial Business, in 2010. The Peruvian visitors toured the BDI and interacted with their NJCU counterparts and BDI entrepreneurs. Among the Peruvian delegates who met with Dr. Sue Henderson, NJCU president; Joseph Tetteh (center left), director of the BDI; and NJCU administrators, faculty, and staff were Dr. Luis Cervantes Liñán (left), UIGV president, and Dr. Julio Villar Castillo, executive director of UIGV's Business Incubator and dean of the faculty of Foreign Trade and International Relations.



BDI Workshop



China

Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno (right), vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. Sandra Bloomberg, dean of professional studies, visited China last spring to sign articulation agreements in business with Central University in Beijing and Dongbei University in Dalian. Through these agreements, Chinese undergraduates will be able to complete baccalaureate degrees in business by attending NJCU for their major courses and NJCU will coordinate faculty exchange programs with the Chinese universities. Drs. Bruno and Bloomberg also visited other institutions with their Chinese escorts, Michelle Hsu, president of the International Academic Alliance, and Dr. George Li, an NJCU associate professor of business administration.



Rob Quinones

India

Seventeen NJCU students participated in "Study India," a unique, 13-day immersion program offered in collaboration with H.R. College of Commerce and Economics in Mumbai last January.

The program followed an exchange that brought 24 H.R. College students to NJCU in May 2011. In India, NJCU students visited religious and cultural sites, including the Taj Mahal (pictured), and attended dinners hosted by families of Indian students who had visited NJCU. They were accompanied by Craig Katz, director of international programs; Dr. Irma Maini, a professor of English who is a native of Delhi, and Robert Quinones, assistant director for campus life and coordinator of NJCU's Center for Community Service and Volunteerism.



Oman

Yosra Abdalla (third from right), an international business major, studied Arabic language and culture at the Center for International Learning (CIL) in Muscat, Oman during the fall 2012 semester through a scholarship awarded to her by the CIL and the Omani government.

Japan

Chanel Wright, a junior majoring in biology, is studying at Momoyama Gakuin University in Osaka, Japan during the spring 2013 semester as the recipient of a prestigious Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship. Gillman Scholarship recipients are selected through a competitive process and must use the award to defray eligible study abroad costs.

Alumna Teaching on Fulbright Assistantship In South Korea



Ms. David at Gyeongbokgung Palace in Seoul

Jennie David '12 is teaching in South Korea on a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA), a prestigious and highly competitive program established by the United States Congress in 1946 that selects participants based on academic merit and leadership potential.

Ms. David is teaching English and researching cyber bullying at Poongsan High School in Andong. In addition to her cultural immersion, she said she is also learning about the country's educational philosophy.

"Perhaps the most surprising aspect of my time here is the amount of support given me by my fellow teachers, despite the fact that I do not really speak Korean nor do they speak English," she said. "The most difficult adjustment is the difference in the teaching methods. I have been taught to encourage my students to use critical thought, which is not their method. It is a bit frustrating as my students, who have a good grasp of English, are afraid to get the 'wrong answer' when I ask them an open-ended question."

Still, she said, "the best advice I've been given, and this is essentially the motto for the Fulbright ETA program here, is 'Don't compare.'"

Ms. David said she has also thoroughly enjoyed South Korean cuisine and has been warmly welcomed by her hosts, the Kim family.

During her senior year at NJCU, Ms. David decided she wanted to teach abroad. Her advisor, Dr. Audrey Fisch, a professor of English, and Dr. Irma Miani, a professor of English and the Fulbright Program advisor at NJCU, encouraged her to apply. Ms. David, who majored in English and secondary education, will remain in Korea through the spring. In addition to her teaching assignments, she is preparing research for a Fulbright seminar in the spring. She has chosen the topic of cyber bullying.

"I personally experienced cyber bullying and therefore understand the effects it can have on someone," she said.

Ms. David was born in the Philippines and had previously traveled to China and Japan. Fluent in English and Tagalog, she can read, write, and speak some Japanese and Mandarin. She studied Korean as part of her training for the Program and has continued to take courses in the language during her stay.

Italy

Dr. Gabriella Ganugi, president of Florence University of the Arts (FUA), visited NJCU last fall to speak about FUA's many programs, including ones in business, social sciences, food and wine studies, and visual and fine arts. FUA offers affordable semester, summer, and short-term winter programs. NJCU will launch a study abroad program there either in fall 2013 or spring 2014.



Dana Hollander

Doctor of Education in Educational Technology Leadership Is N.J.'s First

New Jersey City University will be the first institution of higher education in New Jersey to offer a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) Degree in Educational Technology Leadership Program. The Program will enroll its first class next summer.

The Ed.D. Program is the first doctoral program to be offered by NJCU's Deborah Cannon Partridge Wolfe College of Education and only the second doctoral program to be offered by the University. The Program will be offered by the NJCU Department of Educational Technology, one of only a few dozen throughout the United States that is recognized by the International Society for Technology in Education.

In addition to being the only such program in New Jersey, the NJCU Program will also be unique in its approach, offering students the ability to complete the degree online and during only three, one-week Summer Institutes.

The Summer Institutes are residential, day-long programs that will be held on NJCU's Jersey City campus and will feature working breakfasts

and lunches and opportunities for students to: meet with fellow students, program advisors, professors, the dissertation committee, administrators, librarians, and the Advisory Board; showcase their projects; and plan their dissertation topics.

With an interdisciplinary focus that utilizes all of the University's faculty and resources, NJCU's Ed.D. Program is designed to develop educational technology leaders and innovators whose work is characterized by scholarship, creativity, and innovation and who can address the educational issues of technology's role in civic, social, cultural, labor, and organizational change.

Graduates of NJCU's Ed.D. Program will be poised to lead schools and businesses in using technology to locate resources; assess, comprehend, interpret, and communicate information; evaluate products and processes; and solve problems.

For further information contact Dr. Cordelia Twomey, chair of NJCU's Educational Technology Department, at (201)200-2545 or ctwomey@njcu.edu.



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▲ Dozens of potential students attended a campus reception at which they learned more about the new doctoral program and had opportunities to meet members of the administration and faculty, including Dr. Christopher Shamburg, a professor of educational technology; Dr. Laura Zieger, an associate professor of educational technology; and Dr. Twomey (left), who were among those who made formal presentations. The program is available on the doctoral website at www.njcu.edu/edd.

Two Major Education Programs Achieve National Accreditation

The national Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC) has accredited two major education programs of the Deborah Cannon Partridge Wolfe College of Education.

Five-year initial accreditation was authorized for both NJCU's Teacher Education Instructional Certificate Program and Educational Leadership/Administration Certificate Program. The College of Education's programs in early childhood education, elementary and secondary education, special education, literacy education, multicultural education, and educational technology are accredited, along with the Educational Leadership/Administration Certificate Program, through June 12, 2017.

Founded in 1997, TEAC is a non-profit organization dedicated to the improvement of academic degree programs for professional educators who will teach and lead in schools, pre-K through grade 12. TEAC's goal is to support the preparation of competent, caring, and qualified professional educators.

TEAC's primary work is accrediting undergraduate and graduate professional education programs in order to assure the public about the quality of college and university programs. The education program, rather than the institution, receives TEAC accreditation.

NJCU has maintained national accreditation for its education programs for more than 50 years.

Facilities Update

In a continuing effort to build, upgrade, and maintain the NJCU plant, the following projects will be undertaken during 2013:

- The design for the renovation and expansion of the Science Building. This includes renovation of existing chemistry laboratories and the construction of an addition to the building to add new teaching and research laboratories.
- Remediation and infrastructure construction on NJCU's West Campus, which is expected to continue through the year.
- The design for the West Campus Academic Building, which will house general classroom space, faculty offices, and the Department of Music, Dance and Theatre. Construction is scheduled to begin in 2014.
- A demand study, which includes market analysis and focus groups, is also underway for a proposed residence hall for the West Campus.

Play Therapy Pioneer Visits Campus

Dr. Garry L. Landreth, a world-renowned pioneer in the field of play therapy and a mentor to play therapy teachers and researchers worldwide, drew more than 200 attendees to "Healing the Hurting Child: The Necessary Dimension of Child-Centered Play Therapy," a day-long workshop that included a lecture and a demonstration.

The campus workshop focused on the perceptual world of the child, the dynamic elements of the relationship that facilitate the play therapy process, structuring the relationship in the playroom, "reading" themes in children's play, the four healing messages needed by a child who is hurting, child-centered play therapy skills, helping children develop self-control and self-responsibility, the ACT model of therapeutic limit setting, the language of facilitating change in children, and guidelines for selecting appropriate toys and materials.

Workshop activities included spontaneous demonstrations by Dr. Landreth about specific problems in the play therapy experience, skill-building exercises, and critiques of videos of his play therapy sessions.

Dr. Landreth founded the Center for Play Therapy, which has now become the largest play therapy training program in the world, in 1988. At the Center, students are trained in play therapy, a method of child counseling that uses toys and other play materials to enable children to express their feelings, thoughts, and experiences.

Dr. Landreth is also internationally known for his writings, which include his award-winning and widely translated *Play Therapy: The Art of the Relationship*, the first book on play therapy and still one of the most influential.

Security Symposium. NJCU's Second Annual Northeast Regional Security Education Symposium focused on "Creating Actionable Intelligence and Using Analytical Techniques" and celebrated the launch of the University's first doctoral program, the Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) in Civil Security Leadership, Management and Policy (See Page 22.). Gathered with Dr. John Collins (third from left), a professor and chair of professional security studies who served as program moderator, were (from left): U.S. Air Force Major General Robert A. "Rosie" Rosenberg (Ret.), commanding general of "The Bus" Hexagon Mission, a 25-year-long



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Cold War spy satellite mission declassified in 2011, who delivered the keynote address; Dr. Richard J. Cosgrove, an assistant professor of professional security studies; Dr. Michael Krantz, an associate professor of professional security studies; Eduard J. Emde, CPP, president of the American Society of Industrial Security International and principal consultant for BMKISS Europe, an independent security support organization based in the Netherlands; Edward Dickson, director of the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness; and Dr. Tsung Y. "Bill" Soo Hoo, associate professor of professional security studies. NJCU is a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education for academic years 2009-2014 as designated by the National Security Agency and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Grants at a Glance

- The New Jersey Department of Higher Education awarded a six-year, \$525,000 grant to NJCU's GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Program). NJCU is one of seven higher education partner institutions in the New Jersey Department of Higher Education's GEAR UP program, which encourages students to earn college degrees and take rigorous high school courses to prepare for postsecondary education. NJCU's GEAR UP targets six Jersey City public schools.
- The United States Department of Defense (DoD) has awarded a one-year grant, capped at \$1,117,296, to NJCU's Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP). The DoD IASP award supports efforts to retain students pursuing information assurance/cyber security programs of study. As many as 30 graduate and 10 doctoral students could receive scholarships to NJCU that would cover tuition, fees, and books.

NJCU Spring 2013 Open Houses

Graduate Studies

Thursday, June 6, 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
2039 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City

Highlights: information about NJCU's two doctoral and 27 master's degree programs, revised test waiver request process for select master's degree programs, and alternate route to teaching certification; opportunities to meet faculty and staff from academic departments and administrative offices

Office of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education
(201)200-3409

Undergraduate

Saturday, April 20, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
2039 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City

Highlights: campus tours; an "Information Fair" on undergraduate and graduate degree programs, academic and student support services, and student organizations; sessions with representatives from the Office of Financial Aid and academic departments; opportunities to meet faculty, staff, students, and alumni

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
(201)200-3234

NJCU at Harborside

Wednesdays, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 29,
and June 26, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Harborside Financial Center 4A, 286 Washington Street, second floor,
Jersey City

Highlights: information about the graduate degree and certificate programs offered on the Jersey City waterfront; opportunities to meet faculty from the Department of Business Administration and representatives from the Office of Graduate Admissions

College of Professional Studies
(201)200-3343

NJCU at Brookdale

Tuesday, March 26, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.
765 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft

Highlights: opportunities to meet representatives from all undergraduate and graduate programs offered at NJCU at Brookdale

(732)280-7090, Ext. 6011

The application fee is waived for those who apply for admission to NJCU at any of these events and parking is validated for all attendees.

Attention NJCU Alumni

As NJCU's proudest ambassadors, please help your *alma mater* by referring prospective students to one of the University's many Open Houses.

NJCU Is Named Educational Partner of National Park Service At Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

New Jersey City University is now the official educational partner of the National Park Service (NPS) at the Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island.

NJCU's status as the educational partner provides students with unparalleled opportunities to utilize the resources of the historic site and NJCU faculty, staff, and students benefit NPS by sharing their expertise in a wide range of fields.

Administered by NJCU's William J. Maxwell College of Arts and Sciences, the formal relationship grew out of an informal collaboration between NJCU and the NPS that was formed about two years ago. Through the informal collaboration, NJCU and the NPS had already worked together on a host of mutually-beneficial programs and initiatives.

Among the many initiatives that have now been formalized is an internship program for NJCU students at the historic site, which provides them with real work experience as well as academic credits. The formal agreement also enables the curriculums of NJCU programs as well as the educational activities of the NPS to continue to be enriched by the reciprocal flow of information and shared expertise.

Through the agreement, NJCU will now officially serve as the NPS' community partner for the "Navigating Difference" project under the auspices of the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, a multi-year, multi-component project to explore and promote an understanding of the immigrant experience worldwide.

The NPS and NJCU will also continue to partner on an artist-in-residence program at Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island. Launched last summer, the inaugural program selected three artists from an international pool of applicants for month-long residencies during which they created art inspired by the two islands and had use of NJCU studio and living space.

'Conversations in Women's and Gender Studies' Features Screening, Discussions

"Conversations in Women's and Gender Studies" an October series presented by the Department of Women's and Gender Studies featured discussions by prominent members of the community and a screening of Katja von Garnier's *Iron-Jawed Angels*.

The discussions included "Women in Government: Politics and Policies" with New Jersey State Senator Sandra Bolden Cunningham; Jeannine LaRue, senior vice president of Kaufman Zita Group; Sheila Y. Oliver, speaker of the New Jersey General Assembly; and Shamaine A. Daniels, Esq., vice-chair of the Board of the Pennsylvania Immigration

and Citizenship Coalition, and field director for the Chris Dietz for State Representative Campaign; "Women, Gender and Activism" with Thenjiwe Tameika McHarris, Northeast field organizer for Amnesty International, and Tynesha McHarris, director of programs and community engagement for the Newark Trust for Education; and "What Can I Do With a WGST Degree? Careers and Opportunities" with Joneil Adriano, an Emmy, duPont, and Peabody Award-winning television news producer; Kristen Demaline, social media/communications coordinator for GRACE Communications Foundation; and Regina Langley, a DJ and founder/creator of Black Girl Enterprise.

► **Negotiating Faith. An interfaith panel of guest speakers participated in "Negotiating Our Private Faith in Public Spaces," an honest and scholarly discussion on how to navigate personal faith in a pluralistic society. Gathered with Dr. Antoinette Ellis-Williams (right), director of NJCU's Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center, professor of women's and gender studies, and minister at Bethany Baptist Church, and Dr. Nuray Yurt (left), director of Peace Islands Institute and associate director of marketing science at Novartis Pharmaceuticals, who served as discussion moderators, were panelists (from left): Father Luke A. Edelen, O.S.B., chancellor of the Syriac Catholic Church in Bayonne and former NJCU chaplain; Imam W. Deen Shareef of Masjid Waarith ud Deen in Irvington, a convener of the Council of Imams in New Jersey; and Rabbi Debra Hachen of Temple Beth-El in Jersey City, a member of the Reform movement's Commission on Membership and Outreach. The November program was co-sponsored by Peace Islands Institute and NJCU's Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center, and William J. Maxwell College of Arts and Sciences.**



Dr. Khalil Gibran Muhammad to Deliver 18th Annual W.E. B. DuBois Lecture

Dr. Khalil Gibran Muhammad, director of the Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, will deliver NJCU's 18th annual W.E.B. DuBois Lecture on Thursday, April 25.

A former associate professor of history at Indiana University, Dr. Muhammad has served as director of the Schomburg Center since 2010.

Dr. Muhammad is at the forefront of scholarship on the

enduring link between race and crime. He is the author of *The Condemnation of Blackness: Race, Crime, and the Making of Modern Urban America*, winner of the 2011 John Hope Franklin Publication Prize of the American Studies Association, and is currently working on *Disappearing Acts: The End of White Criminality in the Age of Jim Crow*, which traces the historical roots of crime and punishment.

He has been featured on National Public Radio and Pacifica Radio, and his writings have been published in the *Washington Post*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, *History News Network*, and *theDefendersonline.com*. Dr. Muhammad has served as associate editor of *The Journal of American History* and is a member *Transition Magazine's* editorial board.

Dr. Muhammad's lecture is part of a year-long series of special and annual programs presented by the Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation and focusing on "Living Emancipated Lives."

For information about the Hagan Center's year-long series call (201)200-3524.

Social Network Executive to Close 2012-2013 University Lecture Series

Jennifer Corriero, co-founder and executive director of TakingIT-Global (TIG), one of the world's first social networks, which empowers hundreds of thousands of youths around the world to make a difference in their communities, will close NJCU's 2012-2013 University Lecture Series on Tuesday, April 16.

As executive director of TIG, co-founded with Michael Furdyk in 2000 when she was 19 years old, Ms. Corriero manages 30 staff, 300 volunteers, and 400,000 members

from more than 200 countries. In her role as a youth engagement consultant, Ms. Corriero has worked with leading companies around the world on strategies to connect with young people as customers, employees, and partners.

The 2012-2013 Series, which is focusing on global citizenship in a complex world, opened in October with lifelong human rights activist Enrique Morones, president and founder of Border Angels, an all-volunteer group that places water,



President Sue Henderson and Ms. Kantayya (left)



Gathered with Mr. Morones (center) before the opening lecture were (from right): President Sue Henderson; William Y. Fellenberg, interim vice president for university advancement; Hugo Morales, interim director of marketing; and Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno, vice president for academic affairs.

blankets, and food on border areas to help save migrants' lives.

Shalini Kantayya, a Brooklyn-based, award-winning filmmaker, educator, and eco-activist who placed in the top 10 of over 12,000 filmmakers on "On the Lot," a television show in search of Hollywood's next great director, was featured in November, and Dr. Dorothee Benz, director of communica-

tions at the Center for Constitutional Rights and chair of Methodists in New Directions, a grassroots organization working to end religious homophobia, was scheduled to speak in February.

The free Series is sponsored annually by the NJCU Division of University Advancement. All lectures are held at 3:00 p.m. For further information call (201)200-3425.

NJCU Blood Drive Breaks Records

New Jersey City University held its most successful blood drive ever in October, collecting 151 blood products from 163 donors and ranking sixth on New Jersey Blood Services' Top Colleges of 2011-2012 list last academic year, higher than many universities and colleges with at least double the population.

Co-sponsored by NJCU's "Pathways to Wellness Series," Office of Residence Life, and Chapter of Lambda Tau Omega Sorority, Inc., the Blood Drive was coordinated by the University's Health and Wellness Center in the Division of Student Affairs and conducted by professional staff of New Jersey Blood Services, a division of the New York Blood Center.

Since 1997, members of the NJCU community have donated a total of 2,433 units of blood, contributing to the quality of life of well over 7,000 patients in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.

NJCU Celebrates 'National Hispanic Heritage Month' with Focus on the Arts

New Jersey City University hosted a series of campus programs centered around "We Are You Project International," an initiative that is the first comprehensive, coast-to-coast artistic overview of the current state of Latino socio-cultural, political, and economic conditions in the 21st century, as part of its campus celebration of "National Hispanic Heritage Month."

NJCU's "National Hispanic Heritage Month" programs included: The "We Are You Project International" art exhibit, which features paintings, prints, and multi-media

works by more than 30 contemporary Hispanic artists, including nine NJCU alumni and faculty; a screening and discussion of "We Are You Project," a documentary directed by artist Duda Penteado that features interviews with prominent leaders and artists; an artists' reception; and a closing reception that featured readings by several internationally acclaimed poets, including Alan Britt, Pablo Caviedes, Alex Lima, Raphael Montanez Ortiz, Mike Foldes, Carmen D. Lucca, Gabriel Navar, and Mr. Penteado.

Hurricane Sandy & NJCU

By Kelly Resch



Winds from Hurricane Sandy ripped brick facing from the outer wall of the Michael B. Gilligan Student Union.

As the entire Northeast dealt with Hurricane Sandy, those trained to handle such emergencies as well as those who were not stepped forward as heroes in the face of tragic loss and devastating destruction.

In the state hit hardest by the storm, New Jersey City University witnessed the work of many campus heroes who left their own loved ones in dark, cold homes to secure the campus, restore power and communications technology, and ensure that students residing on campus were safe, warm, and fed.

In an email sent to the campus community, President Sue Henderson, who was among those working on the week-long, shuttered campus, said that she was impressed by the hard work and

dedication of the maintenance, security, IT, and CIRT teams and was "heartened by the generosity of spirit and professionalism" that was exhibited during a "trying time."

Dr. Henderson also praised the residence life and food services staffs who "worked under difficult circumstances to meet the needs of residence students," and joked that "on some days, they [students] were eating better than many of us." According to Dr. Henderson, the care and concern for students did not go unnoticed, especially by their parents, who emailed to thank her for the way their children were supported and assisted by NJCU staff. "To receive these expressions of appreciation and to know that our work has made such a difference is most gratifying," she said.

Off-campus, an astonishing 126 of NJCU's 183 fire science majors worked throughout the storm in nearly every county in New

Jersey, either as volunteers or at their career ranks, ranging from firefighter or EMT to chief of operations.

Four NJCU National Guard students – First Lieutenant Sergio Suarez, a candidate for a master of science degree in national security studies; Marissa Pavlak and Miguel Manliclic, both biology majors; and Daniel Farnkopf, a national security studies major at NJCU at Brookdale – were activated and deployed.

As an expert in a related area, Dr. Jane Webber, an associate professor and clinical coordinator



President Henderson visited students who were stranded on campus during the storm.

of the graduate-level Counseling Program, former president of the New Jersey Counseling Association, and an expert on trauma and crisis counseling, provided vital information to the public and to counselors during interviews by *NPR News*, *New Jersey Spotlight*, and *Counseling Today CT online*. Dr. Webber was also instrumental in recruiting counselors from unaffected areas.

The University's Business Development Incubator (BDI) and Small Business Development



Generators provided power to critical facilities during the storm.



Fuel deliveries were essential throughout the power outage.



Students unable to make it home during the storm were housed and fed in the Michael B. Gilligan Student Union.

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Center (SBDC) also proved to be instrumental in recovery efforts, working together to help small businesses affected by the storm apply for federal loans. The BDI provided the space, technology, and communications abilities and the SBDC provided the staff.

Many faculty and staff went beyond their professional expertise to help, including Helen Bongon, a program assistant in the Department of Mathematics who delivered food that she collected from friends to senior citizen centers in Jersey City and distributed FEMA flyers throughout the City's Country Village neighborhood. Dr. Cindy Jo Arrigo, an assistant professor of biology, "distributed FEMA food packages and a few hugs to citizens in need" when she volunteered with the Office of Bayonne Mayor Mark Smith. And, Ella Rue '05 M.A., assistant to the dean of the William J. Maxwell College of Arts and Sciences, reached out to the Appalachian Service Project's local chapter, a group with which she is involved, to create work parties to make homes "drier, safer, and warmer."

Other members of the University community sorted and delivered donated items to Jersey City families through NJCU's Center for Community Service and Volunteerism, which worked with the Jersey City Recovery Organization.

NJCU also stepped up to the plate financially. Coordinated by the Division of University Advancement, the 2012-2013 Annual Fund Faculty Staff Campaign was established as a restricted account solely for the purpose of helping NJCU employees and students affected by Hurricane Sandy. All gifts to this year's Annual

Fund Faculty Staff Campaign are going to direct relief for faculty, staff, and students who suffered extensive personal, property, or financial loss. The Office of the Dean of Students helped to identify students who needed direct relief; NJCU's Human Resources staff helped to coordinate the identification of employees who needed direct relief.

The Gothic Giving: Hurricane Sandy Relief Initiative, a drive coordinated by the Division of Student Affairs, Student Government Organization, and Center for Community Service and Volunteerism, collected cleaning supplies, clothing, food, toys, and household goods that were distributed to those members of the NJCU community most affected by the storm and donated the remainder to local charities.

The Department of Music, Dance and Theatre donated a portion of proceeds from two special performances of "Strange Boarders" towards relief funds for victims of Hurricane Sandy, and the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, in conjunction with its Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, donated all proceeds from tickets sales for basketball's season opener, which pitted the women's and men's teams against rival Ramapo College.

Within a day of re-opening, NJCU invited all neighbors to use a warming and recharging station in the first floor lab of Congressman Frank J. Guarini Library; opened the facilities of the John J. Moore Athletics and Fitness Center to employees; and set up WiFi-enabled laptops in the Michael Gilligan Student Union Lobby for students to apply for FEMA assistance.

In the aftermath of this unprecedented storm, NJCU's Department of Human Resources continues to keep the University community well

informed about the programs and services available to those affected by Hurricane Sandy. The Department has forwarded numerous communications from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Small Business Administration, and Liberty Savings Federal Credit Union as well as a wealth of information on a wide range of topics, including Hurricane Sandy Recovery Loans repayable through payroll deduction, disaster recovery centers and their hours of operation; assistance deadlines and forms; counseling through the Employee Advisory Service; health, school enrollment, and child care resources and links. Sadly, the Department also continues to include information about con artists, price gouging, identity theft, and charity scams.

Like so many leaders, Dr. Henderson reminds the campus community that "Recovery from the full effects of the storm that has affected our state and our region will take considerable time. Hence, we must make extraordinary efforts to overcome these challenges to meet our obligations to our students."

One such student, Michael Piscal, who is a volunteer firefighter in his home town of North Arlington, wrote a letter to his future grandchildren as a class assignment. In the letter, Mr. Piscal recounted the high winds, flooding, downed trees and power lines, evacuations, and fires of Hurricane Sandy as well as his efforts, sleeplessness, exhaustion, and sorrow. But, he tells his "grandchildren," "we stayed strong and pushed through these hard times... we all came together and made it through the devastating storm called Hurricane Sandy."

NJCU's Art Blakey Jazz Combo performed live on a worldwide show broadcast by WBGO-FM Radio last spring. The Combo was comprised of six students in the Master of Music in Jazz Performance Program: **Barry Spatz**, piano; **Anthony Perez**, bass; **Darrell Smith**, drums; **Kris Cardella '12**, saxophone; **Marcell Bellinger '12**, trumpet; and **Danny Hall '12**, trombone. They performed their own arrangements of repertoire associated with Art Blakey. The Combo is coached by **Joel Weiskopf**, an adjunct instructor of jazz piano.

Dr. Gloria Boseman, a professor of nursing, was one of 19 honorees at the "Diva & Don Gala," which pays tribute to New Jersey men and women in nursing leadership. A health professional who has delivered care to underserved urban residents for more than 30 years, she is an honorary member of the international nursing sorority, Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., and a charter member of the Kappa Eta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. She has been the recipient of many awards, including a 2009 Nurse Recognition Award from the New Jersey League for Nursing, and ones from the NAACP, Howard University, and Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey.

Dr. James F. Broderick, an associate professor of English, has written *Now a Terrifying Motion Picture! Twenty-Five Classic Works of Horror, Adapted from Book to Film*. Released by McFarland Publishing, the book explores the relationship between 25 works of horror literature and the classic films adapted from them.

Andrew Christ, associate vice president for facilities and construction management, is president of the New Jersey Chapter of the Association of Higher Education Facilities Paraprofessionals. His three-year term began in May 2012.

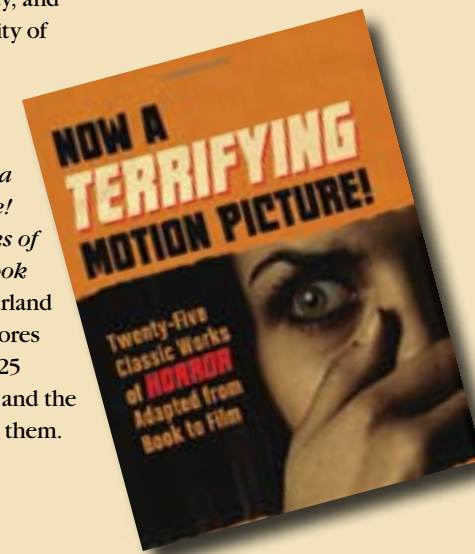
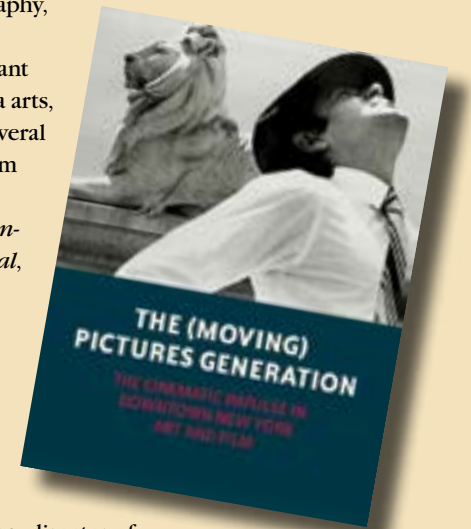
Dr. Allan A. De Fina '77, dean of the Deborah Cannon Partridge Wolfe College of Education, has been named by the New Jersey Department of Education to represent New Jersey's higher education community as a member of the Educator Leader Cadre of the national Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). He will participate in a national initiative to implement Common Core State Standards and transition to PARCC assessments during the 2014-2015 academic year.

Dr. Vera Dika's *The (Moving) Pictures Generation: The Cinematic Impulse in Downtown New York Art and Film* has been published by Palgrave Macmillan. The book is a study of New York City's art world in the late 1970s when Downtown visual artists returned to an exploration of the cinematic across a number of mediums, including sculpture,

drawing, photography, and performance. Dr. Dika, an assistant professor of media arts, is the author of several other books on film and is a founding editor of the *Millennium Film Journal*, which has been published biannually since 1978 and is dedicated to avant-garde cinema theory and practice.

Dr. Keri Giordano, director of the Children's Learning Center, is serving on the New Jersey Council for Young Children's Subcommittee on Infancy and Early Childhood Mental Health and was selected by the New Jersey Department of Education to conduct a field review of the State's new Birth-Three Early Learning Standards.

Carolyn Hunter, supervisor of the Health and Wellness Center, was elected treasurer of the New Jersey College Health Association, assuming the office from **Kathleen Decker**, a nurse in the Center. Ms. Hunter, president emeritus of the Association, has



RETIREES

JANUARY 1, 2011 - JULY 1, 2012

- ROMEO ALVAREZ**, SENIOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORKER, HOUSEKEEPING (1993)
- LYNN BASKIN**, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (1991)
- MARY-ELLEN CAMPBELL**, PROFESSOR OF ART (1978)
- PEGGY COHEN**, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT (1986)
- CAMILLE COLAIEMMA**, PRINCIPAL CLERK TYPIST, HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER (1990)
- ANDREW DICK**, SENIOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORKER, HOUSEKEEPING (1989)
- GAYLE FORD**, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT (1977)
- DR. RICHARD HENDRIX**, DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES (2005)
- DENNIS HARRIS**, OPERATING ENGINEER, BOILER ROOM (2000)
- DR. CARLOS HERNÁNDEZ**, PRESIDENT (1973)
- ARNOLD JETER**, COORDINATOR OF ATHLETIC RETENTION, ATHLETICS (1995)
- DR. MARY MCCULLOUGH**, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF LITERACY EDUCATION (2001)
- JAMES MCLAUGHLIN**, GROUNDSKEEPING, MAINTENANCE SERVICES (1991)
- VICENTE NATIVIDAD**, PROGRAM AIDE, A. HARRY MOORE SCHOOL (1994)
- MATT NELSON**, BOILER ROOM MANAGER, MAINTENANCE (1997)
- WILLIS OUTLAW, JR.**, SECURITY OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (1993)
- ALFREDO RAMOS**, SENIOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE WORKER, HOUSEKEEPING (2000)
- DR. RICHARD RIGGS**, PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS (1964)
- JAMES WALLACE**, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, MEDIA ARTS DEPARTMENT (1981)

been a member of its executive board since 1995; her term expires in May 2013.

Kappa Eta Chapter, NJCU's Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI) nursing honor society, received the 2011 Chapter Key Award at the society's convention in Grapevine, Texas. At the convention, **Connie Sobon Sensor '81** was elected secretary to the international board (*See Page 28.*). The NJCU Chapter was also awarded the Regional Excellence Award from the New Jersey Consortium of STTI Chapters for its humanitarian work in helping to establish clinics and a program of chronic illness management in the Dominican Republic.

Chris Kelly, a graduate student in national security studies, completed an internship with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in September. Mr. Kelly was one of four students selected for the prestigious internship from a pool of 4,500 applicants. He worked for four months in FEMA's Region 2 office in Lower Manhattan, handling research and writing assignments on a variety of projects. "The graduate program at NJCU is absolutely on-point. The classes are reality-based and definitely give you an advantage," he said. A South Plainfield resident, he is a graduate of Rowan University, where he majored in criminal justice and law and minored in psychology.

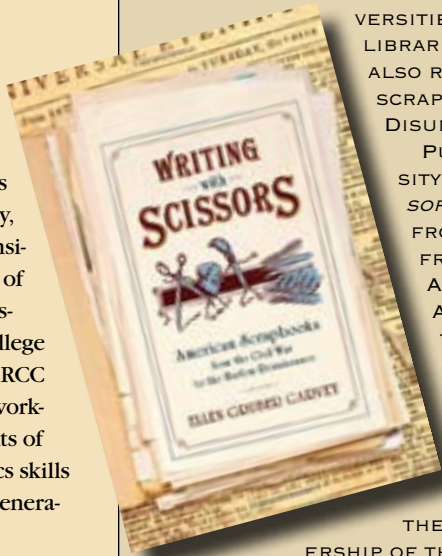
Dr. Frances Levin, co-chair of the Department of Literacy Education and academic director of New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey, is serving on the Bias/Sensitivity Review Committee of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). PARCC is a 21-state consortium working to develop assessments of language and mathematics skills for students of the next generation in grades K-12.

Dr. Jill Lewis-Spector, a professor of literacy education, is vice president of the International Reading Association (IRA), which has 70,000 members in 60 countries around the world. The three-year term began as vice president and concludes as president. First elected to the IRA's Board of Directors in 2004, Dr. Lewis-Spector has also served as president of the American Reading Forum and chair of the Teacher Education Division of the Association of Literacy Education and Researchers, both national organizations.

Dr. Tan Lin, an associate professor of English, received \$25,000 from the "Grants to Artists" program of the Foundation for Contemporary Arts (FCA). Dr. Lin is one of only 14 recipients of the 2012 grants, which are awarded annually to individuals in five categories: dance, music/sound, performance art/theater, poetry, and the visual arts. Dr. Lin is one of two recipients in poetry. The FCA was founded in 1963 by a group of visual artists that included Jasper Johns and John

English Professor's New Book Explores Scrapbooks As Social Media

DR. ELLEN GRUBER GARVEY, PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH, HAS BEEN SPEAKING ABOUT HER NEW BOOK, *WRITING WITH SCISSORS: AMERICAN SCRAPBOOKS FROM THE CIVIL WAR TO THE HARLEM RENAISSANCE*, AT UNIVERSITIES, HISTORICAL SOCIETIES, AND LIBRARIES AROUND THE COUNTRY. SHE ALSO RECENTLY DISCUSSED CIVIL WAR SCRAPBOOKS ON *THE NEW YORK TIMES* DISUNION BLOG.



PUBLISHED BY OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, *WRITING WITH SCISSORS* EXPLORES HOW AMERICANS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE, RANGING FROM FARMERS AND JANITORS TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND SUSAN B. ANTHONY, CREATED SCRAPBOOKS TO DOCUMENT, SHARE, AND CRITIQUE PRESS ACCOUNTS OF EVENTS, THEREBY SHAPING AN ALTERNATE MEDIA AND CREATING THEIR OWN DEMOCRATIC ARCHIVES. BY CUTTING OUT AND PASTING DOWN WHAT

THEY READ, PEOPLE CLAIMED OWNERSHIP OF THEIR READING AND THEN SHARED IT WITH FAMILY AND COMMUNITY, MUCH AS FUTURE GENERATIONS WOULD USE SOCIAL MEDIA.

DR. GARVEY IS ALSO THE AUTHOR OF *THE ADMAN IN THE PARLOR: MAGAZINES AND THE GENDERING OF CONSUMER CULTURE, 1880S-1910S*, WINNER OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF AUTHORSHIP, READING AND PUBLISHING'S PRIZE FOR THE BEST BOOK OF 1996 ON THE HISTORY OF THE BOOK, AND WITH SHARON HARRIS, HELPED TO EDIT *BLUE PENCILS AND HIDDEN HANDS: WOMEN EDITING PERIODICALS*.

A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY SINCE 1994, DR. GARVEY'S TEACHING INTERESTS INCLUDE 19TH-CENTURY AMERICAN LITERATURE, PRINT CULTURE, POPULAR LITERATURE, LESBIAN AND GAY LITERATURE, AND CHILDREN'S LITERATURE. SHE ALSO CO-EDITS THE UNIVERSITY'S *TRANSFORMATIONS: THE JOURNAL OF INCLUSIVE SCHOLARSHIP AND PEDAGOGY*.

Cage. In addition, Dr. Lin's book, *Seven Controlled Vocabularies and Obituary 2004: the Joy of Cooking*, published by Wesleyan University Press, received the 2010 Book Award in Poetry from the Association for Asian American Studies in April 2012.

Bernard Lipat and **Rusty Laracuenti**, both juniors majoring in mathematics, became the first NJCU math students to present at a major national conference when they were featured at the 2012 Joint Mathematics

Meetings (JMM) of the American Mathematical Society (AMS) and Mathematical Association of America (MAA), the largest annual mathematics meeting in the world. Accompanied by **Dr. Yi Ding**, a professor of mathematics, and **Dr. Zhixiong Chen**, an associate professor of mathematics, the students presented on "Modeling the Effects of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Meltdown on the Marine Environment." They also received

NJCU Joins with Library for "The Big Read"

NJCU IS PARTNERING WITH SCOTCH PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY IN A SERIES OF EVENTS CELEBRATING "THE BIG READ" OF JULIA ALVAREZ'S HISTORIC FICTION, *IN THE TIME OF THE BUTTERFLIES*. "THE BIG READ" IS AN INITIATIVE OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS THAT ENCOURAGES ENTIRE COMMUNITIES TO READ AND EXPLORE A SINGLE BOOK TOGETHER.

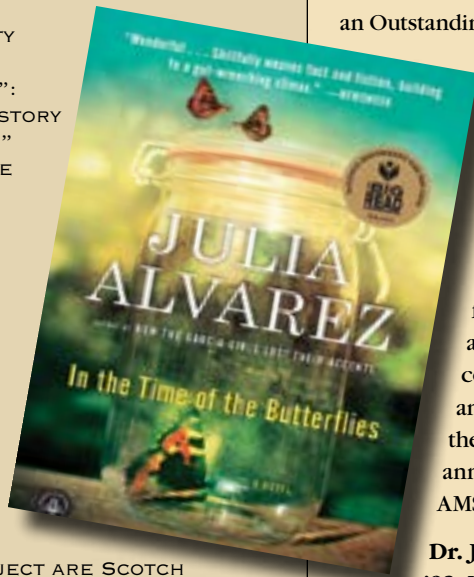
MEMBERS OF THE NJCU FACULTY WILL LECTURE ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS AS PART OF "THE BIG READ":

- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28: "HISTORY OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC," **DR. JOSÉ MORALES**, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY
- THURSDAY, MARCH 21: "THE LATIN AMERICAN NOVEL AS HISTORY," **DR. DAVID BLACKMORE**, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH
- THURSDAY, APRIL 11: "THE WOMEN IN JULIA ALVAREZ'S FICTION," **DR. GRISEL LÓPEZ-DÍAZ**, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MODERN LANGUAGES.

LECTURES BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M. AT SCOTCH PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1927 BARTLE AVENUE. ADDITIONAL PARTNERS IN THE PROJECT ARE SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF UNION COUNTY, INC., AND THE FRIENDS OF SCOTCH PLAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY.

THE LOGO FOR "THE BIG READ" WAS DESIGNED BY **ANA RODRIGUES**, A GRADUATE STUDENT IN THE MASTER OF FINE ARTS PROGRAM.

FOR A COMPLETE CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR "THE BIG READ," VISIT WWW.SCOTLIB.ORG.



an Outstanding Presentation Award during the meeting's Undergraduate Student Poster Session. More than 7,200 mathematicians, exhibitors, and students from 36 countries attended the annual conference, the 95th annual meeting of the MAA and the 118th annual meeting of the AMS.

Dr. Jo-Anne Mecca '93, M.A. '95, director of the Center for Teaching Preparation and Partnerships, has been appointed to the Board of Trustees of Bergen Community College by County Executive Kathleen A. Donovan. She will serve a four-year term.

Steve Otero, a senior repairman in the Department of Facilities and Construction Management, received an Athletic Appreciation Award from the NJCU Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. The Award recognizes Mr. Otero's outstanding efforts in maintaining the facilities at the John J. Moore Athletics and Fitness Center, including the installation of the All-America and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference award displays in the building lobby.

Dr. Howard Parish '62, professor *emeritus* of geoscience/geography and chair of the United Way of Hudson County, was one of three honorees at the Annual Evening of Tribute at the Bayonne Jewish Community Center (BJCC). BJCC is a non-sectarian social service agency that has provided local residents with outstanding social, cultural, recreational, and educational activities since 1952.

IN MEMORIAM

WILLIS CALDWELL, WHO DIED IN DECEMBER 2011, WAS A PARKING ATTENDANT IN THE DIVISION OF PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, 1990-2011.

GRACE FLUELLEN, 67, WHO DIED ON JUNE 18, 2012, WORKED AS A SENIOR CLERK TYPIST, 1991-2003, AT A. HARRY MOORE SCHOOL. SHE WAS A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST WITH THE NAACP, URBAN LEAGUE, AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORICAL MUSEUM, PHI DELTA KAPPA SORORITY, AND MONUMENTAL BAPTIST CHURCH, ALL IN JERSEY CITY.

DR. ANNETTE LESIEGE, AN ACCOMPLISHED CLASSICAL COMPOSER, DIED ON AUGUST 26. SHE HAD SERVED NJCU AS AN ASSISTANT DEAN AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MUSIC, 1998-2009, AND WAS NAMED PROFESSOR *EMERITA* OF MUSIC IN JUNE. DR. LESIEGE RETIRED TO ROCKLAND, MAINE AND LATER MOVED TO MARINA, CALIFORNIA.

ROSE LOBOSCO, 80, WHO DIED ON FEBRUARY 9, 2012, WAS A SENIOR CLERK TYPIST IN THE OFFICE OF CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT, 1969-1997. A NATIVE AND LONGTIME RESIDENT OF JERSEY CITY, SHE LIVED IN WHITING AND SKILLMAN AFTER SHE RETIRED.

DR. DOROTHY MENOSKY, PROFESSOR *EMERITA* OF LITERACY EDUCATION, DIED ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2012. SHE RETIRED IN 1997 TO BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, WHERE SHE ENJOYED THE COMPANY OF CLOSE FRIENDS AND CONTINUED TO MENTOR TEACHERS AND DOCTORAL STUDENTS UNTIL RECENTLY. SHE ALSO ENJOYED PHOTOGRAPHY AS A HOBBY.

ROBERT S. NUGENT, WHO WORKED IN THE THEN-FORREST IRWIN LIBRARY, 1959-1993, AND SERVED AS LIBRARY DIRECTOR FOR MANY YEARS PRIOR TO HIS RETIREMENT, DIED ON NOVEMBER 30. A NATIVE OF JERSEY CITY AND A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GLEN RIDGE, HE DIED AT HIS

DAUGHTER'S HOME ON CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND, VIRGINIA. MR. NUGENT WAS A U.S. NAVY VETERAN.

MEGAN A. OUTLAW, 28, A BIOLOGY MAJOR WHO INTERRUPTED HER STUDIES FOR BREAST CANCER TREATMENTS, DIED SEPTEMBER 8, 2011 AFTER A FOUR-YEAR BATTLE WITH THE DISEASE. SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF BETTY OUTLAW AND WILLIS OUTLAW, JR., A RECENTLY RETIRED MEMBER OF THE NJCU DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

ESTHER PENCHANSKY, WHO WORKED AT THEN-JERSEY CITY STATE COLLEGE 1967-1992, DIED ON MAY 27. PRIOR TO HER RETIREMENT FROM THE COLLEGE, MRS. PENCHANSKY WAS A CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO THE LATE DR. WILLIAM MAXWELL '58 IN THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.

JULIAN ROBINSON, 82, WHO SERVED AS DEAN OF STUDENTS AND VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT SERVICES, 1970-1994, DIED ON FEBRUARY 24, 2012.

MR. ROBINSON HAD ALSO SERVED ON THE FIRST BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JERSEY CITY STATE COLLEGE, 1967-1970. IN 1969, MR. ROBINSON, WHO HAD BEEN A COMMISSIONER ON THE NEW JERSEY HIGHWAY AUTHORITY, WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAN TO RUN FOR MAYOR OF JERSEY CITY.

MARY SCHMIDT, 70, WHO DIED ON MARCH 10, 2012, WORKED AS A CLERK TYPIST IN THE OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS FOR 12 YEARS PRIOR TO HER DEATH. A LIFELONG JERSEY CITY RESIDENT, SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN, AND FOUR GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

DOLORES R. SMITH, 86, WHO DIED ON JUNE 24, 2012, WAS A PAYROLL CLERK, 1981-1991. A JERSEY CITY NATIVE AND LONGTIME RESIDENT, SHE LIVED IN SCOTIA, PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS.

Sam Platizky '06, secretary of NJCU's American Federation of Teachers Local 1839, won the Gold Kahuna Award at the 2012 Honolulu Film Awards and the Silver Ace Award at the 2012 Las Vegas Film Festival for his film, "Red Scare," which was also screened at the Golden Door International Film Festival of Jersey City in October. Many of Mr. Platizky's cast and crew were NJCU alumni and students.

Dr. José Rodeiro, a professor of art, collaborated with renowned poet Alan Britt on two publishing ventures related to the anniversary of 9/11. Dr. Rodeiro's painting, "9/11/2001," was selected for the cover of Mr. Britt's latest book of poetry, *Alone in the Terrible Universe*. His artwork, which alludes directly to Picasso's "Guernica," also accompanies one of Mr. Britt's poems in *International Gallery Magazine*.

Jane Steuerwald, a professor of media arts, was among the honorees at the 2012 Women's History Month ceremony co-hosted by Hudson County Executive Thomas A. DeGise, the Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Hudson County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs/Tourism Department. Ms. Steuerwald is an accomplished filmmaker whose works have been shown throughout the United States, including screenings at the Museum of Modern Art, National Gallery of Art, and Black Maria Film and Video Festival.

Roseanna Vitro, an adjunct professor of jazz voice, was nominated for a 2012 Grammy Award in the "Best Jazz Vocal Album of the Year" category for her most recent album, *The Music of Randy Newman*. The nominated album, Ms. Vitro's



12th, was released in May 2011 and features ten original songs by Mr. Newman.

Dr. Lois Weiner, a professor of elementary and secondary education, was awarded a Fulbright Specialists Program grant to assist the education of faculty and graduate students at Universidad Distrital, Francisco Jose De Caldas University in Bogota, Colombia. Dr. Weiner was invited to Colombia's largest public university to assist its education faculty in addressing Ministry of Education mandates related to standards for primary and secondary schools. She also assisted graduate students in planning doctoral work in the United States, and gave lectures and seminars on the subject of neo-liberalism's global transformation of education policy.

Dr. Joseph S. Weisberg '60, professor *emeritus* of geography/geoscience, will serve on the Advisory Council on Solid Waste Management through November 2014. His appointment by Governor Chris Christie was confirmed by the New Jersey State Senate. Comprised of members from the public, industry, and medical community, the Council advises the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner on solid waste management.

Vocal Students Take Top Prizes in Competition

STUDENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC, DANCE AND THEATRE WON TOP AWARDS IN THE NEW JERSEY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING, INC. (NATS) 2012 FESTIVAL OF SINGING COMPETITION, WHICH WAS HOSTED BY THE UNIVERSITY.

THE STUDENTS AND THEIR AWARDS INCLUDE **ANGELA ROSE IANNAcone**, A GRADUATE STUDENT IN VOCAL PERFORMANCE, FIRST PLACE IN ADVANCED-LEVEL MUSICAL THEATRE; **ANDREW DARLING '12**, A SENIOR MAJORING IN VOICE PERFORMANCE, SECOND PLACE IN THE UPPER-LEVEL MEN CATEGORY; **NAOMI ORTIZ**, A SOPHOMORE MAJORING IN VOCAL PERFORMANCE WITH TEACHING CERTIFICATION, FIRST PLACE IN FRESHMAN WOMEN; AND **SAMILLE GANGES**, A SENIOR MAJORING IN MUSICAL THEATRE, FIRST PLACE IN UNDERGRADUATE MUSICAL THEATRE.

THE FESTIVAL FEATURED CONTESTANTS FROM THE EASTERN REGION OF NATS, WHICH INCLUDES COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN DELAWARE, NEW JERSEY, NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, WEST VIRGINIA, AND QUEBEC. NATS IS THE LARGEST PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING IN THE WORLD, REPRESENTING 7,000 MEMBERS IN MORE THAN 25 COUNTRIES.



Juan Vasquez

"AKA Cheese"



Boulevard Drinks

"Jersey City: 24 Hours in Public Places"



White Mana



La Perfecta Supermarket

Student Films Place First and Second in N.J. Young Film and Videomaker's Festival

"AKA CHEESE," A VIDEO PORTRAIT OF JERSEY CITY GRAFFITI ARTIST JUAN VASQUEZ BY **NANDY SANTOS '12** AND SENIOR **MAKISHA RODRIGUEZ**, WON FIRST PLACE AND "JERSEY CITY: 24 HOURS IN PUBLIC PLACES," A VIDEO DOCUMENTARY PRODUCED BY MEDIA ARTS STUDENTS THAT EXPLORES THE CITY'S DIVERSE CULTURAL, HISTORIC, GRITTY, AND ECCENTRIC PLACES, WON SECOND PLACE IN THE COLLEGE CATEGORY OF THE 38TH ANNUAL NEW JERSEY YOUNG FILM AND VIDEO MAKERS FESTIVAL SHOWCASE.

"AKA CHEESE" EXPLORES THE FOUR MAJOR PILLARS OF THE HIP-HOP CULTURE THROUGH THE EYES OF MR. VASQUEZ, A.K.A. "CHEESE," AS HE FOCUSES ON THE STREET ART ELEMENT, GRAFFITI. THE CHALLENGE FOR THE FILMMAKERS WAS TO CONVEY THE IMPORTANCE OF HIP-HOP CULTURE AS WELL AS ITS ROLE IN INSPIRING GRAFFITI AS A TRULY ORIGINAL, ALBEIT CONTROVERSIAL, ART FORM. ACCORDING TO MR. VASQUEZ, GRAFFITI IS NOT LIMITED TO WORDS AND PAINT, "IT'S AN URBAN REVOLUTION."

"JERSEY CITY: 24 HOURS IN PUBLIC PLACES" WAS INSPIRED BY NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO'S "NYC: 24 HOURS IN PUBLIC PLACES," A DOCUMENTARY CREATED IN THE 1980S BY AUDIO PRODUCERS. THE FILMMAKERS, LIKE THE PRODUCERS, RECORDED LIFE AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AT DIFFERENT TIMES OF THE DAY AND NIGHT.

THE STUDENTS WORKED IN TEAMS COVERING SOUND, VIDEO, AND STILL PHOTOGRAPHY. EACH TEAM PRODUCED A 60-SECOND SEGMENT AT LOCATIONS RANGING FROM THE JUSTICE BRENNAN COURTHOUSE AND THE COLGATE CLOCK TO THE LANDMARK LOEW'S JERSEY THEATRE AND WHITE MANA FAST FOOD DINER.

JASON ROQUE, SUPERVISOR OF AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICES IN THE MEDIA ARTS DEPARTMENT, WAS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR. THE MUSICAL SCORE WAS WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY **JOSE AHUMADA**, A SENIOR MAJORING IN MUSIC EDUCATION WHO ALSO SPECIALIZES IN COMPOSITION FOR FILM AND VIDEO.

THE PROJECT GREW OUT OF A CLASS CREATED AND TAUGHT BY **JANE STEUERWALD**, A PROFESSOR OF MEDIA ARTS, AS PART OF "THE URBAN EXPERIENCE," THE FIRST THEMED SEMESTER OFFERED BY NJCU'S WILLIAM J. MAXWELL COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

THE NEW JERSEY YOUNG FILM AND VIDEO MAKERS' FESTIVAL IS A PROJECT OF THE BLACK MARIA FILM AND VIDEO FESTIVAL, AN INTERNATIONAL JURIED COMPETITION AND TRAVELING SHOWCASE OF INDEPENDENT WORKS BASED AT NJCU.



Colgate Clock



Dr. Sandra Bloomberg

College of Professional Studies

Is on the Right Course to Become Center of Excellence in New Jersey

By Dr. Sandra Bloomberg

I began working at New Jersey City University in the summer of 1998. Like so many, I was first drawn to this institution because of its mission of excellence and opportunity, but had the good fortune to arrive at an exceptionally exciting time – a time when it was transitioning from Jersey City State College to New Jersey City University and its three schools were transforming into three separate colleges.

My arrival marked two firsts: I was the first external dean ever hired as well as the first dean of NJCU's recently-formed College of Professional Studies (CPS).

I came to the position with extensive experience in higher education, having held leadership positions in an array of health-related and professional disciplines, making me a good "fit" to help the College of Professional Studies become a center of excellence for professional education in New Jersey. But, I also came to the position as a first-generation college graduate myself, helping me to better understand what the majority of students

at NJCU were going through and knowing that it was imperative that our College provide them with the opportunities necessary to benefit from an excellent education.

At the time of my arrival, the College of Professional Studies was comprised of five departments: Business Administration, Criminal Justice/Fire Science/Security, Health Sciences, Nursing, and Sports and Leisure Studies. Each department offered an undergraduate degree program and the Business Administration, Criminal Justice, and Health Sciences Departments also offered master's degree programs.

I was fortunate to join a College where the faculty and administration were deeply committed to the University's mission and to providing an excellent broad-based professional education with a strong liberal arts component. And, we were all fortunate to have students, then reflective primarily of Hudson County and the surrounding region, who brought a richness of cultural and work experiences as well as a



The College of Professional Studies is housed in the Professional Studies and Education Building.



Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno (seated center), NJCU vice president for academic affairs; Dr. Sandra Bloomberg (standing fourth from left) and professional security studies faculty members Dr. John Collins (standing third from left), a professor and chair; Dr. Michael Krantz (standing fifth from left), an associate professor; and Dr. Tsung Y. "Bill" Soo Hoo (standing sixth from left), an associate professor, gathered with students in the doctoral program's first Learning Community: (seated from left) Arthur A. Liberty, Ron Hurley '00, '09 M.S., an adjunct professor in the department; Sylvia Presto, Tim Matheus, Thomas Shea, and George E. Alakpa and (standing from left) Marco Valdivia, Michael Zarro, Marguerite "Peggy" Griffin, an assistant professor of business administration; Angelo Zecca, Bernard Jones, Ruddys Andrade '01 M.S., associate vice president for academic affairs, grants and sponsored programs; and Greg Bernard.

Doctoral Degree Program Is a First for NJCU

The College of Professional Studies has enrolled its first students for the Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) in Civil Security Leadership, Management and Policy Degree Program, the University's first doctoral degree program.

The Program ensures that all students are immersed in a generalist civil security curriculum incorporating the three distinct areas recognized by the American Society of Industrial Security (ASIS) International: national, corporate, and information assurance/cyber security. The D.Sc. is a scholar-practitioner degree with a strong research and analysis component that is ultimately demonstrated by a successful dissertation. Completion of this degree prepares one to assume executive-level responsibilities of a major security position within government or business. This terminal degree will also prepare students to become college-level educators in the professional security field at institutions that require candidates to hold doctoral degrees from an accredited program.

Students who meet experience requirements within the appropriate security domain(s) will be prepared to take the examination leading to board-certification as a Certified Protection Professional (CPP™). Students that already possess the CPP™ designation

will assist in mentoring their classmates in preparation for the examination.

The unique scholar-practitioner structure of this degree program boasts a full-time and adjunct faculty with appropriate doctoral degrees, professional certification(s), and a minimum of 15 years of professional security experience.

NJCU received designation as a National Center of Academic Excellence (CAE) by the National Security Agency (NSA) in 2009. NSA's CAE designations are considered reciprocal with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) – authorizing various research projects, grants, and scholarships for security professionals that are participating in D.Sc. degree program.

The first group enrolled in July 2012 and a second Learning Community (LC) of 30-35 doctoral students will enter the three-year program this summer. In addition to online coursework, LC members are required to attend residential programs for two weeks each summer and four weekends during the academic year.

NJCU's second doctoral degree offering, a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in educational technology has recently received approval and will welcome its first class next summer (See Page 8.).

desire to advance, characteristics unparalleled at other colleges in our state's higher education system.

The mission of the College of Professional Studies was to graduate individuals with the skills, abilities, knowledge, and ways of thinking that encouraged their growth as ethical professionals who valued lifelong learning – who were also well-informed, responsible global citizens. Given this mission and commitment to its students, the College's faculty, administration, and staff began exploring the myriad opportunities for enrollment growth, new program development and expansion, a greater state-wide presence, and better globalization of our already multi-ethnic student population.

In 2004, with the participation of the entire faculty, we engaged in a major strategic planning effort to assess the College's strengths, weaknesses, threats, and opportunities and to revisit the vision and mission. We defined the new vision of the College of Professional Studies as "...becoming a center of excellence for professional education in which a diverse body of students, scholars, and practitioners form an intellectually challenging and socially responsible community that fosters life-long learning and prepares productive members for local and global societies." The mission was "...to educate individuals from diverse communities to succeed in their professional goals and personal aspirations, and to effectively contribute to society."

This vision and this mission, reaffirmed in 2009, continue to guide our principles and planning as the faculty, staff, and students continue to make remarkable progress towards their realization and as the College of Professional Studies advances closer to becoming the center of excellence for professional education in the State of New Jersey.

The faculty of the Business Administration Department have taken another step in this direction by forwarding a proposal to the University Senate. They have proposed a change from "Department"

to "School of Business" with four discrete departments: Accounting, Finance, Management, and Marketing. The proposal has reached the final step in the Senate process and, if approved, will be presented to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and the President for review. If endorsed, it will then move to the Board of Trustees for consideration this spring.

The Business Administration Department faculty are certainly representative of all College of Professional Studies faculty in that they are all extremely talented and committed. During my tenure as Dean, 24 new faculty have been added to the College's roster. It was and remains critical that all have strong academic and experiential credentials as surveys of our students consistently show they are pursuing an education to enter or advance in a professional career or to move on to graduate studies. Thus, it is important that our faculty have the necessary academic and professional expertise and networks to assist our students in their career paths.

Each and every day, I think about our students. Is what we are doing really helping them and making a difference? And, are they receiving the best possible education? It appears so.

The College of Professional Studies now has departments with some of the highest number of students and offers a doctoral program, baccalaureate and master's degree opportunities, and certificate programs. It is now effectively reaching students throughout the state, regionally, and internationally – and surveys of graduates consistently indicate the highest level of student satisfaction.

But, our successes would never have been possible without the unwavering and complete support of the University's administrative leadership. The College of Professional Studies has always supported the University mission, and we look forward to continuing to advance excellence and opportunity under our new President.



Sandra L. Bloomberg, Ph.D.

A seasoned educator with extensive experience as a faculty member and administrator, Dr. Sandra Bloomberg has served as dean of the College of Professional Studies since 1998. As dean, Dr. Bloomberg oversees seven academic departments and 32 programs, manages a \$12,656,701 budget, supervises approximately 48 full-time faculty, 135 adjunct faculty, and 20 professional and clerical personnel, and is responsible for all aspects of the academic and fiscal affairs for the College of Professional Studies.

Prior to joining the NJCU staff, Dr. Bloomberg served as director of medical and allied health education at Catholic Medical Centers of Brooklyn and Queens. Prior to her position at the Medical Centers, she served the State University of New York/Health Science Center at Brooklyn (Downstate Medical Center) College of Health Related Professions as acting dean, 1992-95, and associate dean, 1987-1991. Dr. Bloomberg was also founding director of Downstate Medical Center's Cardiovascular Perfusion Program, which was operated in collaboration with the Department of Cardiology.

Dr. Bloomberg has also served St. Francis College in Brooklyn as coordinator of its Gerontological Services Program, 1981-1982; as a faculty member, 1983-1987; and as chairperson of its Allied Health Department, 1985-1987.

Her first professional position in higher education was as an instructor/assistant professor in the Health and Physical Education Department at then-Wilkes College, where she also coached women's varsity field hockey and basketball and established the women's tennis team.

Dr. Bloomberg holds a Ph.D. in health sciences and a Gerontology Certificate from the University of Utah; an M.A. in health education in secondary schools, colleges and universities from New York University; a B.A. in psychology and teaching certification K-8 from then-Wilkes College, and certification in health and physical education (K-12) from East Stroudsburg State University.

The Evolution of the College of Professional Studies

2001

The Business Administration Department is awarded its first accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP); the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is established and will subsequently serve several thousand community residents annually.

2002

Through the CPS, NJCU is one of only 200 campuses nationwide to be designated a Carnegie Academy Campus by the American Association of Higher Education and Carnegie Foundation; the Criminal Justice Program is the first in New Jersey to undergo national precertification by the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences.

2003

NJCU is the first in New Jersey and only the third in the New York metropolitan area to offer a Master of Science (M.S.) Degree in Accounting totally online; the Criminal Justice/Fire Science/Security Department becomes the first to participate in Communiversi, a partnership with Brookdale Community College that establishes NJCU's off-campus site in Wall Township, where 13 CPS programs are now offered; the Sports and Leisure Studies Department changes its focus and name to the Fitness, Exercise and Sports Department.

2004

A unique M.S. in Finance Program enables graduates to sit for national and international examinations leading to Certified Financial Planner Certification and Chartered Financial Analyst designation; the CPS begins offering New Jersey's only four-year Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree Program in Fire Science, described by the Director for the National Fire Academy as "...one of the three best programs in the nation"; the CPS first begins to develop what have continued to be discipline-specific dual admission agreements with Brookdale Community College, Hudson County Community College, Essex Community College, and Middlesex Community College.

2005

NJCU's Business Development Incubator (BDI) opens and integrates capstone experiences for graduate M.B.A. students to support start-up business.

2006

A series of courses complementing the M.S. in Accounting Program prepares students to sit for the Certified Management Accountant certification examination; the Health Sciences Department's graduate certification program in school nursing is approved; the Bachelor of Science Degree Program in National Security Studies and Master of Science Degree Program in National Security Studies with specializations in national, corporate, and information assurance are developed.

2007

The accelerated, second degree, B.S. in nursing program, which currently enjoys a 92% pass rate, is approved; graduate business programs are also offered at Harborside in Jersey City's Financial District.

2008

CPS graduate business programs begin recruiting Chinese students for M.S. and M.B.A. programs in collaboration with the International Academic Alliance; a five-year B.S. to M.S. in Accounting (bridge) Program is introduced.

2009

An M.B.A. Program with specializations in finance, marketing, and organizational management and

leadership is introduced; NJCU, through the Professional Security Studies Department, is recognized as a National Center for Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by the National Security Agency and Office of Homeland Security.

2010

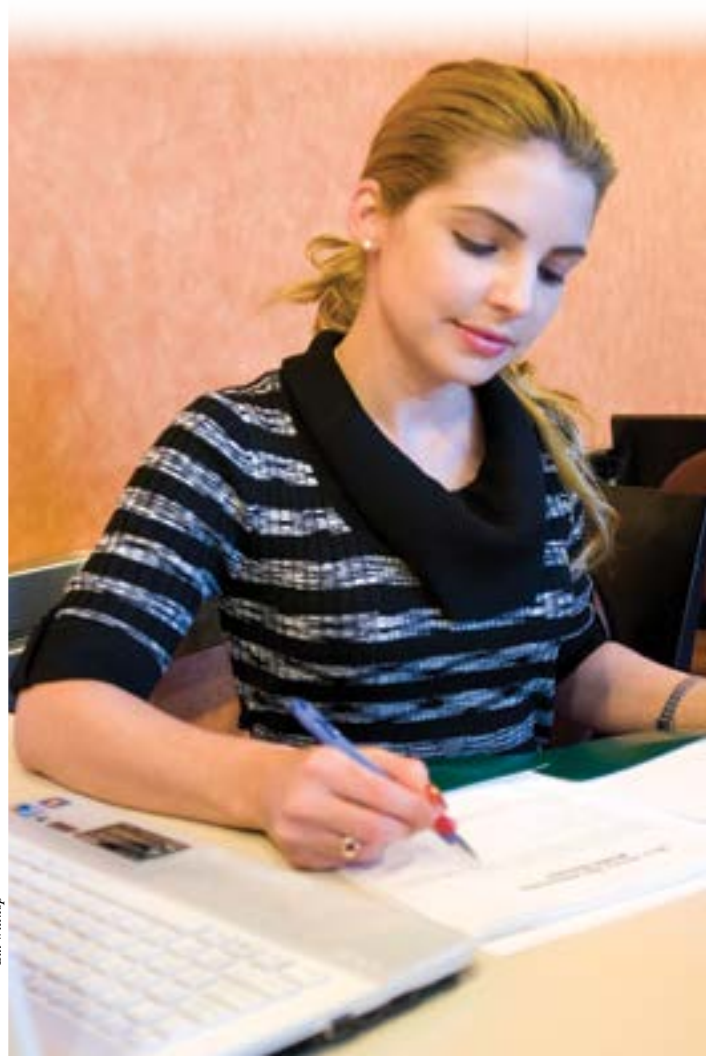
The Business Administration Department receives University and State approval to offer five bachelor's degrees instead of one, the B.S. in: accounting, finance, management, marketing, and business administration (for specializations in international business or travel and tourism management); the R.N.-B.S.N. Program, in partnership with Hudson County Community College, receives a \$4.5 million, five-year Title V federal grant.

2011

The Student Investment Management (SIM) group, which invests and monitors a security fund, places second in the "Core Investment" category of the annual "Redefining Investment Strategy Education (R.I.S.E.)" conference, the largest international investment competition in the world; the Professional Security Studies Department offers all courses in its B.S. program at Middlesex Community College; the Student American Marketing Association is awarded first place at the National AMA Conference for its video project promoting organ donation.

2012

The CPS initiates dual admission agreements with Central University for Finance and Economics in Beijing and with Dongbei University of Finance and Economics in the port city of Dalian; the CPS offers NJCU's first doctoral degree program in civil security leadership, management and policy (See Page 22.); the CPS registers a 99% increase in graduate and undergraduate enrollment since 2001.



The eighth annual New Jersey City University Donor Soirée drew dozens of supporters to a festive gathering in the Gothic Lounge on December 6.

Hosted by the Division of University Advancement on behalf of the NJCU Foundation, Inc., the event provided an opportunity to acknowledge significant donations from businesses, corporations, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends of the University during the past fiscal year. The reception also provided an opportunity for scholarship recipients to meet their benefactors.

Entertainment was provided by voice students from the Department of Music, Dance and Theatre, who performed selections from *La Traviata*, *Le Nozze Di Figaro*, and *Die Fledermaus*.

The NJCU Foundation supports the mission of the University through student scholarships, faculty development, and facility enhancement.



1. Dr. Sue Henderson (left), NJCU president, and John J. Moore, Esq. '56, trustee emeritus, converse with students Jenna Ravenda, a junior majoring in music education, and Marcelo Leal, a sophomore majoring in music. Ms. Ravenda is a recipient of a George Hansler Choral Music Scholarship and Mr. Leal is a recipient of a Bergen Foundation Scholarship.

2. Anthony Laciura, an adjunct member of the music faculty, makes introductory remarks about "Champagne Toast" from *Die Fledermaus* by Johann Strauss.

3. From left are: Daryl Rand, founder and president of Harrison Rand; Maria Nieves, executive director of the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce, and Dr. Rosemary McGee, vice chair of the NJCU Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors.

4. Representatives of Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity, which donates an annual scholarship to the NJCU Foundation, Inc., meet with Dr. Henderson (third from right). From left are Susan Jankowski, Ted Jankowski '78, Joseph C. Conti '72, Kathy Conti, and Frank R. Buglione '70, M.A. '71.

5. Huda Ayyad, a senior majoring in political science and a recipient of a Karnoutsos Scholarship, meets with Dr. George Karnoutsos '55, a retired professor of philosophy who endowed the Scholarship.

6. William Y. Fellenberg (left), interim vice president for university advancement and interim executive director of the NJCU Foundation, Inc., visits with Dr. Timothy White, an assistant professor of history, and Danay Sierra, a senior majoring in modern languages. Ms. Sierra was the recipient of a Susan and Elihu Rose Foundation Scholarship, which enabled her to study in Peru last summer.

7. Dr. Henderson greets Dr. M. Jerry Weiss (center), a distinguished service professor of communications emeritus for whom NJCU's M. Jerry Weiss Center for Children's and Young Adult Literature is named, and Helen Weiss.

8. Donor Soirée guests Evangelina Pergaminos (left) and her daughter Sonia Andrade

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Commencement 2012

Celebrating Academic



An honorary doctor of humane letters degree was bestowed upon Emanuel Araujo at New Jersey City University's 2012 Commencement on Wednesday, May 16 at the IZOD Center in East Rutherford. Joining Mr. Araujo (right), a Brazilian artist who is founder and director of the Museu Afro Brasil in Sao Paulo, are (from left): Rafael Perez, Esq., chair of the Board of Trustees; Dominick D'Agosta, chair of the NJCU Foundation Board of Directors; Dr. Carlos Hernández, then president of NJCU; Ambassador Luiz Felipe de Seixas Correa, Consul General of Brazil in New York, and Jane Sepulveda, president of the Class of 2012. Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno, vice president for academic affairs, presided over the ceremony.



Class of 2012 by the Numbers

Total graduates: 1,658
Total bachelor's degrees: 1,220
Bachelor of Arts: 515
Bachelor of Fine Arts: 12
Bachelor of Music: 8
Bachelor of Science: 568
Bachelor of Science in Nursing: 117
Total master's degrees: 438
Master of Arts: 214
Master of Fine Arts: 2
Master of Arts in Teaching: 113
Master of Business Administration: 12
Master of Music: 12
Master of Science: 75
Master of Arts in Educational Psychology and Professional Diploma in School Psychology: 2
Professional Diplomas in School Psychology: 8

ACHIEVEMENT



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Legacy & Promise Tribute & Gala

An Evening to Remember

More than 500 guests paid tribute to two NJCU presidents at the Legacy and Promise Tribute and Gala on October 18 at The Westin Jersey City Newport in Jersey City. Presented by the NJCU Foundation, Inc., the elegant event honored Dr. Sue Henderson on the beginning of her tenure as NJCU's 12th president and Dr. Carlos Hernández on his retirement.

The gala raised more than \$188,000 for the NJCU Foundation, which provides support for the University and its students. Leading sponsors included DiversityInc, Congressman Frank J. Guarini, Provident Bank Foundation, and United Way of Hudson County.

The program featured the presentation of NJCU's Global Leadership Award to Dr. Hernández by Rafael Perez, Esq., chair of the Board of Trustees, and Dominick D'Agosta, chair of the NJCU Foundation Board of Directors.

The NJCU Jazz Ensembles provided music under the direction of Dr. Edward Joffe, a professor of music and coordinator of jazz studies.



1. Dr. Sue Henderson, NJCU president, and Dr. Carlos Hernández (second from right), past president, with event co-chairs Rafael Perez, Esq., (left), chair of the Board of Trustees, and Dominick D'Agosta, chair of the NJCU Foundation Board of Directors



2. Daniel Altilio (left), president and CPO of United Way of Hudson County, and Ambassador Clay Constantinou (Ret.) '73, '99 (Hon.), honorary chair of the event; with Ruddys Andrade (right), '01 M.S., associate vice president for academic affairs, grants and sponsored programs and vice chair of the gala planning committee.



3. Lillian Hernández, Ben Jones, professor emeritus of art, and Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno (right), vice president for academic affairs



4. Dr. Sandra Bloomberg, dean of the College of Professional Studies, Dr. Bobdan Yaworsky (center), retired professor of criminal justice/security, and Dr. John Melendez '88 M.A., vice president for student affairs.



5. John Nevin '73 M.A., retired vice president for university advancement, and John J. Moore, Esq. '56 (right), trustee emeritus



6. Dr. Henderson and Congressman Frank J. Guarini, who recently made a signature gift of \$1 million to the University (See Page 4.)



7. Dr. Barbara Feldman (left), dean of the William J. Maxwell College of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Henderson join Dr. George Karnoutsos '55, retired professor of philosophy and NJCU benefactor.



8. Nancy Visconti and Luke Visconti (standing), co-founder and CEO of DiversityInc and a member of the NJCU Foundation Board of Directors, join Deanna D'Agosta and Mr. D'Agosta.



9. Dr. Allan A. De Fina '77, dean of the Deborah Cannon Partridge Wolfe College of Education, joins Leah Jackson, an academic advisor in the University Advisement Center, on the dance floor.

Photos 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 8 by Bill Wittkop

Photos 3, 7, and 9 by Dave Hollander

Development UPDATE

While many faculty members at NJCU impart gifts of knowledge, inspiration, and encouragement to their students, some also provide them with practical support by making scholarships available. Recently, three new scholarships honoring former faculty members were established through the NJCU Foundation.

In October 2011, hundreds of friends attended a retirement celebration for Professor *Emeritus* Ben Jones, a world renowned artist and a member of the art faculty for four decades. The event, which included the sale of Professor Jones' art work, raised \$100,000 to establish the Ben Jones Endowed Scholarship Fund. Professor Jones has made significant contributions to the University through the decades and has been equally generous with his time, as an active member of several groups on campus and an ever-present guest at art openings and campus events.

"Our students really need and appreciate scholarship assistance because so many of them are from working-class families," said Professor Jones, who noted that applicants for his scholarship will be required to list their community service. "The most important thing in life is that we are willing to serve one another and build better communities."

Professor *Emeritus* George Hansler has established the George Hansler Choral Music Scholarship with a gift of \$100,000, which will be presented annually to students studying choral music. Dr. Hansler taught music and directed choral groups at then-Jersey City State College, 1958-1991. A former resident

of New York City, he now lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, near his sister Elsie Trapp and other family members. For many years following his retirement in 1991 he held reunions for former students at his summer home on the New Jersey shore that always included performances of choral works. Dr. Hansler said many times through the years that he was especially pleased to have taught such diverse and enthusiastic students, most of whom were the first in their families to attend college.

The NJCU Foundation has also received a gift of \$50,000 to establish a scholarship in memory of Dr. Janak Batra Chopra, who taught mathematics at then-Jersey City State College for more than three decades. The gift was made through the estate of her husband, Kewal Chopra, a faculty member at Rutgers University who died in May 2011. The scholarship donation has been matched by a \$50,000 U.S. Department of Education Title V Grant.

Dr. Janak Chopra earned four degrees from the University of



Punjab as well as a master of education degree from the University of Delhi and a doctoral degree from the University of London. She died shortly after her retirement in 1992.

"These three faculty members have all been known through the years for their exceptional dedication to their students," said Lori Summers, director of development. "It is indeed heartening to know that the scholarships that carry their names will continue to assist NJCU students into the future."



New scholarships honor (from top) Ben Jones, Dr. George Hansler, and the late Dr. Janak Batra Chopra.

Touching the FUTURE

\$300,000 in Newly Endowed Scholarships
HONOR FACULTY MEMBERS

By Pat Martínez

Alumni NEWS



Bill Withkop

Back in the Game. Alumni representing soccer teams from several decades took to the field on August 25 against the NJCU Men's Soccer Team. The Soccer Extravaganza was co-hosted by the Office of Alumni Relations and the Department of Athletics. Participants included alumni Veronica Lavarro '97, Mickael Pereira '11, Jack Thompson '67, Thomas Cappello '76, Scott Modzelewski '09, Francis P. Raftery '62, William McClung '67, David R. Malefsky '78, and Marcelo Carpio '09; students Walter Avans, Lionel T. Emabat, Olu H. Seydou, and Nabil Wabbi, and former student John Bernal.



Cocktails in Hoboken. The Office of Alumni Relations hosted a Gothic Alumni Connection Social and Professional Networking Event in August at the W Hotel in Hoboken that was attended by dozens of young alumni. From left are: Helen Dao '99, '05 M.A., Jennifer Aitken '99, director of the NJCU Office of Specialized Services; Erika Perez '12 of the NJCU Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs; Anthony Guerrero '08, and Ruddy's Andrade '01 M.S., associate vice president for academic affairs, grants and sponsored programs.

NJCU Classmates Gather for 2012 Reunion Events



Bill Withkop

More than 100 alumni attended two reunion events in May 2012. Members of the Class of 1962 enjoyed a 50th reunion reception in the Michael B. Gilligan Student Union. Front row, from left, are: Theresa Zito, Carolyn Mizelle Morro, Anita DiAgostini Crespy, Lillian Kelly Russell, Mary Jane Somers, Irene Murray Donobue, Samuel T. McGhee, Jr., retired director of admissions; and Robert Steiger. In the second row (from left) are: William Y. Fellenberg, interim vice president for university advancement; Francis Raftery, Dr. Howard Parish, professor emeritus of geosciences/geography; James Jacobson, and Jane McClellan, executive director of alumni relations.



Bill Withkop

A dinner at the Casino-in-the-Park drew alumni from many classes, including these members of the Class of 1962 (from left): Judith Milos Shallow, Mary Mochi Salvatoriello, Laraine Pavera Rapphalides, Rocco Salvatoriello, Barbara Lipinski Cuccarese, Elizabeth Felicity Ferrara, Dr. Howard Parish, professor emeritus of geoscience/geography; then-president Dr. Carlos Hernández, Samuel T. McGhee, Jr., retired director of admissions; Mary Jane Somers, Theresa Zito, and Jane McClellan, executive director of alumni relations.

2013 ALUMNI DAY Saturday, May 4, 2013

All alumni are invited to come home to NJCU for a full day of activities including:

Afternoon cookout on campus
50th Anniversary Reception for the Class of 1963
Reunion dinner with live entertainment

Congratulations to the 2013 milestone classes – 1963, 1973, 1983, 1988, 1993, and 2003.

For more information contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 201-200-3196 or alumni@njcu.edu. To assist NJCU in locating your classmates, visit www.njcu.edu/Alumni, click on "Events," scroll to "2013 Reunion," and click on "Help Us Find Alumni."



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Strangers No Longer. President Sue Henderson (center) launched a new program, "Dinner with 12 Strangers," at her home in Jersey City on December 7. The dinners provide an opportunity for faculty, students, and alumni to meet the president as well as each other. Attending the inaugural event were (from left, front row) Owen Ryan '85, a member of the NJCU Board of Trustees; Tykel Jackson, Andrew Armanus, Christopher Stebling '95, John Laboud '95, Jane McClellan, executive director of alumni relations, and Dr. Bernard McSherry, an assistant professor of business administration. Standing rear (from left) are: Irene Fitzgerald '87, Khalid Miftabi '12, Brian Flores, Lise Adelung, Jessica Rodrigues, and Maria Lopez. Ana Oliveira '06 was also in attendance. Guests for each dinner will be selected from a specific study area; this dinner brought together students, faculty, and alumni with an interest in business.

NJCU Honors Teacher and School Nurse with Special Awards

Kristine (Liguori) Nazzal '98, '05 M.A. was selected to receive the "2012 Distinguished Education Alumni Award" and Elizabeth Craft '01 M.A. was picked for the "2012

Distinguished School Nurse Alumni Award" from NJCU. The Awards are presented annually to a teacher and a school nurse who are graduates of NJCU.

Ms. Nazzal is a language arts and English as a Second Language teacher at Union City High and Ms. Craft is a supervisor of school nurses for the Paterson Public School District.

Ms. Craft has enjoyed a long and successful career as a school nurse and supervisor. Ms. Nazzal has been teaching at the secondary level in Union City since 1998 and has been honored as Union City High School Teacher of the Year, Union City District Teacher of the Year, and 2012-2013 Hudson County Teacher of the Year.

The presentation of awards, which traditionally takes place during the NJEA Convention in Atlantic City, was postponed when the Convention was cancelled because of Hurricane Sandy.

Alumni Office Hosts Events For Art and Music Educators

The NJCU Office of Alumni Relations has broadened its reach to affinity groups and hosted events during 2012 for art and music teachers that were linked to professional conferences.

An evening wine and cheese reception was held October 1 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in New Brunswick for alumni attending the Art Educators of New Jersey Conference. Dozens of alumni networked with each other, NJCU students, and art faculty and were provided information about their *alma mater* and additional alumni events.

The Office also co-hosted a breakfast reception with the Department of Music, Dance and Theatre last February for alumni attendees at the New Jersey Music Educators Association (NJMEA) Conference at the East Brunswick Hilton. A similar reception is being planned for Friday, February 22, during the 2013 NJMEA Conference in New Brunswick.

Such programs provide alumni opportunities to meet faculty, students, and fellow alumni and learn about new programs at NJCU.

ALUMNI Currents

1969 • James Sabia

has been elected to the Board of Trustees of Tennessee Valley Winds, an all-volunteer community band comprised of amateurs and professionals that was organized in 1984. Mr. Sabia, who worked in casino management in Las Vegas for 25 years before establishing a second career as a music educator, also plays trombone with two other local bands. He is married to Renea Basham, a church organist, and lives in Woodbury, Tennessee.

1981 • Connie

Sobon Sensor of Scotch Plains has been elected secretary of Sigma Theta Tau Interna-

tional, the nursing honor society. She is also former president and treasurer of the Society's Kappa Eta Chapter at NJCU. A doctoral candidate at Seton Hall University, she has focused her research on global health and the power of culturally responsive nursing. Ms. Sensor is a school nurse in Union and an adjunct instructor in nursing at Kean University. She has also served as public policy advisor for the American Association of Critical Care Nurses, president of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Transcultural Nursing Society, and secretary for Region 3 of the New Jersey State Nurses Association.

1986 • Dominick

Calicchio of Lakewood is an editor for General Media Strategies in Manhattan. Mr. Calicchio has worked for several newspapers and magazines in New York, California, and Pennsylvania, including the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Oakland Tribune*, *Business 2.0*, and *Information Week*.

He began his journalism career as a student intern at *The Jersey Journal* in Jersey City.

1992 M.A. • Lisa

Winkler has written *On the Trail of Ancestors: A Black Cowboy's Ride Across America*, which was published by Create Space in 2012. Ms. Winkler tells the story of Miles Dean,

a Newark school teacher who spent six months riding across the United States on horseback to raise awareness of the contributions of African-American cowboys. The account of his 5,000-mile journey in 2007 is enhanced by historical information from the places he visited. Ms. Winkler, who spoke about her book at NJCU for the M.

Jerry Weiss Center for Children's and Young Adult Literature in December, is also a regular contributor to *Education Update* and *JerseyMan* magazines.

1993 • Chris

Ostrowsky has been named head football coach at Division I Northern Michigan University, where he had served

as offensive coordinator for the two previous seasons. Mr. Ostrowsky has 15 years of coaching experience, including service as assistant head football coach at Division III Widener University and offensive coordinator at Washington and Lee University. During his student years at then-Jersey City State College, he was a quarterback for the Gothic Knights. He and his wife Jennifer have three children, Jackson, Joseph, and Hope.

1994 • Marian H.

Gordon, founder and owner of Yippee Print and Marketing, a screen-printing business in Edgewater, has been the recipient of several business awards during the past five years. She was named 2007 Bergen County Business Woman of the Year by the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners, from which she also received the 2009 Trail Blazer Award. Ms. Gordon is a member of the education committee for the Specialty Advertising Association of Greater New York and also volunteers for Palisades Medical Center in North Bergen.

1996 • Stephen

Wade has been named medical director of the Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit at Faxton St. Luke's Healthcare in Utica, New York. Dr. Wade received a medical degree from Our Lady of Fatima University in Valenzuela City, Philippines. He completed a residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation

Alumni Pair Heads Prize-winning Firm

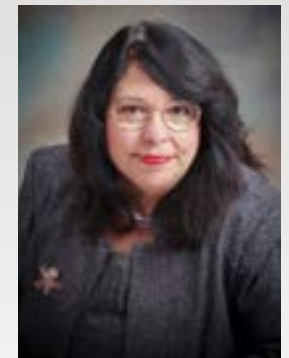


Jim Menoutis '78 is president and CEO of Quantex Laboratories in Edison, where his wife, **Angela Parisi '74**, is senior vice president of laboratory operations.

The firm was recognized in May with a CRO Leadership Award, acknowledging the clinical research

organization in the areas of productivity and regulatory compliance. The CRO Leadership Awards were presented by *Life Science Leader*, a trade publication, and acknowledge excellence in various areas. Winners are selected based upon a survey of more than 40,000 pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical executives who depend on the work of clinical research organizations such as Quantex to develop their products.

Dr. Menoutis, who majored in chemistry and mathematics and minored in physics at then-Jersey City State College, later received a doctoral degree in analytical chemistry at American Western University in Arizona. He also holds certifications as a Certified Professional Chemist and as a Certified Professional Chemical Engineer and is a Fellow of the American Institute of Chemists. Dr. Menoutis has focused on human exposure to contaminants during his career while also exploring entrepreneurial ventures in the field of clinical research. He cofounded Quantex in 1993 and was named CEO in 1997.



Ms. Parisi, who majored in chemistry and biology at then-Jersey City State College, has 37 years of experience in the personal care products, pharmaceutical, and specialty chemical industries. She has worked as a researcher, senior scientist, and research and

development executive, and in senior management. Both have been active members of professional and scientific societies and are involved in Evangel Church in Scotch Plains. The couple has four children, William, Mary, Stephen, and Jonathan.



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Alumna in the Spotlight

Danielle M. Kovach '07 (right) delivered the keynote address at the University's 28th annual Academic Convocation in September. Ms. Kovach, a third-grade, special education teacher at Tulsa Trail Elementary School in Hopatcong, received the NEA Members Benefits Award for Teaching Excellence, one of public education's top honors. In 2011, she was named "2010-11 New Jersey Teacher of the Year" and received NJCU's Distinguished Education Alumni Award. Ms. Kovach holds a master's degree in educational technology from NJCU. Joining Ms. Kovach are (from left): Dominick D'Agosta, chair of the NJCU Foundation Board of Directors; Dr. Sue Henderson, president; and Dr. Joanne Z. Bruno, vice president for academic affairs.

Golden Moment at Commencement

A group of Golden Goths, the title reserved for those who graduated 50 or more years ago, participated in the Commencement 2012 ceremony in May. Seated are Alice Lewandowski Pyka '40 (left) and Audrey Crump Williams '48. Standing from left are: Jane McClellan, executive director of alumni relations; Arsenio V. Silvestri '61, Dr. Howard Parish '62, professor emeritus of geoscience/geography; Louise E. McGettrick Contini '54, and Angelina Quinto Pacifico '40. Inez Conradi Boddy '48, M.A. '63 also participated in the Commencement ceremony.

Dave Halander

at Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center in Brooklyn and a fellowship at Spinal and Pain Medicine in Utica, where he is an interventional pain management specialist.

1999 • Freddy R. Nuñez is chair of the Department of World Languages and English as a Second Language (ESL) at Piscataway High School. He had previously been a social studies and ESL teacher in Hackensack Public Schools.

2000 • Karen Moreno Gold has been music director at Christian Brothers Academy in Lincroft since 2010. In addition to teaching music theory, she directs the Academy's award-winning Jazz Ensemble, Men's Choir, and Chamber Ensembles, and recently launched a jazz series that featured pianist David Benoit. Ms. Gold had previously been a music teacher at Union High School. She and her husband David live in Manalapan with their twin boys, Matthew and Jacob.

2003 • LeDerick R. Horne delivered the keynote address at NJCU's 26th annual "Salute to Graduates of African Heritage," which is co-sponsored by the University's Black Administrators, Alumni, Faculty, Staff and Student Organization and Lee Hagan Africana Studies Center. A nationally recognized motivational speaker and advocate for people with disabilities, he is chair of the board of Project Eye-to-Eye, a national nonprofit that provides mentoring for students with learning disabilities.

2007 • H. Luis Martinez is a licensed real estate agent with Douglas Elliman in New York City, where he handles commercial and residential real estate, mostly in his niche markets of TriBeCa and Battery Park City. Mr. Martinez is a social media enthusiast and participates in Food Network's No Kid Hungry Campaign and AIDS Walk New York.

2007 • Paul Robertson is an active performer and educator in the New York/New Jersey area. A percussionist, he performs regularly with Chelsea Opera and Garden State Philharmonic, and recently



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Alumni Award for Federal Judge

U.S. District Judge Jose L. Linares '75 (second from left), who received a Distinguished Alumni Award at the William J. Maxwell College of Arts and Sciences Showcase of Excellence in April, speaks with students following his presentation. A native of Cuba who was raised in Newark, Judge Linares was recruited by then-Jersey City State College in 1971 to play offensive lineman for the Gothic Knights football team. In 2002, Judge Linares was nominated for the federal bench by then-President George W. Bush and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Judge Linares recently presided over some of the highest profile federal trials in New Jersey resulting from a massive FBI sting operation in 2009 that involved federal informant Solomon Dwek and the arrest of 44 politicians and public and religious figures.

toured China with the Park Avenue Chamber Symphony. He is a two-time winner of the University of Delaware Young Artist Competition and was a finalist in the Cynthia Woods Young Artist Competition at the Texas Music Festival. An adjunct instructor and program assistant in NJCU's Department of Music, Dance and Theatre, he is also an adjunct instructor at Essex County College.

2010 • Abraham Lopez is executive director of the New Jersey Center for Hispanic Policy, Research and Development. Mr. Lopez first joined state government in 2009 as part of the staff for then Governor-elect Chris Christie's transition team. He has worked in Hispanic and faith-based communities for nearly a decade. He and his wife, Brenda Lopez, and their son, Issac Abraham, reside in Jersey City.

2011 • Joanne Ploch has been appointed to the New Jersey Special Education and

Traumatic Brain Injury Task Force. Ms. Ploch, who has been an athletic trainer and health and physical education teacher at Vernon Township High School since 2004, is also a former executive council member of the Athletic Trainers' Society of New Jersey. The Task Force develops practices for education professionals who work with students with traumatic brain injuries.



Allan A. De Fina

Student Teacher Award

Stephanie Cornett '12 (center) was one of 16 recipients of the 2012 Distinguished Student Teacher Award presented by the New Jersey State Department of Education and the New Jersey Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. Joining her at the awards ceremony at Rider University are fellow NJCU nominees Michael Chin (left), a physics and secondary education major, and Megan Lopez '12, an English and secondary education major. As a student teacher, Ms. Cornett taught advanced placement and honors biology at Memorial High School in West New York. Since September, she has been teaching at Sage Day in Rochelle Park, a therapeutic high school for emotionally sensitive students. "It has been a challenging experience, but if I am going to become the best teacher I can possibly be, I want to be able to reach every student. My work here has been very valuable," she said. Ms. Cornett and her husband, Trevor Monroe, are graduates of the University of Michigan.

2011 • Ken Jenks, who joined the Summit Fire Department in 1997 as a volunteer firefighter, was promoted to lieutenant in July. A graduate of NJCU's Fire Science Program and also a graduate of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, he is pursuing a master's degree in administrative science from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Lieutenant Jenks is a two-time recipient of the Summit Fire Department

Chief's Award for Meritorious Service. He and his wife Sue Jenks live in Chatham with their daughter Savannah and son Trent.

2012 • Michael Faivush is living in Jerusalem, Israel, where he is a Fellow in the World Jewish and Inter-Religious Affairs Bureau of Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Mr. Faivush has established the Margot Frank Faivush Scholarship Fund at NJCU in

honor of his late mother. The Scholarships will provide assistance to undergraduate students who have lost a member of their immediate families through a terminal illness. Established with \$9,270 in memorial donations following Mrs. Faivush's death from ovarian cancer in 2008, Mr. Faivush hopes to raise a total of \$25,000, which would establish a permanently endowed scholarship.

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Sports News

Women's Soccer Team Honored For Academic Achievement

For the second time in three seasons, the NJCU women's soccer team has been honored on a national level for its academic prowess.

After earning a combined grade point average (GPA) of 3.206 for the fall 2011 and spring 2012 semesters, the 18-member team received a National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) 2012 NSCAA College Team Academic Award for 2011-12.

The team's GPA was the second highest in the New Jersey Athletic Conference and among the highest in the state of any Division I, II, or III men's or women's soccer program. To have been eligible for the honor, a team must have earned a collective GPA of at least 3.0 during both semesters.

The NJCU team earned the combined 3.206 GPA, the highest in program history, while tying the single-season school record for victories (14-8) and advancing to the post-season for a third consecutive year.

Half of the players on the 2011-12 squad earned a 3.50 GPA and were named to the NJCU Dean's List for at least one of the two semesters while Julia Caseres, Brittany Hoffman, Amanda Spethmann, and Devon Williams made the Dean's List twice; Kelsey Plaskon and Ms. Hoffman did so with a 4.00 GPA during the spring 2012 semester.

The NJCU team is one of only three women's teams in the competitive New Jersey Athletic Conference to be recognized by the NSCAA.

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Coach Patrick Snyder

had previously served Mercer County College for five years in various capacities, including head coach, first assistant/goalkeeper coach, and assistant coach of the men's team. He has also served as a head coach at Division II Felician College in Rutherford.

Following a national search, Mr. Vance was named the 13th coach of the women's program and the 11th coach of the men's program in July.

Mr. Vance guided the women's team to seven victories last fall. In January, he began coaching what many consider to be the most talented NJCU men's volleyball team in history.

Mr. Vance's extensive coaching experience includes immediate past service as a prominent club volleyball coach with the Richmond Volleyball Club, 2009-12, and as an assistant boy's coach at Douglas Freeman High School in Richmond, 2010-11. He was also assistant women's volleyball coach at Virginia Commonwealth University for three seasons.

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Coach F. Ray Vance

Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Dinner Set for April

New Jersey City University will induct its 19th Athletics Hall of Fame class at a campus dinner and ceremony on Friday, April 5, beginning with a cocktail hour at 6:00 p.m.

Five individuals have been elected to the Class of 2013 by the Athletics Hall of Fame committee from a list

of 26 outstanding nominees. The inductees, who will be announced this winter, will bring membership in the Hall of Fame to 134.

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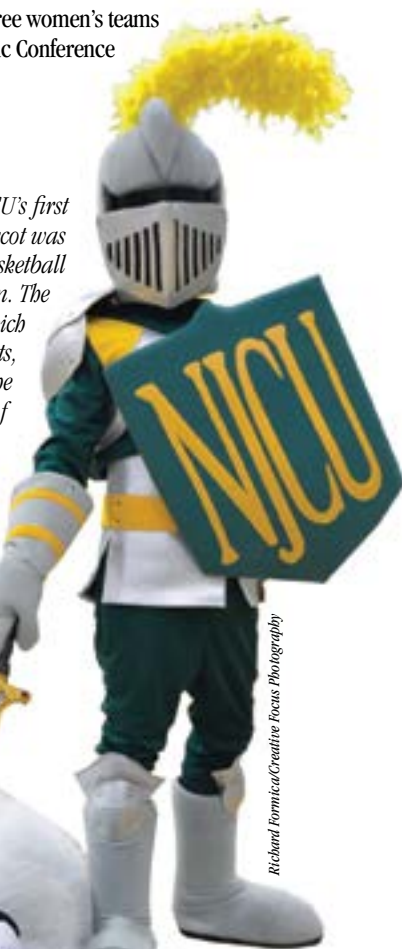
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Official Mascot. NJCU's first official Gothic Knight mascot was unveiled at the first home basketball game of the 2012-2013 season. The new Gothic Knight mascot, which will attend many campus events, was created collaboratively by the Department of Athletics, Office of Campus Life, and Student Government Organization (SGO). One of the Gothic Knight's first official duties was to challenge Blanda the Non-Propaganda Panda, a character which had been used as a mascot by the SGO.



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