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**Women's Studies Center**  
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2006-2007 Annual Report

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*Front Cover: Clockwise from center top: (1) Students in Prof. Thompson's Introduction to Women's Studies course (photo by Fiolella Sarmiento); (2) FIU-NOW members celebrate National Coming Out Day; (3) Alumnus Charlene Medina with her art, Day of the Dead; (4) Founding and continuing WS Board of Advisors member Gayle Bainbridge and Suzanna Rose, WS Director; (5) WS student Rebecca at the Miami Clinic Defense Project, protecting women's right to legal abortion; (6) WSSA members shopping for the V-Day reception.*

Florida International University

**Women's Studies Center**

**Director's Summary of Accomplishments**

**Year 2006-2007**

The major goals of the Women's Studies Center for 2006-2007 included: (a) building the Bachelor's degree, Undergraduate Certificate, and Graduate Certificate programs through quality teaching and student recruitment; (b) promoting scholarship and excellence in academic and creative work concerning women and gender; and (c) pursuing outreach and advancement activities in the community through education, cultural programs, and leadership.

A complete report of the activities of the Women's Studies Center for the period June 2006 to May 2007 is contained in the following pages, including: (1) a summary of the academic program (i.e., enrollment and student activities and student and alumni accomplishments); (2) achievements of the Women's Studies faculty; and (3) advancement activities.

**GOAL 1: To build the B.A. degree, Undergraduate Certificate, and Graduate Certificate programs through quality teaching and student recruitment.**

**Accomplishments:**

- Enrollment was 3,055 undergraduate and 142 graduate students
- Courses offered included 90 undergraduate and 25 graduate
- Declared or intended majors in Women's Studies numbered 94; Certificate earners = 120
- Graduate Certificate earners = 10
- Graduated 28 students with a B.A., 26 students with a WS Certificate
- Two students completed a Graduate Certificate
- Offered eight new courses and continued a popular Internship program
- Fourth year of the Women's Studies Student Association (40 officers/members)
- Second year of Iota Iota Iota, the Women's Studies honors society (16 officers/members)
- Hosted the 6<sup>th</sup> WS Student Conference (27 presentations; 90 attended)
- Published Vol. 5 of *Making Waves*, the student journal.
- Gave 6 scholarship awards to students ranging from \$300 to \$2,000
- Sponsored travel for 14 students and two faculty to attend the third annual field trip to Tallahassee to lobby for the Equal Rights Amendment and for five students to attend a conference at Syracuse University

**GOAL 2: To promote scholarship and excellence in academic and creative work concerning women and gender.**

**Accomplishments:**

- Hired a Postdoctoral Fellow in Women's Studies (Beverly Yuen Thompson, Ph.D.) for 06-07
- Successfully conducted a faculty search for an Assistant Professor (Vrushali Patil, Ph.D., WS and Sociology) to begin in Fall 2007
- Continued collaborations with international consortium partners in Spain, Colombia, and South Africa
- Completed the Women's Studies Program review process concluding with an on campus visit by an external evaluator that led to highly positive recommendations and predictions concerning the future of the Center.
- Hosted presentations by 53 noted scholars, authors, filmmakers, artists, performers, and dignitaries
- Sponsored 4 presentations by faculty at national and international conferences
- Viewings of the WS website (12,517)
- FIU Women Faculty Book Club ([www.books.fiu.edu](http://www.books.fiu.edu)) received about 250 viewings per semester
- Three Women's Studies core faculty and 19 affiliated faculty were active in publishing, grants and contracts, and editorial roles. Accomplishments included the publication of 3 books, 8 book chapters, 9 journal articles, 1 curatorial projects, 5 stories/essays, 17 book reviews and other publications, 6 national recognitions to faculty, 4 external grants, 29 conference presentations, 16 invited presentations, 6 editorial boards, and one film.

**GOAL 3: To pursue outreach and advancement activities in the community through education, cultural programs, and leadership.**

**Accomplishments:**

- Continued Year 5 of the Women of Distinction Series to attract community support; drew audiences ranging from 40 to 200 at each of seven events
- Communicated with alumni about their current activities; 64 responded and are included in this report
- Year 5 of Friends of Women's Studies fundraising campaign (\$4,755 raised)
- Continued fundraising for Elaine Gordon Scholarship (\$6,810 contributed; endowment total=\$66,854)
- Continued Year 4 of the Women's Studies Board of Advisors (donor board) comprised of prominent women in the community (\$11,750 contributed or pledged for 2006-07).
- Arranged three donor dinner events (with WS Board of Advisors Chair, Gayle Bainbridge) that featured book readings by Women's Studies faculty authors, Profs. Judith Stiehm and Lynne Barrett.
- Hosted (at the home of Annie Goodrich) the first Women's Studies Spring Gala; contributions exceeded \$7,000.

Respectfully submitted,



Suzanna Rose, Ph.D.  
Director

**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY  
Women's Studies Board of Advisors, 2006-2007**



**Gayle Bainbridge**  
*Board Chair*

The Florida International University Women's Studies Center Board of Advisors continued to increase its participation and support to the program during its fourth year. Together, these distinguished women contributed greatly to the success and growth of Women's Studies.

**Gayle Bainbridge** has made a career as an insurance agent in Coral Gables after her graduation from FIU in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts in English. She currently is Vice President of Elliott, McKiever & Stowe, Inc., insurance company. She serves on the Boards of the FIU Alumni Association, UM Friends of Music and was Chairman of the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Bainbridge was the 2006 recipient of the Thelma Gibson Excellence Award for Leadership from the Miami Dade Women's Chamber of Commerce. Her hobbies include traveling, gardening and reading.

**Marjorie H. Adler** is Human Resources Director for the City of Coral Gables (2004-present). Previously, she was Chief Personnel Officer of Human Resources for the Miami-Dade County Public Schools (2003-2004) and for the School district of Philadelphia (PA) (1997-2002). She has extensive management experience in the private sector as well. Her areas of expertise include labor relations and recruitment strategies, organization development, and risk management. Previously a forty year resident of Philadelphia, she was very active in the wider community, particularly in women's issues and cultural affairs.

**Carol Alexander** is Founder and President of Carol Alexander, C.P.A., PA, a public accounting firm serving the South Florida business community, providing income tax planning and preparation as well as business evaluations. She serves on the boards of several professional and not-for-profit organizations. She also served two years as Club President of the Rotary Club of Miami Sundown. Among her personal interests are fitness, music and art.

**Maria Anderson**, Vice Mayor & Commissioner, City of Coral Gables, FL. Ms. Anderson is a Board Member of the Urban Environment League and a Commission Representative for the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce. She spearheaded a successful community visioning process for the revitalization of downtown Coral Gables, co-sponsored with the University of Miami School of Architecture.

**Elizabeth Baker** is a lawyer with Baker & Cronig, LLP (family, real estate, banking and business law). She has been continuously certified by the Florida Bar in Marital and Family Law. She has been actively involved in Safespace Foundation, a private charity which supports the Miami-Dade County shelters for battered women and their children, for over 25 years. In 2006, she was recognized by the Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Miami-Dade County chapter, with the Mattie Belle Davis Award. Her personal interests include the study of Shakers, a utopian religious sect, and collecting vintage costume jewelry.

**Glenda (Rusty) Belote, Ph.D.** is the retired Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies at Florida International University. She served for many years on the Women's Studies Faculty Board, the FIU Title IX Committee (concerned with equity in women's sports), and the Women's Center Board (Student Affairs Division). She also developed and taught a popular interdisciplinary course, Gay and Lesbian in the U.S.

**Roberta Fox, P.A.**, Chair, Lawyer and Shareholder for the Law Offices of Roberta Fox. Ms. Fox served as Florida State Senator from 1982-1986 and Florida State Representative from 1976-1982. She was a pioneer in family law reform, equal educational opportunity, employment background screening legislation, and changes to the evidence code concerning testimony by young crime victims. She has received the 1973 One of Ten Outstanding Young Women of America Award, the 1986 Florida Women's Lawyers Association's Judge Mattie Belle Davis Award for service, the 1996 Women of Impact VIII Award, and a 2004 Pioneer Award from Miami-Dade County.

**Evelyn Langlieb Greer** is an attorney with Hogan, Greer & Shapiro, P.A., and was elected as the Miami-Dade County School Board Member from South Miami-Dade in 2004. She was the founding mayor of the Village of Pinecrest from 1996-present. Ms. Greer was also President of Greer Properties, Inc., a Director of City National Bank of Florida, N.A. from 1998-present, a Trustee of Barnard College, Columbia University, NY, from 1995-2004, the Vice Chair for the Board of Visitors, Columbia Law School from 1996-present, Director of Our Kids, Inc., the Miami-Dade foster care umbrella organization, and a Director of the Miami Performing Arts Center.

**Maria Millheiser** is a benefactor and Women's Studies alumnus. Her early career was in nursing. After raising a family, she returned to FIU to complete her undergraduate degree in 2006. She is committed to helping other women gain the knowledge they need to grow and thrive, as well as to protect themselves.

**Pat Klock Parker**, Broker-Salesperson, has been with The Klock-Parker Real Estate Group at Coldwell Banker since 1977. She was a top Real Estate Broker-Agent, selling homes in Coral Gables, Coconut Grove, Pinecrest, South Miami and East Kendall. She was a charter member of the Master Broker's Advisory Board of the top 200 agents in Dade County and the International President's Elite top 5% of Real Estate Agents in the Country. She was a past Board of Directors member of the Miami Choral Society and past parent board member of Carrollton School of the Sacred Heart. She and her husband are actively involved at Epiphany Parish.

**Mary Lou Pfeiffer** served on the Advisory Board in the College of Arts and Sciences at FIU and the Board for the FIU Center for Spirituality as well as the Women's Studies Board of Advisors. She was the contributor of the Helen J. Dunnick Endowment to teach American Indian Studies at FIU. She received a LL.M. in Intercultural Human Rights from St. Thomas University School of Law and a Master's Degree in Religious Studies from FIU. She is the owner and operator of Pfeiffer Originals art glass studio, President and partner in Caressa-me, an aromatherapy company, and a recipient of the FIU Alumni Torch Award.

**Helen Venero** has been in the scientific instrumentation industry for 28 years. She currently is president of VTI Corporation, based in Hialeah, Florida, a small company that designs, manufactures and markets scientific instruments all over the world. Venero's educational background reflects her many interests over the years: Spanish literature, social work, and business. The importance of entrepreneurial skills and the support and mentoring of women in business has been of great interest.

#### **Friends of the Women's Studies Board of Advisors**

**Ann (Annie) Goodrich** retired from FIU recently but is still active with Women's Studies and at the University. She received numerous awards during her many years of services, including the Outstanding Employee of the Year Award from FIU in 1988 and 1995 and the FIU United Way Volunteer of the Year award in 1996. She was a University of Miami Medical School Woman of the Year in 1990 for her outstanding efforts in building the Ronald McDonald House, at Jackson Memorial Hospital. The FIU Executive Council in 1997 named an award in her honor, the Ann H. Goodrich Volunteer of the Year Award.

**Diana Parker** is Director of Office Brokerage at Cushman & Wakefield of Florida, Inc. Cushman & Wakefield is the world's largest privately held real estate services firm. It delivers integrated solutions by actively advising, and managing on behalf of Landlords, tenants, and investors through every stage of the real estate process.

**Carolina Rendeiro** is Founder and CEO of Business Centers International in Coral Gables and Brickell, a concierge-type service that provides customized workspaces, offices, and lobby and conference rooms that create a luxurious, high tech, executive business environment. She is the Chairman-elect of the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce.

**FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY****WOMEN'S STUDIES CENTER****I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

## Enrollment Summary (Summer 2006 – Spring 2007)

About 3,197 students were enrolled in the 90 undergraduate and 25 graduate courses offered in Women's Studies for the Academic Year Summer 2006 – Spring 2007. There were 94 students majoring in Women's Studies and 120 students pursuing a Certificate. By May 2007, 28 students earned a B.A. and 26 students earned a Women's Studies Certificate.

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2006-2007 SUMMARY**

<i>Summer 2006 Summary</i>	<i>No. of Courses</i>		<i>Enrollment</i>
	regular	online	
<b>Undergraduate</b>	14	9	<b>710</b>
<b>Graduate</b>	3	0	<b>19</b>
<b>Summer 2006 Total</b>	17	9	<b>729</b>
<i>Fall 2006 Summary</i>			
<b>Undergraduate</b>	28	6	<b>1,194</b>
<b>Graduate</b>	12	0	<b>61</b>
<b>Fall 2006 Total</b>	40	6	<b>1,255</b>
<i>Spring 2007 Summary</i>			
<b>Undergraduate</b>	23	8	<b>1,151</b>
<b>Graduate</b>	10	0	<b>62</b>
<b>Spring 2007 Total</b>	33	8	<b>1,213</b>
<i>Annual 2006-07</i>			
<b>Undergraduate</b>	<i>Number of courses</i>		<i>Enrollment</i>
	Regular Courses	65	1,196
	Online Courses	25	1,059
<b>Undergraduate Total</b>		90	3,055
<b>Graduate Total</b>		25	142
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>115</b>	<b>3,197</b>



## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

## SUMMER 2006

Term/Course		Faculty	Enrollment
<b>Summer 2006 University Park - Undergraduate</b>			
WST 3015, A	Introduction to Women's Studies	Kai	11
WST 3641, A	Gay/Lesbian in U.S.	Vega	19
WST 4504, A	Feminist Theory	West	8
SYG 4060, A	Soc of Sexuality	West	42
WST 3641/ IDS 4920, B	Gay/Lesbian in U.S.	Johnsen	26/23
ANT 3302, B	Anthropology of Gender	Martin	36
REL 3145, B	Women and Religion	Rowan	34
WST 4940, C	Internship	Rose	2
PSY 4930, C	Research Plans & Careers	Montgomery	19
<b>Summer 2006 Biscayne Bay - Undergraduate</b>			
WST 3015/HUM 3325, A	Intro to Women's Studies/Women, Culture & History	Friedman	4/5
SOP 3742, A	Psychology of Women	Schear	29
CCJ 4663, B	Women Crime & Criminal Justice	Saiz	33
SYG 4060, B	Sociology of Sexuality	Mizrach	38
AFA 4931, B	Black Women Spirit in Caribbean Film	Freeman	8
<b>Summer Online - Undergraduate</b>			
REL 3145, A	Women and Religion	Gudorf	23/4
REL 3171, A	Sex and Religion	Gudorf	26/2
ECS 3021, B	Women, Culture, and Economic Development	Alonso	39/7
REL 3171, B	Sex and Religion	Gudorf	44/1
WST 3015, C	Introduction to Women's Studies	Tilborg	14/1
MAN 4102, C	Managing Diversity	Kleban	67/8
SOP 4774, C	Female Sexuality	Rose	56/3
REL 3162	Healers and Mediums	Pfeiffer	27/0
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Stephens	48/3
<b>Summer 2006 University Park - Graduate</b>			
WST 5905 B, C	Independent Study	Rose	1/1
WST 5507, A	Feminist Theory	West	2
EUH 5905, C	Nationalism & Totalitarian Regimes	Morcillo	15
<b>Summer 2006 Summary</b>			
		<i>No. of Courses</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>
		regular	online
<b>Undergraduate</b>		14	9
<b>Graduate</b>		3	0
<b>Summer 2006 Total</b>		17	9
			<b>710</b>
			<b>19</b>
			<b>729</b>

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

FALL 2006

Term/Course		Faculty	Enrollment
<b>Fall 2006 - University Park - Undergraduate</b>			
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies	Kai/Thompson	35
WST 3641	Gay/Lesbian in U.S.	Johnsen	35
WST 4905	Women's Studies Independent Studies	Rose	1
WST 4940	Women's Studies Internship	Thompson	6
AML 3415	American Lit. & and the Tradition of Dissent: Rehearsing Feminism	Hoder-Salmon	33
AML 4930	20th Contemporary Latino/a Lit	Luszczynska	50
ANT 4334	Contemporary Latin American Women	Martin	33
ARH 4871	Women and Art	Damian	53
EUH 4286	Gendered History of the Body	Morcillo	25
FIL 4881	Hispanic Culture: Women and Film	Roca	25
LBS 4210	Women and Work in the United States	Wilson	4
MAN 4102	Managing Diversity	Osborne	60
PHM 4123	Philosophy & Feminism	Beer	34
PUP 4323	Women in Politics	Stiehm	52
REL 4361	Islamic Faith & Soc: Women in Islam	Musa	18
REL 4991	Religion in Contemporary Latin America	Bidegain	4
SYD 4820	Sociology of Men	West	50
SYD 3804	Sociology of Gender	West	10
SYO 3120	Marriage & the Family	Hearn	89
SYP 3750	Sociology of Life	West	26
<b>Fall 2006 - University Park -Graduate</b>			
WST5905	Women's Studies Independent Studies	Rose	1
WST 5935	WST Special Topics	Rose	1
WST 5946	Women's Studies Internship	Thompson	1
AMH 5905/EUH 5905/HIS 5930	History of Childhood and Youth in the Modern World	Friedman	5/4/4
ARH 5872	History of Women and Art	Damian	2
EUH 5935	Gendered History of the Body	Morcillo	4
INR 5088	Feminism and International Relations	Prugl	5
LAW 6936	Seminar: Gender and the Law	Zorn	13
LBS 5215	Women in the US Workplace	Wilson	3
REL 5144	Women and Religion	Gudorf	7
REL 5991	Politics and Religion in Contemporary Latin America	Bidegain	7
<b>Fall 2006 Biscayne Bay - Undergraduate</b>			
AFA 4930	Theory & Methods In African New World Studies	Boyce Davies	4
AFA 4931	Sexuality of Black Women in Film	Freeman	14
ANT 3302	Ant of Sex & Gender	Fordyce	37
ENL 4251	Victorian Literature	Rochelson	32
LIT 4931	Multicultural, Working Class Women	Weir	23
REL 4937	Women in the Bible	Sharon	17
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Stephens	74

**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

FALL 2006 continued

Term/Course		Faculty	Enrollment
<b>Fall 2006 Biscayne Bay – Graduate</b>			
AFA 5002	Theory & Methods In African New World Studies	Boyce Davies	4
<b>Fall 2006 OFF Campus</b>			
CCJ 4663	Women, Crime, Criminal Justice	Odio	41
<b>Fall 2006 Online Courses</b>			
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies	Van Tilborg	34
MAN 4102	Managing Diversity	Kleban	64
REL 3145	Women and Religion	Gudorf	27
REL 3171	Sex and Religion	Gudorf	35
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Stephens	69
SOP 4774	Female Sexuality	Rose	80
<b>Fall 2006 Summary</b>		<b>No. of Courses</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>
		regular	online
<b>Undergraduate</b>		28	6
<b>Graduate</b>		12	0
<b>Fall 2006 Total</b>		40	6

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

SPRING 2007

Term/Course		Faculty	Enrollment
<b>Spring 2007 University Park – Undergraduate Courses</b>			
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies	Thompson	33
WST 3641	Gay and Lesbian in the U.S.	Vega	35
WST 4504	Feminist Theory	Morcillo	20
WST 4930/SYP 3300	Special Topics: Social Movements	Thompson	13/15
WST 4930/SYD 4610	Special Topics: Women & Leadership	Onorato	12/10
WST 4930/IDS 4920	Special Topics: Women & Technology	Walker	2/30
WST 4940	Women's Studies Internship	Thompson	4
FRW 4583	Women Writers in French	Becel	10
GEA 4930	Gender and Geography	Hudson	18
LAH 4932/REL 4937	Migration and Religion	Bidegain	2/1
LBS 4154	Workers and Diversity	Addy	7
LIN 4651	Gender and Language	Suleiman	28
LIT 4931	Women's Narratives of War	Hoder-Salmon	36
MAN 4102	Managing Diversity	Osborne	60
POT 4309	Sex, Power and Politics	Stiehm	47
PUP 4323	Women in Politics	Poggione	30
REL 4146	Feminist Theology and Ethics	Gudorf	13
REL 4364	Quran, Gender and Jihad	Musa	21
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Stephens	89
SYG 4060	Sociology of Sexuality	West	76
<b>Spring 2007 University Park - Graduate Courses</b>			
LAH 5935/REL5937	Migration and Religion	Bidegain	1/4
LBS 5155	Workers and Diversity	Addy	7
PAD 5435	Administration and the Role of Women	Patterson	18
REL 5365	Adv Quran, Gender and Jihad	Musa	5
REL 5996	Feminist Theology	Gudorf	8
WST 5935	Special Topics: Women & Leadership	Onorato	7
WST 5946	Women's Studies Internship	Thompson	1
AMH 5905	Gender and Slavery	Wood	3
EUH 5905	Rdgs in Eur Hist: History of Spain	Morcillo	5
WST 5507	Feminist Theory	Morcillo	3
<b>Spring 2007 Biscayne Bay – Undergraduate Courses</b>			
AML 4503	Period in Am. Lit: Harlem Renaissance	Weir	38
LIT 3673	Migrant Stories: Caribbean & Jewish	Weir/Rochelson	34
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Telan	90
<b>Spring 2007 Online Courses</b>			
WST 3015	Introduction to Women's Studies	Kai	28
ECO 3933	Women, Men and Work	Alonso	34
ECS 3021	Women, Culture and Economic Dev.	Alonso	44
MAN 4102	Managing Diversity	Kleban	35
REL 3145	Women & Religion	Gudorf	29
REL 3171	Sex & Religion	Gudorf	67
SOP 3742	Psychology of Women	Stephens	70
SOP 4774	Female Sexuality	Rose	70
<b>Spring 2007 Summary</b>		<b>No. of Courses</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>
		regular	online
<b>Undergraduate</b>		23	8
<b>Graduate</b>		10	0
<b>Spring 2007 Total</b>		33	8
			<b>1,151</b>
			<b>62</b>
			<b>1,213</b>

**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

**New Courses in Women's Studies**

**Fall 2006**

**AMH 5905/EUH 5905/HIS 5930: Childhood & Youth in the Modern World, Fall 06 - Prof. Rebecca Friedman**

In this graduate readings course, students will explore the growing field of childhood and youth studies. For many years scholars have emphasized how ideologies and realities of childhood have had tremendous variety across time and space. This course will move both temporally and geographically across Europe and America in order to become conversant in the wide variety of methodological approaches to the study of childhood and youth, from foundational social history approaches about the "the discovery of childhood" to more recent emphases on sexuality, gender and material culture. Through weekly readings, we will discover how individuals, institutions, and states both created and relied on changing narratives of childhood and youth as they confronted the modern world.

**GEA 4930: Gender and Geography, Spring 07**

**Prof. Vanessa Hudson**

The purpose of this course is to critically analyze gender relations from a geographic perspective. In this course we begin by examining the intersections of feminist theories with geographic inquiry, and then look at how geographic analyses have incorporated gender in a number of research areas: gendered divisions of labor; public/private spaces; feminist research methodologies; social and political issues including gendered organization; and scale—the body, the community, the state, and globally. We also examine the intersections of gender relations with other categories of difference such as race, class, sexuality, and ability. A variety of contexts such as urban/rural and global south/north will also be considered. A goal for this course is for the student to develop an understanding of how gender relations are constantly being produced, contested, and negotiated geographically

**REL 4991/REL 5991: Religion in Contemporary Latin America, Fall 06**

**Prof. Ana Maria Bidegain**

The focus of this course will be the analysis of religious organizations' political action and the Christian men's and women's social action in Contemporary Latin America History. We will present the Catholic and Protestant first development of Liberation Theology from a gender perspective.

**REL 4361: Islamic Faith & Soc: Women in Islam, Fall 06**

**Prof. Aisha Musa**

This course intends to provide students with a deeper understanding of the position of women in Islam through an examination of the teachings of the Qur'an, looking at both traditional interpretation and the contemporary reinterpretation. The primary texts for the course will be the Qur'an and current writings by Muslim women and other relevant excerpts from translations of traditional Qur'anic commentaries.

**Spring 2007**

**WST 4930/IDS 4920: Women and Technology, Spring 2007**

**Dr. Charlyne Walker**

This course will introduce students to the history, achievements, experiences and struggles of women in the field of technology. This course will look at the lives of female pioneers in technology including such figures as Ada Lovelace and Grace Hopper. We will define technology and look at the gender associated with different types of technology. The course will explore the social and cultural factors that have created stereotypes of gender associated with these artifacts. Additionally the course will explore gender imbalances in computing at all levels, both in education and in career experiences.

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### **WST 4930/SYD 4610: Women and Leadership, Spring 2007**

**Instructor: Suzanna Onorato**

This course will begin with an examination of the theories of leadership, particularly examining emergent leader theories and feminism. Questions about authority, the appropriate use of power, community building, ethics and responsibility for self and others will be discussed. Students will explore their own leadership attributes and develop an understanding of who they are as leaders in the context of these theories. In the second part of the course students will investigate the state of leadership for women in our society from a historical and current day perspective. We've come a long way baby . . . or have we? Guest speakers will include women who are leaders within the campus and greater Miami community. A class project and presentation will be required.

### **WST 4930/SYP 3300 Social Movements, Gender and Justice, Spring 2007**

**Prof. Beverly Thompson**

This course examines historic and contemporary feminist struggles as well as female participation in social movements. This class will position social movements within the sociological theories of collective action: Tilly, Tarrow, Della Porta, Smith, and so on. It will examine historical and contemporary feminist movements: Suffragist, ERA, pro-choice, environmental feminism, Women's Studies, and identity politics. In addition, we will examine the narratives of women active in other social movements: labor, Civil Rights, gay rights, anti-nuke, the Global Justice movement, and the anti-war movement. By placing women activists at the center of analysis, we will reconsider social movement theories and their resonance with contemporary social movements.

### **AMH 5905: Gender and Slavery, Spring 07**

**Prof. Kirstin Wood**

This reading-intensive class seeks to understand the imbrication of gender and slavery in the Americas, with a particular focus on the United States and the American South. That geographic focus reflects both my own expertise and the distribution of the scholarly literature: most of the English-language scholarship about gender and slavery concerns the U.S. than the rest of the Americas. Many of the readings in this course concern women, but our concern is to examine how slavery shaped gender and gender shaped slavery, not simply to document the experiences of women. Writing requirements include several short historiographical reviews, a topical bibliography, and an extensive historiographical essay. Brief oral presentations are also required.

## **FULLY ONLINE UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

The fully online undergraduate certificate was officially launched in Fall 2005.

Students who wish to concentrate in Women's Studies but not major, may obtain a certificate in 3 ways:

- 1) regular classroom
- 2) hybrid: classroom and online courses
- 3) fully online

The online certificate program consists of six courses (18 hours): three core concentration and three electives, from the list of core, electives, and online courses. There are now nine fully online courses:

- 1) WST 3015 Introduction to Women's Studies
- 2) ECO 3933 Women, Men and Work in the USA
- 3) ECS 3021 Women Culture & Economic Development
- 4) MAN 4102 Managing Diversity
- 5) REL 3145 Women and Religion
- 6) REL 3162 Healers and Mediums
- 7) REL 3171 Sex and Religion
- 8) SOP 3742 Psychology of Women
- 9) SOP 4774 Female Sexuality

**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

**Women's Studies Student Interns and Mentors**

The FIU Women's Studies was awarded funding in 2006-07 from the Title V grant awarded to FIU. Students in the Internship course were the primary recipients. The funding enabled Women's Studies to hire Prof. Thompson to teach the course. Additional recipients were leaders and participants in Women's Studies' student organizations who also were mentored by faculty. About twelve students were mentored individually. Those in the Internship class participated at an internship site for eight hours per week and also prepared a job portfolio as part of their academic requirement for the course.

**Internship Instructor: Prof. Beverly Thompson**

Each of the following students worked at different sites or on projects where they gained practical application and opportunities outside classroom learning.

<b>Fall 2006 Interns</b>	<b>Internship Site</b>	<b>Mentor(s)</b>
Duque, Alzenir	Women's Center, BBC Campus	Suzanne Onorato
Garcia, Glauca Mary	Women's Center, UP Campus	Suzanne Onorato
Guerrero, Maria Josefina	Co-Editor, Making Waves Journal	Suzanna Rose
Padron, Gisela Aleja	Co-Editor, Making Waves Journal	Suzanna Rose
Sanchez, Monica Cristina	Co-Editor, Making Waves Journal	Suzanna Rose
Snyder, Eloris Ann	The Women's Fund	Sophie Brion
<b>Spring 2007 Interns</b>		
Garcia, Richard	TA, Social Movements, Gender & Justice	Beverly Thompson
Martinez, Montserrat	TA, Intro to Women's Studies	Beverly Thompson
Muniz, Helen Gema	Women's Studies Center, ERA trip	Suzanna Rose
Navarro, Nathaniel Joseph	Research Assistant	Dionne Stephens

**Students, Projects & Mentors**

Women's Studies Student Association Mentor: Suzanna Rose	FIU National Organization for Women Mentor: Suzanne Onorato
Sze Lee Ana Gomez Hiliana Gomez Vanessa Gomez Andrea Lopez Patricia Gousse-Lacao	Nicole Anacosta Tania Babienko Gloria Bauta Jessica Doherty Andrea Lopez Whitney Otah

**Iota, Iota, Iota (WS Honors Society)**

Mentor: Aurora Morcillo

Ivanessa Arostegui  
Yisell Cirion  
Alzenir Duque  
Megan Kelley  
Helen Muniz  
Tiffany Yeomans

**Tallahasee Lobby Trip**

Mentors: Suzanna Rose & Beverly Thompson

Eun Jeong Chung	Sze Lee
Sarah Cordelle	Andrea Lopez
Richard Garcia	Andrea Miranda
Ana Gomez	Helen Muniz
Hiliana Gomez	Nathaniel Navarro
Vanessa Gomez	Jeremy Triana
Patricia Gousse La Coa	

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### GRADUATE PROGRAM

The Graduate Certificate Program in Women's Studies was established in Fall 2005 and currently has 7 active students. This year we offered 25 graduate courses to 142 students.

The certificate program requires the completion of 5 courses (15 credit hours) at the 5000 level or higher. Six credits must be WST courses. The remaining 9 credits may be chosen from a list of outside courses that count toward Women's Studies.

Two graduate students completed their certificates: Christina Navarro and Montserrat Martinez. Isabel Sifuentes will complete her Graduate Certificate in Fall 2007.



**Montserrat Martinez:** I first heard about the Women's Studies Graduate Certificate through PRIME, a psychology class designed to help students prepare for graduate school. It seemed like a great opportunity to get a feel for graduate level courses before jumping into a full blown master's degree. Since I earned my Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and want to work with a female population in the field of substance use and eating disorders, I thought it would be a good idea to further study women's biological, political, and psychological status in society. My experience with the Women's Studies Graduate Certificate has been incredibly rewarding. I am confident that I will walk away with a solid knowledge base in the topic, as well as with the networking connections and new friends I have made along the way.

**Christina Navarro:** My interests in Ph.D. programs are scattered across several disciplines, but my interest areas within each discipline are similar: women, diversity, leadership, equity, awareness, and education. The Women's Studies Center offered a wonderful interdisciplinary certificate program that enabled me to explore these interest areas and helped me to concretize what discipline I would like to eventually pursue. Everyone that I have come into contact with at the Women's Studies Center since I decided to pursue my graduate certificate has been absolutely fabulous!



**Isabel Sifuentes:** At present, I am working as a Grants Specialist with the FIU Biomedical Research Training and Access Program, Office of Sponsored Research Administration, providing support to the administration of research projects financed by the National Institute of Health/National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIH/NIGMS). Before I joined FIU, I worked in South East Asia and Latin America in the area of the social development, where I became conscious of the need to empower and strengthen women in the developing world. Learning new theories, concepts and paradigms of gender studies has given me a precedent and strong basis to formulate a sustainable development project proposal and to continue impacting women at the grassroots level in the near future. It was a privilege to be part of the Graduate Certificate of Women's Studies Program.



**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

**Women's Studies Graduates**

**B. A. Degree Earners = 28**

**Undergraduate Certificate Earners = 26**

Summer 2006

Albornoz, Natasha	Cirrion, Yiselle	Delgado, Mariela	Lopez, Germania
Andre, Marie	Mizrachi, Jessica	Green, Nicholas	Stuber, Amberlee
Bacchus, Alana	Parodi, Maria	Illescas, Alfa	Townsend, Melissa
Bravo, Janelle	Taboada, Julia	Hernandez, Jillian	

Fall 2006

Chavez, Estella	Melendez, Lisa	Fraser, Yolande	Meyer, Laura
Cuan, Helen	Padron, Gisele	Fernandez, Vivian	Snyder, Eloris
Diaz, Jesika	Palmieri, Toni	Garcia, Jeanine	St.Clair, Michael
Forte, Marcelle	Rodriguez, Melissa	Greco, Melissa	Stewart, Kaydia
Garcia, Richard	Sanchez, Monica	Hernandez, Juliet	St. Claire, Michael
Guerrero, Maria		Lopez, Anisley	

Spring 2007

Arostegui, Ivanessa	Muniz, Helen	Blanco, Kristen	Finzi-Smith, Zoeann
Bello, Nicole	Navarro, Nathaniel	Carillo, Cynthia	Hill, Scheherazade
Estrabao, Dalgys	Rodríguez, Lauren	Cardenas, Dyanne	Thompson, Sara
Godoy, Ladya	Rosado, Julia	Cossio, Maria	Pena, Jennifer
Herrera, Michelle			

**The Elaine Gordon Scholarship in Women's Studies**

**Ms. Sze Lee, Award Recipient**



*l-r: The Gadinsky's: Seth, Pam, and Liebe presenting the award to Sze Lee (holding the plaque.)*

Ms. Sze Lee was the eighth Elaine Gordon Scholarship winner. Sze was a dynamic presence in the Women's Studies Center. She took a strong leadership role as President of the Women's Studies Student Association. Under her direction and with the help of enthusiastic members, WSSA led the student production and performance of Eve Ensler's play, *The Vagina Monologues*, as well as other successful events. The event was performed to a full house for three nights. Proceeds were donated to groups that are active in ending violence against women, including the FIU Women's Studies Center. The WSC proceeds were used to fund the annual field trip to Tallahassee to lobby for the Equal Rights Amendment and other issues affecting women. Ms. Lee is planning to go to law school and continue her activism for social justice. Given her enthusiasm and talent, we know that she will achieve her goals.

This is the seventh award made from the Elaine Gordon Endowment. Sze Lee is the eighth recipient of the Elaine Gordon Endowment annual scholarship program. The Elaine Gordon Scholarship program was established in 2000 to honor the life and work of Elaine Gordon, a former state legislator who for 22 years championed equal rights for women and who also served as assistant vice president for University Relations at FIU. The scholarship is open to Women's Studies majors or certificate earners. The amount of the scholarship award was \$1,500.

**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

PREVIOUS ELAINE GORDON AWARD RECIPIENTS

2006-2007  
**Ivanessa  
Arostegui**



2005-2006  
**Megan  
Kelley**



2004-2005  
**Brenda  
Contreras**



2003-2004  
**Tamara  
Persad-Maharaj**



2002-2003  
**Cristina  
Pelleyá-Toledo**



2002-2003  
**Marcela  
Piñeros**



2001-2002  
**Maria  
Ortiz**



Ivanessa Arostegui graduated in May 2007 and plans to apply to graduate school in a field related to Islamic Studies and Women's Studies. She aspires to become a Women's Studies professor.

Megan Kelley is a graduate student in the Stempel School of Public Health at FIU.

Brenda Contreras is currently completing a Master's degree in Mental Health Counseling in Atlanta, Georgia. She also is a Shelter Manager at Partnership Against Domestic Violence, a domestic violence shelter for women and children in Atlanta. Prior to that, she was a victim's advocate at Victim Response Inc., The Lodge, a domestic violence shelter in Miami. Brenda wrote: "Women's issues are still and will continue to be my passion!"

Cristina Pelleyá Toledo is teaching Computers & Technology for Grades 1-6 at the Carrollton School of the Sacred Heart in Miami. This is her second year at Carrollton. Prior to that, she taught for a year at Southside Elementary School. She and her husband are expecting a baby boy in October.

Marcela Piñeros is a Gainesville-based singer songwriter. Her folk melodies with a Latin rhythm address topics ranging from love and heartbreak to women's rights and the war against terror. She and her husband have been touring the eastern seaboard and playing her original independent music. Her CDs can be found at: [www.marceonline.com](http://www.marceonline.com). At the start of the year, she and her husband also co-founded a web-design consulting and marketing firm.

Maria Ortiz will graduate from Law school at FIU in 2007. She will be interning at the State Attorney's office in the summer of 2007 to gain trial litigation experience. Her dream is to eventually work for the Human Rights Campaign, the American Civil Liberties Union, or Lamda Legal defense, and to continue fighting for the constitutional rights of gay and lesbian citizens.

**I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED**

**200 SCHOLARSHIP: A SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL WOMEN, INC.**



2007 Scholarship Winner

TIFFANY YEOMANS

Tiffany Yeomans is a junior seeking her Bachelor's in Women's Studies, with a focus in Political Science. She the current President of the Women's Studies Honor Society, Iota Iota Iota. Tiffany also serves as a member in NOW and will be working closely with the new VOX chapter forming here at FIU. VOX represents Voices of Planned Parenthood; it is a national program to educate and mobilize college students in support of reproductive health and rights. She is currently working part time in Women's Studies department and is a full-time student. She looks forward to working as a Co-Site leader for FIU's Alternative Spring Break that will devote a location for the first time directed towards the advocacy of Women's Issues, in Spring 2008.

The 200 Scholarship was donated by A Society of Professional Women, Inc., that was an organization of Dade county women from different professions. The group established this scholarship program for women students at FIU who demonstrate a strong ability and financial need. The award recognizes that women face multiple barriers to further their education. This scholarship is intended to help women students be able to focus their attention mainly on education and career goals. The selection is managed by the Women's Studies Center. Applicants are selected based on criteria below. The first award was given in Spring 2007. This is the second time the scholarship has been awarded.

Eligibility Criteria:

- must be female, residents of South Florida and U.S. citizens
- minimum 3.0 GPA
- undergraduate with a minimum of one prior semester at FIU and a full year of remaining studies at the inception of the award, which is Fall semester
- financial need
- must have earned 3 credits women's studies course

Requirements:

- biographical essay that includes educational background, reason for applying for the award, explanation of how the student's career goal will advance women's place in society
- financial need statement
- university transcript
- letter of recommendation from an FIU professor

I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

Spring 2007 Annual Women's Studies Student Conference

Guests of Honor

Pat Klock Parker, The Klock Parker Real Estate Group, Coldwell Banker  
Diana Parker, Cushman & Wakefield of Florida, Inc.



*l-r: Suzanna Ros and Guests of Honor, Pat Klock Parker and Diana Parker.*

**Elaine Gordon Scholarship Award**  
Sze Lee

**Gordon Recognition Awards**  
Patricia Gousse Lacao  
Andrea Miranda

**200 Women Scholarship**  
Tiffany Yeomans

**Women's Studies  
Outstanding Service Award**  
Nathaniel Navarro

**Women's Studies Recognition Award**  
Women's Studies Student Association  
Executive Board  
Sze Lee, Andrea Lopez,  
Ana Gomez, and Hiliana Gomez



*Nathaniel Navarro*



*Tiffany Yeomans and Helen Muniz*



*Hiliana Gomez, Sze Lee, & Ana Gomez*

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES  
Senior Awards**

**Academic Achievement**  
Ivanessa Arostegui  
Helen Muniz

**Outstanding Service**  
Ivanessa Arostegui  
Sze Lee  
Helen Muniz

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### FIU Women's Studies Student Conference 2007 – Year VI March 29, 2007

Twenty-nine FIU undergraduate and graduate students participated in the annual student conference. The presentations included paper presentations, round table discussions, poetry reading and art exhibits.



*l-r: Hashim Benford, Maureen Muhlena, Mekala Audain, and Tiffany Yeomans participated in the session on "The Objectification and Oppression of Women."*

**Faculty Advisor:** Beverly Thompson

**Symposium Chairs:** Marianna Carlucci, Andrea Dulanto, Dr. Marilyn Hoder-Salmon, Sze Lee, Andrea Lopez, Montserrat Martinez, Tiffany Yeomans

**Presenters:**

- Arostegui, Ivanessa, "Integrating Feminist Scholarship and Activism: Presentation on Women's Studies Honor Society."  
Audain, Mekala, "Victorian Values Facilitated the Rape of Enslaved Women."  
Austin, Melanie; Jimenez, Gabriela; and Sczechowicz, Lynsey, "Numbing the Senses: Women at War in Not So Quiet."  
Benford, Hashim, "The Final Testament of an Unborn Rape Victim." Commentary by Maureen Muhlena, The Victim Advocacy Center.  
Bojorge, Francis, "Gender and Toys." (Poster)  
Brand'l, Ashley, "Jane Addams and the Settlement Movement: Hull House."  
Cochran, Joan; Curtin, Kathy; Dulanto, Andrea; Marshall, Diane; and McDermott, Laura, "The Emotional Sestina: If Only I'd Known About It; The Bad Lines Poem; The Fitting Room; Found Gender; Feminist Ghazal."  
Garcia, Richard, "The Social Performance of Gender: A Play on Power and Inequality." (Poster)  
Guerrero, Maria; Padron, Gisela; and Sanchez, Monica, "Making Waves: The Women's Studies Annual Student Journal."  
Hernandez, Cynthia S., "Women Working in Miami-Dade Condominiums and Their Struggle for Worker's Rights."  
Lee, Sze, "The Female Dragons of China: The Soong Sisters."  
Long, Marlene "Living My Dream of Giving Back While Trying to Balance Motherhood, Career, College, and Volunteerism." (Poster)  
Miranda, Andrea, "Opportunities, Prostitution, Sexual Trafficking: The Reality of Impoverished Women in Developing Countries."  
Moreno, Shannon, "Women of the Harlem Renaissance: Beyond Zora Neale Hurston."  
Muñiz, Helen; and Navarro, Nathaniel "Tallahassee: Lobbying for the Equal Rights Amendment."  
Murray, Susan, "Women in the Film and Television Industry and Their Experiences Regarding the Effects of the "Glass Ceiling."  
Perez, Chassah, and Lowe, Shirley "Is Miami 'Killing Us Softly': Negative Images of Women in Local Advertising and How to Challenge Them."  
Rosenthal, Lindsay, "The Danger of Charter Schools in New Orleans: A Feminist Perspective."  
Yeomans, Tiffany, "A Perspective of Feminism Through Culture." (Poster)  
Yeomans, Tiffany, "What Color is Woman?"

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### Performance: The Vagina Monologues

V-Day Florida International University 2007

A Production of Eve Ensler's The Vagina Monologues As Part of the V-Day College Campaign

Performance Dates: February 9, 10, & 11, 2007

This year the Women's Studies Student Association at FIU hosted a benefit production of "The Vagina Monologues" to raise funds for the Victim Advocacy Center and the Women's Studies Center, and most importantly, raise awareness of the violence aimed at women and girls around the world. Proceeds from the event were donated to groups working to end violence against women. About \$3,300 from ticket sales was donated the FIU Women's Studies Center to fund the Lobby Day field trip to Tallahassee to lobby for women's rights.

**Production Team:** Maria Lopez Boada, Eun Jeong Cheng, Ana Gomez, Vanessa Gomez, Hiliana Gomez, Sze Lee, Andrea Lopez, Shayna Quicero.

**Special Thanks to:** Andrea Miranda and Vincent Chiu Hung

#### Program List:

**Introduction,** Anjanette Perez, Nicole Carter, and Simone Worsdale

**The Flood,** Sashle Eslaquit

**Wear and Say,** Nicole Carter, Simone Worsdale, and Sashle Eslaquit

**The Vagina Workshop,** Emily Frail

**Vagina Happy Fact,** Sonia Sheron

**Because He Liked to Look At It,** Anjanette Perez

**I Was 12. My Mother Slapped Me.** Raynel Kinchen

**Not-So-Happy-Fact,** Sonia Sheron

**My Angry Vagina,** Brigitte Canales

**Intermission— 15 minutes**

**My Vagina Was My Village,** Nicole Carter

**The Little Coochi Snorcher That Could,** Emily Frail

**Smell,** Sonia Sheron

**Reclaiming Cunt,** Veronica Benitez

**A six-year-old girl was asked...** Raynel Kinchen

**The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas**

**Happy,** Veronica Benitez

**I Was There In The Room,** Simone Worsdale



*l-r: Emily Frail, Brigitte Canales, Sze Lee, Nicole Carter, Veronica Benitez, and Ana Gomez.*



*l-r: Chung, Sze, Federico, Hiliana, and Ana.*

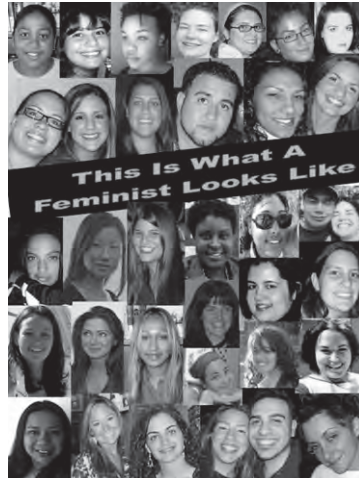


*l-r: Sashlie Eslaquit, Emily Frail, Brigitte Canales, Anjanette Perez, Raynel Kinchen, Simone Worsdale, Sonia Sherone, Veronica Benitez, and Nicole Carter.*

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Making Waves, Vol. 5: Journal Publication

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**Student Associations and Activities**

**Women's Studies Student Association (WSSA)**

<http://www.fiu.edu/~wssa/>

During the fifth year of the Women's Studies Student Association, there were 40 active members. WSSA received a Rising Star Award from the Student Organization Council.



*l-r: Andrea Miranda, Patricia Gousse-La Coa, Ana Gomez, Sze Lee, Hiliana Gomez, Maria Lopez-Boada, and Vanessa Gomez.*

**WSSA Officers**

	<i>Spring 07</i>	<i>Fall 2006</i>
<i>President</i>	Sze Lee	Sze Lee
<i>Vice President</i>	Ana Gomez	Ana Gomez
<i>Secretary</i>	Hiliana Gomez	Hiliana Gomez
<i>Treasurer</i>	Andrea Lopez	Andrea Lopez

**WSSA Members**

Acosta, Nicole	Eun Jeong, Chung	Macyke, Cari	Petrocelli, Derek
Aiyana-Baoda, Nellie	Gomez, Vanessa	Marie, Lis	Quicero, Shayna
Barnhill, Kari	Gomez, Yahurys	Michelena, Catherine	Rocha, Cynthia
Bell, Lorraine	Gousse-La Coa, Patricia	Negron, Vanessa	Saenz, Luis
Butkovitz, Robin	Haystead, Abby	Nenero, Sebastian	Sanchez, Monica
De Cardenas, Sofia	Johnson, Delicia	Oliva, Felix	Shaftel, Emily
Deravakian, Sharis	Julien, Aimee	Paez, Lily	Swanson, Sonja
Digiovanni, Lauren	Lopez-Boada, Maria	Pereira, Roselyn	Vascianna, Nicole
Dominguez, Gricel	Lucho, Jose	Pesce, Nicole	Young, Leah

WSSA Activities Fall 06:

- Volunteer mailing for the Women's History Coalition & Women's Studies Center.
- SOC Club Fair, SOC Leadership Workshops.
- Fundraiser: Donation Letters; Sale of Shot Glasses and Pens.
- Women's Rights Workshops at South Florida CAN Summit. Held by Campus Activist Network.
- Women's Day. Women's fair in GC, with The Vagina Monologues performance sneak peek.
- Beauty Awareness Session. Held by Victim Advocacy Center (Mary Kay's Rep).
- Clinic Defense (A Choice for Women Clinic). Organized by Miami Clinic Access Project (MCAP).
- No Limits: "Leaders that Conquer."
- 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception of the Miami Dade Commission for Women. Volunteered at the reception. Met with Marie Wilson, President of the White House Project.
- FIU Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner; FIU Football Game (Homecoming).
- The Art of Surviving: A Tribute to the End of Violence.
- Thanksgiving Food Drive/Dinner; Clothing and Toy Drive for Safespace Women's Shelter.



## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED



*l-r: Vanessa Gomez, Chung Eun Jeong, Patricia Gousse-La Coa, Sze Lee, Hiliana Gomez, Maria Lopez-Boada, Andrea Miranda, and Ana Gomez.*

### WSSA Activities Spring 07:

- SOC Club Fair; Leadership Workshops.
- Engage Workshop: "Recruit and Retain," F.I.U. Leadership Summit 2007.
- Fundraiser: Sale of Shot Glasses, Pens and Donuts; Umoja Village (Shanty Town).
- The Vagina Monologues Performance. Raise funds to stop violence against girls and women.
- Women Who Lead. Organized by the Women's Center.
- Young Activist Training. Organized by Planned Parenthood.
- Clinic Defense (A Choice for Women Clinic). Organized by Miami Clinic Access Project (MCAP).
- Workshop on Equal Rights Amendment.
- International Women's Day. Set up table in GC to advocate for women's rights and social justice.
- Florida Women of Achievement – Janet Reno.
- Tallahassee Trip to lobby for the Equal Rights Amendment. In collaboration with the Women's Studies Center.
- Miami Dade Commission on Women Meeting. Meet with the board and members of the commission to advocate for social justice.
- Women's Studies Student Conference. In collaboration with the Women's Studies Center.
- Take Back The Night. Organized by the Women's Center.
- Umoja Clothes and Toy Drive.
- Syracuse University Conference: Feminism, Sexuality, and the Return of Religion.

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### Iota Iota Iota, The Women's Studies Honor Society (Triota)

[www.fiu.edu/~triota](http://www.fiu.edu/~triota)

This was the first official academic year after being founded. All sixteen inducted and active members achieved at least a 3.2 cumulative G.P.A. as well as successfully completed three Women's Studies courses.

#### Iota Iota Iota Officers

	<i>Spring 07</i>	<i>Fall 2006</i>
<i>President</i>	Ivanessa Arostegui	Ivanessa Arostegui
<i>Vice President</i>	Helen Muñiz	Helen Muñiz
<i>Treasurer</i>	Megan Kelley	Yisell Cirion
<i>Secretary</i>	Tiffany Yeomans	Alzenir Duque

#### Iota Iota Iota Members 2006-2007 Academic Year

Ivanessa Arostegui	Andrea Lopez	Cynthia Ruiz
Yisell Cirion	Francesca Menes	Monica C. Sanchez
Alzenir Duque	Helen Muniz	Emily Shaftel
Maria Guerrero	Nathaniel Navarro	Kaydia Stewart
Megan Kelley	Gisela A. Padron	Tiffany Yeomans
	Lindsay Rosenthal	



*Delivering Supplies and Clothes for UMOJA:  
Ivanessa, Andrea, Helen, and Cynthia.*



*Honor Council's Society Fair:  
Ivanessa and Helen.*

#### Iota Iota Iota Events Fall 2006:

- *Dinner for the Lebanese War Victims*- Raised \$14,456 by Co-Sponsoring the dinner as well as printing more than 500 colored and glossed flyers for the event. Searched out and received food donations from local Arabic restaurants and helped set up event. All proceeds went through Islamic Relief directly to the victims in Lebanon.
- *Women's Emergency Network Donation Mailing*- Prepared more than 500 pieces of donation mailing involving writing notes by hand on each letter and preparing all pieces for posting. WEN primarily works and runs on volunteers and donations and the only organization to subsidize abortion-related care in the Greater-Miami area.
- *SAVE Dade*- Telephoned banked for more than 3 hours before the congressional elections of 2006 for issues concerning the preservation of gay rights.
- *Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure*- raised more than \$500 and ran the 5k walk in downtown Miami to help in the search of a cure for breast cancer.
- *Women and Psychology Night*- We hosted this event and watched the documentary "Killing Us Softly III" followed by an eye-opening lecture on the media and its effects on psychological well being by Dr. Stephens.

## I. PROGRAM CONTINUED



### UMOJA VILLAGE

*l-r: Cynthia Ruiz, Helen Muniz, Andrea Lopez, two wonderful women from Umoja Village, Lindsay Rosenthal, and Ivanessa Arostegui on the day of supplies and clothes distribution.*

#### Iota Iota Iota Events Spring 2007:

- *Women's Emergency Network Donation Mailing*- We again prepared more than 500 pieces of donation mailing involving writing notes by hand on each letter and preparing all pieces for posting.
- *Crepes for UMOJA*- We fundraised more than \$400 from making over 150 crepes at home and collected more than 6 large bags full of clothes for the community of homeless people in Liberty City. We met and discussed at length with the women of UMOJA in order to respond to all their personal needs.
- *Distribution of Supplies and Clothes for UMOJA*- We bought personalized and size specific tennis shoes, bras, and underwear for the 10 women we met in UMOJA. We also bought bulk items for the community at large of pads, tampons, soap, toilet paper, battery operated touch lamps, batteries, water, toothbrushes, shampoo, powder, wet wipes, dog food etc. We distributed all the supplies and clothes personally.
- *Status of Women Documentary Night*- We hosted this event and watched a documentary on the status of women in the third world. This was followed by a discussion on the video as well as dinner.
- *End of Year Dinner at the Rusty Pelican*- We invited members and special guests to this dinner in honor of graduating seniors and newly inducted incoming e-board.

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### Women in Computer Science at FIU (WICS)

The purpose of the Women in Computer Science at FIU (WICS) is to foster retention of women in the School of Computer Science and to attract incoming women students to major in computer science.

Advisor: Silvia Minero

Website: (<http://www.cis.fiu.edu/wics>)



*Smadar Michal Krell*



*Irene Polycarpou*



*Julia Navarro*

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#### Summer/Fall 2006:

- *Lecture/Workshop*  
Resume writing and job interviewing skills, Helen Godfrey, in conjunction with career services.  
Interactive Multimedia: What's in it for Computer Science, Prof. Rachelle Heller, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Mount Vernon Campus of the George Washington University.
- Bank Atlantic Arena Tour and Hockey game.
- Christmas Toy Drive, Miami Children's Hospital.

#### Spring 2007:

- *Lecture/Workshop*  
Invited Yara Boullosa, System Engineer, Cisco Mexico, based in Miami to discuss Cisco as a company; opportunities in Cisco; her personal experience in Cisco; and things she has learned as an Engineer in a historically male dominated field.  
- Street Self Defense, for FEMALES only.  
- IBM'S Text-to-Speech Technology, Dr. Maria Smith, Ph.D. in Computer Science, Cornell University.
- Visited Lotus House (Homeless Women) and made donations.

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### FIU - National Organization for Women (FIU – NOW)

Advisor: Suzanne Onorato, Associate Director, Women's Center (Division of Student Affairs)



*Sisterhood Retreat 2007: A.J. Costa, Amber Meneses, Gloria Bauta, Tara Warshaw, Suzanne Onorato, Bronwen Bares, Betty Mathurin, Rachel Alexander.*



*Florida Women of Achievement Luncheon: Andrea Lopez, Ana Gomez, Bronwen Bares, Jenny Balladares, Shawna Mc Nair, Helen Muniz, Suzanne Onorato, Daniela Ottati, Lindsay Rosenthal, Rocio Perez, Dr. Beverly Dalrymple, Providence Okoye, Tara Warshaw, Nina Nunez, Betty Mathurin.*

#### Executive Board

Whitney Otah, Biology major, President  
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Advisor: Suzanne Onorato, Associate Director, Women's Center

#### NOW Activities Fall 06:

- Women Rock the Vote Program with SGA, Planned Parenthood, and WSSA. Tabled by 6 Eboard members with approximately 50 people "stopping" by tables and registering to vote.
- NOW EBoard fall retreat and planning attended by all EBoard members
- Coming Out Day with Stonewall, Residential Life, MPAS. Attended by 100 students
- Sisterhood Retreat. Attended by 4 EBoard members.
- The Day I Opened My Eyes play with Planned Parenthood, Stonewall, WSSA. Attended by 6 members of NOW
- MDCW 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception w/Marie Wilson. Attended by an Eboard member.

#### NOW Activities Spring 07:

- NOW EBoard spring retreat and planning. Attended by all EBoard members
- Relay for Life. Attended by 2 members.
- Women Who Lead conference. Attended by all EBoard and 6 members.
- Florida Women of Achievement: 1 on 1 with Janet Reno. Attended by 5 members.
- Love Your Body Program sponsored by NOW. Attended by 6 students.
- Take Back the Night. 10 EBoard officers and members served as volunteers and participants.
- Florida Women of Achievement. FIU Trustee Sugranes sponsored 1 EBoard member.

## I. ACADEMIC PROGRAM CONTINUED

### Women's Studies Student & Faculty Travel

Donor contributions provided opportunities for travel to our students and faculty.



*Florida Women's Consortium Lobby Days delegates from FIU.*

- Ivanessa Arostegui, Sze Lee, National Women's Studies Association annual conference, Oakland, CA, June 2006.
- Beverly Thompson, Postdoctoral job candidate interview, July 2006.
- Trip for the Equal Rights Amendment, Florida Women's Consortium Lobby Days, Tallahassee, FL, March 18-20, 2007.: Eun Jeong Chung, Sarah Cordelle, Richard Garcia, Ana Gomez, Hiliana Gomez, Vanessa Gomez, Patricia Gousse-Lacao, Sze Lee, Andrea Lopez, Andrea Miranda, Helen Muniz, Nathaniel Navarro, Jeremy Triana, Tiffany Yeomans with faculty Suzanna Rose and Beverly Thompson.
- Syracuse University conference, Feminism, Sexuality and the Return of Religion, April 26-27, 2007: Ana Gomez, Hiliana Gomez, Vanesa Gomez, Sze Lee, Maria Lopez-Boada,

### WSSA Members Attending the Syracuse University Conference



*Sze Lee with Rebecca Walker,  
Keynote Speaker.*



*Ana Gomez, Maria Lopez-Boada, and Sze Lee.*

## *Women's Studies Faculty and Staff*



*Lara Kriegel  
Associate Professor, History*



*Meri-Jane Rochelson  
Professor, English*



*Ginette Curry  
Lecturer, English*



*Dawn Addy, Director, Labor Center (arrow) with  
Southern School for Union Women members.*



*Wilhelmina (Wilma) Dagdag,  
Administrative Assistant  
Women's Studies Center*



*Kathleen Martin  
Associate Professor  
Sociology/Anthropology*



*Jose Gabilondo  
Associate Professor, Law*



## *Women's Studies Spring Gala*



*Professors Aurora Morcillo, Lynne Barrett, and Suzanna Rose.*

More than 100 attended the first FIU Women's Studies Spring Gala and fundraiser held at the home of Annie Goodrich.



*Gayle Bainbridge (Elliott, McKiever, & Stowe, Inc. & Chair of the FIU Women's Studies Board of Advisors), Marjorie Adler (City of Coral Gables & Board Member), and Annie Goodrich (FIU & Hostess)*



*Dr. Glenda (Rusty) Belote (FIU & Board Member) and Founding Members of Women's Studies, Professors Marilyn Hoder-Salmon and Dr. Joyce Peterson*



*Hiliana Gomez, Sze Lee, Dr. Judith Stiehm, and Andrea Miranda.*



*Left: Annie Betancourt and Mary Young, Members of WS Board of Advisors*



## *Women's Studies Student Activism*

FIU's Third Lobby Trip for the Equal Rights Amendment.

For the third year, the FIU Women's Studies Center sent a delegation to the Florida Women's Consortium conference and lobby days at Tallahassee from March 18-20, 2007. Fourteen students and two professors went to their legislators to lobby for the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment.



*At the State Capitol (l-r): Ana Gomez, Vanesa Gomez, Sze Lee, Patricia Gousse La Coa, Hiliana Gomez, Andrea Miranda, Richard Garcia, Eun Jeong Chung, Nate Navarro, Beverly Thompson, Sara Cardelle, Tiffany Yeomans, Andrea Lopez, Helen Muniz, and Jeremy Triana.*



*FIU student delegation with fellow lobbyists.*



*FIU student delegation with fellow lobbyists.*

### **Women's Studies in the Classroom**



*l-r: Beverly Thompson (faculty), Helen Muniz, Nate Navarro, Sarah Thompson, and Ashley Brand'l commenting on the representation of women in the media.*

Fiorella Sarmiento of the Miami Herald photographed and interviewed students in Prof. Thompson's Introduction to Women's Studies class. The article appeared on Nov. 12, 2006

### **The Vagina Monologues 2007**



*l-r: Eun Jeong Chung, Maria Lopez-Boada, Sze Lee, Sara Cardelle, and Hiliana Gomez on opening night. Several hundred people attended each of the three performances.*

## *Women's Studies Student Activities*



**The White House Project.** *l-r: Alex Burke, Andrea Lopez, Marie Wilson, Sze Lee, and Ana Gomez.*



**Women Who Lead.** *l-r: Bronwen Bares, Coordinator - Women's Center & Ctr for Leadership-BBC; Cassandra Boyd, graduate student (Higher Ed Admin); Suzanne Onorato, Director, Women's Center; Tara Warshaw, graduate asst., Women's Center; Gloria Bauta, program assistant, Women's Center; Allison McComb, Asst. Director, Multicultural Programs and Services*



**Women's Studies Student Conference.** *l-r: Lindsay Rosenthal, AshleyBrand'l, Susan Murray, Chassah Perez, and Shirley Lowe.*



**Above:** Students joined the "Take Back the Night" march and rally. It was held to promote sexual assault awareness, prevention, and safety on our campus and in our community.



**WSSA Celebration of Activism.** *l-r: Ana Gomez, Sze Lee, Andrea Lopez, Vanessa Gomez, Hiliana Gomez, and Patricia Gousse La Coa.*



**TRIOTA end of year dinner.** *l-r: Ivanessa Arostegui, Mariana Carlucci, Gisela Padron, and Helen Muniz.*

III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Women of Distinction Series 2006 – 2007



*Eleanor Heartney*

**A Room of One's Own:  
A Conversation with Featured  
Artists: Teresita Fernández,  
María Elena González,  
Quisqueya Henríquez and María  
Martínez-Cañas.** Moderated by  
Eleanor Heartney, Art Critic

Oct. 11, 2006, Frost Art Museum  
Co-sponsored by The Frost Art Museum  
and Student Government Association.



*Myla Goldberg*

**Wickett's Remedy**  
Myla Goldberg  
Author

Nov. 8, 2006  
Books & Books  
Coral Gables



*Marie Wilson*

**Marie Wilson, President  
The White House Project**

Nov. 16, 2006  
Grand Bay Miami Hotel  
Coconut Grove

Hosted by Miami-Dade County  
Commission for Women.



*Kimberly Harrison*

**A Maryland Bride in the Deep  
South: The Civil War Diary of  
Priscilla Bond**  
Kimberly Harrison, Ph.D.  
Department of English, FIU

Jan. 24, 2007  
Books & Books  
Coral Gables



*Patricia Ireland*

**Women Who Lead**  
Patricia Ireland  
Former President  
National Organization for Women

Feb.20, 2007  
Graham Center Ballroom

Co-sponsored by the  
Women's Center & SGA.



**Women of Impact XIX**  
2007 Honorees & Photographic  
Exhibition 1989-2006

Mar. 1, 2007  
BankUnited Center  
University of Miami

Hosted by the Women's History  
Coalition of Miami-Dade County

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

#### International Programs

##### The International Women's Studies and Gender Consortium



*University of the Western Cape*



*Universidad Nacional  
De Colombia*



*Universidad De Granada*

The Consortium is made up of the following Women's Studies Programs:

- FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, Miami FL; representatives Prof. Aurora Morcillo & Suzanna Rose
- UNIVERSIDAD DE GRANADA, located in Granada, Spain; reps Prof. Margarita Birriel & Lola Sanchez
- FEZ UNIVERSITY, located in Morocco; representative Profs. Fatima Sadiqi & Souad Sloui
- UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DE COLOMBIA, located in Bogotá, Colombia; rep. Prof. Patricia Jaramillo
- UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN CAPE in Cape Town, South Africa; rep. Prof. Lindsay Clowes
- BUNDELKHAND UNIVERSITY, Jhansi (U. P.) India; rep. Prof. Aparna Raj

This consortium brings together six Women's Studies programs from universities on five continents to build a long term exchange program between faculty and students. The exchange is part of the general agreement FIU already has signed with University of Granada and Universidad Nacional de Colombia. The agreement indicates that the universities will pursue joint faculty research projects, faculty and student exchanges, and a joint M.A. program.

"We intend to learn about the many ways women in the Southern hemisphere define feminism, self-worth, and commitment to human rights through this international consortium. As western feminists, we realize we have a lot to learn from our colleagues in the Third World," said FIU Professor Aurora Morcillo, co-founder of the consortium project.

#### Czech Summer Study Abroad Program



Florida International University's Czech Summer Program was founded in 1992 as an academically-accredited program that offers students the opportunity to receive upper-division credits in English, Film Studies, Architecture, European Studies, History and Women's Studies in the Czech Republic. Professor Barbara Weitz leads this long-running study abroad program that examines the role of women in the new restructuring of democratic society in the Czech Republic and throughout the former Soviet bloc.

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

#### Friends of Women's Studies

The success of the Friends of Women's Studies fund-raising drive enabled our students to acquire valuable educational experiences outside the classroom and lent support to other Women's Studies events. Women's Studies Donations from 120 Friends funded scholarships, student travel to professional conferences, and outreach activities. The Friends' donations were greatly appreciated.

Ana Abele	Nicola Gelormino	Joyce Peterson
Lourdes Acevedo	Niety Gerson	Elisabeth Prugl
Leslie Ahlander	Sandy Goodwin	Karen Ralston
Irma Alonso	Zoraya Goray	Kathy Ramsey
Maria Anderson	Martha Grafton	Bobette Reeder
Bonnie Askowitz	Christine Gudorf	Vanessa Reyes
Betty Bainbridge	Molly Harris	Kimberly Rice
Terri Bainbridge	Glenda Henderson	Larry Roberts
Elizabeth Baker	Elizabeth Hernandez	Meri-Jane Rochelson
Yvonne Bare	Susan Himburg	Suzanna Rose
Lynne Barrett	Marilyn Hoder Salmon	Cynthia Russo
Doris Bass	Dorothy/Frank Janeczek	Helen Salazar-Realini
Annie Betancourt	Valerie Johnsen	Rebecca Salokar
Maria Bidegain	Elizabeth Juerling	Joan Sampieri
Patricia Birch	Nilza Kallos	Emily Santos
Marie Birts	Suzanne Keeley	Nancy Schleifer
Bonnie Blaire	Kathleen Kennedy-Olsen	Francine Schoen
Ellen Blasi	Judy Kilburn	Ruth Shack
Elizabeth Brady	Francena Koch	Jonnie & David Shepherd
Schirley Busch	Suzanne Koptur	Ellen Siegel - in honor of
Adriana Bylsma	Margarita Kurtz	Helen Venero
Gisela Casines	Mitchell Lam	Jacqueline Simkin
Maria Castellanos	Elena Langan	Judith Stiehm
Dale Chapman Webb	Debra Leibowitz	Danielle Strickman
Janis Cheezem	Dona Lubin	Rosa Sugranes
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Linda Collins Hertz	Janet McAliley	Eugenia Thomas
Adrienne DiPrima	Beverly Mendoza	Ann Travis
Paula Ehrlich	Sharyne Mettee	Nan Van Den Bergh
Emily England	Yvonne Montalto	Helena Venero
Lori Fabry	Marilyn Montgomery	Victoria Villalba
Catherine Fahringer	Aurora Morcilo	Diane Vollrath
Monica Faraldo	Laura Morilla	Bernice Waldman
Dorothy Fields	Rosa Naccarato	Dolly Waldman
Audrey Finkelstein	Suzanne Onorato	Sue & Douglas Wartzok
Jose Gabilondo	Diana Parker	Ophelia Weeks
Evelyn Gaiser	Judith Parker	Pauline Winick
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		Mary Young



### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

#### Elaine Gordon Scholarship Endowment

The Elaine Gordon Scholarship Endowment was established in 1999 to honor the life and work of Elaine Gordon (1931-2000). Ms. Gordon was a pioneering feminist elected to the Florida House in 1972 who was a leading advocate on issues involving health care, mental health, children and women's reproductive rights. In 1982, she was one of the first six women inducted into the Florida Women's Hall of Fame in Tallahassee. After retiring from the legislature in 1994, Ms. Gordon worked for FIU as an Assistant Vice President until 1999.

Ten donors contributed \$ 7,259.60 to the endowment this year. Their generous contribution makes it possible for one Women's Studies student to receive a scholarship each year. Recent donors are listed below. The Gordon endowment now stands at about \$67,750.

#### Elaine Gordon Scholarship Donors

Maria Aysa-Lastra	Brian Gadinsky, in memory of
Kathleen Close	Sigfredo Barker
Suzanne Dalton	Liebe & Seth Gadinsky
Adrienne Di Prima	Molly Harris
Brian Gadinsky	Robert Levy
Brian Gadinsky, in honor of	Joy & Jerry Monkarsh
Elaine Gordon's birthday	Suzanna Rose
Brian Gadinsky, in honor of	Stanley Tate
Kandy Hill's birthday	

#### FIU Women's Studies Center Spring Gala

The first Spring Gala fundraiser was held at the home of Annie Goodrich, former FIU employee and volunteer *extraordinaire*. More than a hundred people attended and enjoyed conversation and delicious crepes. The event raised about \$5,000 for scholarships. A good time was had by all! (see centerfold pictures)

#### *Hosted by*

Annie Betancourt  
Evelyn Langlieb Greer  
Dale Chapman Webb  
Mary M. Young

#### *Brought by*

The FIU Women's Studies Board of Advisors  
Gayle Bainbridge, Chair; Marjorie Adler; Carol Alexander; Maria Anderson;  
Elizabeth Baker; Glenda (Rusty) Belote; Roberta Fox; Evelyn Langlieb Greer;  
Maria Millheiser; Pat Klock Parker; Mary Lou Pfeiffer; Carolina Rendeiro; Helen Venero;  
and Friends of the Board, Annie Goodrich and Diana Parker.

#### *Event Sponsors*

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Association for Women in Psychology

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

#### Women's Studies Speaker Series & Events

*Women's Studies Colloquium, Jane WTO: The Global Justice Movement and Women's Experience*, Beverly Yuen Thompson, Ph.D., New School University, New York City, NY, DM 258, July 6, 2006.

**Welcome Reception for Jaina Nun**, Samaniji Charitra Prajna, Visiting Fellow, Center for the Study of Spirituality, Visiting Professor, Department of Religious Studies, GL220, Aug. 27, 2006. Co-sponsored by the Institute for Asian Studies.

**Mosaic of Women Plaza Design Meeting**, DM 140, Sep. 9, 2006.

**FIU Women's Studies Center Faculty Meeting and Social**, DM 140, Sep. 15, 2006.



*The Islamic Relief speaker with an MSA member.*

**Fundraising Dinner to Benefit Lebanese Victims**, Naeem Muhammad, Islamic Relief Representative, GC East Ball Room, Sep. 15, 2006.



*Women being served delicious Pakistani and Arabic food.*

**An Indian Jain Nun**, Samaniji Charitra Prajna, Jaina nun, GC Ballroom – East, Sept. 19, 2006. Co-sponsored by Center for the Study of Spirituality, Department of Religious Studies, and Institute for Asian Studies.

**Mosaic of Women Plaza Design Meeting**, DM 140, Oct. 7, 2006.

**A Room of One's Own: A Conversation with Featured Artists: Teresita Fernández, María Elena González, Quisqueya Henríquez and María Martínez-Cañas. Moderated by Eleanor Heartney, Art Critic**, Frost Art Museum, UP Campus, FIU, Oct. 11, 2006. Co-sponsored by The Patricia & Philip Frost Art Museum and Student Government Association of FIU.

*Book Signing, Champions for Peace: Women Winners of the Nobel Peace Prize*, Judith Hicks Stiehm, Professor, Department of Political Science - FIU, FIU Book Store, Graham Center Oct. 12, 2006.

**Women in Astronomy Throughout History**, Dr. Caroline Simpson, FIU Astronomer, CP145, Oct. 13, 2006, Co-sponsored by Dept. of Physics.

**Women's Studies Faculty Writing Group Meeting**, Books & Books, Oct. 15, 2006.

**Mulheres do Brasil/Women of Brazil**, presented by the film's director, Malu de Martino. The film was screened earlier this year as part of the Brazilian Film Festival in Miami, where it won the Audience Award and the Award for Best Sound. GC 243, Oct. 16, 2006. Co-sponsored by Latin American Caribbean Center



### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

**Yo Soy Latina/I Am Latina**, Produced by Latino Flavored Productions. Graham Center Ballroom, UP Campus, FIU Oct. 17, 2006. Co-sponsored by Student Programming Council and Women's Center at FIU.

**Global Feminist Questions**, Brooke Ackerly, Ph.D., Vanderbilt University, MARC Building, Oct 26, 2006. Co-sponsored by The Ruth K. & Shepard Broad Educational Series of the Department of International Relations; the Shepard Broad Foundation, Inc.; the Department of International Relations. Presented by The Jack D. Gordon Institute of Public Policy and Citizenship Studies.

**The Shape of Water**, Narrated by Susan Sarandon with narration co-written by Edwidge Danticat. Made by first-time, award-winning filmmaker, Kum-Kum Bhavnani. Cinema Paradiso, Fort Lauderdale, FL, Oct. 28, 2006. Presented by Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival.

**Women and Islam**, Dr. Fatima Amrani Zerrifi, Senior Lecturer, English Department, Sidi Mohamed Ben Abdellah Fes University, Morocco, DM 110, Oct. 30, 2006. Co-sponsored by Department of Religious Studies.



Dr. Zerrifi



*Theater Event, The Day I Opened My Eyes*, GC Ballrooms, Nov. 6, 2006. Co-sponsored by Planned Parenthood and the Women's Center, Produced by KT Curran, SOURCE Director/Producer.

**Mujeres Negra en la Historia Brasilena**, Janira Sodre Mira, FIU Visiting Scholar, DM 353, Nov. 9, 2006. Co-sponsored by FIU - Latin American and Caribbean Center.

**Raza y Racismo en Brasil**, Janira Sodre Mira, FIU Visiting Scholar, DM 353, Nov. 14, 2006. Co-sponsored by FIU - Latin American and Caribbean Center.

**Women's Studies Faculty Meeting**, DM 258, video-conference with LIB 155, BBC, Nov. 17, 2006.

**Reconciliation: The Face of Justice in the 21st Century**, Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz, Ph.D., Professor of Ethics & Theology, Drew University, GL 220, Feb. 6, 2007. Co-sponsored by The Latin American & Caribbean Center, The Cuban Research Institute, and the Dept. of Religious Studies.

**Colloquium, The Political Utility of the Nonpolitical Child in Sri Lanka's Territorial Contest**, Margo Kleinfeld, Ph.D., Asst. Professor, Geography and Geology, Univ. of Wisconsin – Whitewater, DM140, Feb. 8, 2007.

**The Vagina Monologues**, FIU Student Performance, GL 100 Feb. 9-11, Co-sponsored by the Women's Studies Student Association.

FIU College of Law, **Dedication of the Rafael Diaz-Balart Hall, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg**, keynote address (with other dignitaries), Pharmed Arena, Feb. 10, 2007.



Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg



### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED



**The Vagina Monologues:** left: the production team; right: the audience during the reception.

**Get a Jump on Equal Pay Day--Women Negotiating Higher Pay, A Better Deal**, Panelists: Cindy Krischer Goodman, Miami Herald Work/Life columnist; Annette Taddeo, CEO of LanguagSpeak, Inc. and former Chair of Women's Chamber of Miami-Dade; Robin Reiter Faragalli, philanthropic consultant, former CEO of Children's Hospital Foundation and former Human Resources VP, Miami Herald. Women's Park Historical Gallery, Miami, Feb. 15, 2007. Co-sponsored by American Association of University Women-Miami Branch.

*Colloquium, Kinship Politics: Shifting Constructions of Space, Identity and International Community*, Vrushali Patil, Ph.D., Visiting Assistant Professor, Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Mary Washington, DM 140, Feb. 22, 2007.

**Elaine Gordon Scholarship Application Deadline**, DM 212, Feb. 23, 2007.

*Women's Studies Student Conference, Submission of Proposals*, DM 212, Feb. 23, 2007.



Monroe

*Colloquium, Who's on the Line? Gender and Nation in U.S.-Outsourced Call Centers to India*, Winifred Poster, Ph.D., Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, DM 140, Feb. 26, 2007.

*FIU LGBTQA Spring Spirituality Day, Spirituality LGBT Style*, Rev. Irene Monroe, GC 150, GC 243 Feb. 26, 2007.

*Colloquium, Race and Food at the Minneapolis Farmers' Market: A Feminist Geography*, Rachel Slocum, Ph.D. Geography, Asst. Prof., Sociology & Anthropology, St. Cloud State Univ., DM 140, Mar. 1, 2007.

**On Doing Politics Differently: Haitian Women Movement and Their Relationship with the State**, Dr. Carolle Charles, Baruch College, CUNY, Wolfe University Center – BBC, Mar. 1, 2007. Co-sponsored by African-New World Studies.

**Florida Women of Achievement**, Photography exhibit to honor this year's awardees (Janet Reno, Alex Sink, Sue Miller and Peggy Quince), part of Coral Gables First Friday Gallery Walk night. Actor's Playhouse, Miracle Mile Theater, Coral Gables, Mar. 2, 2007. A special session for FIU conducted by the honorees, Mar. 10, 2007.

**Jane WTO: Women and Civil Disobedience**, Beverly Yuen Thompson, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Fellow, Women's Studies, FIU, DM 140, Mar. 6, 2007.

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED



**Lobby Days & Annual Meeting, Florida Women's Consortium**, Annual field trip by Women's Studies students to lobby for the Equal Rights Amendment, Tallahassee, FL, Mar. 18-20, 2007.

**Women's Studies Student Conference - Year VI**, GC Ballroom – East, Mar. 29, 2007.

**Take Back the Night**, GC Fountain -UP, Apr. 5, 2007; WUC Panther Square-BBC, Apr. 11, 2007. Sponsored by The Women's Center, Student Affairs.

**Florida Women of Achievement**, Luncheon and award presentation, Biltmore Hotel, Coral Gables, Apr. 11, 2007.

**The FIU Women's Studies Center Spring Gala**, At the home of Annie Goodrich, April 22, 2007.

**Call to Women Photographers Living in Florida**, Terri Weissman, Ph. D., Juror, Submission deadline, May 5, 2007. Organized by The Feminist Art Project - Florida (TFAP-FL).

**Women of Asia Photo Exhibit**, Ellen Goldberg, Miami Beach-based photographer, BBC LIBRARY – FI, May 7-28, 2007. Co-sponsored by FIU's Biscayne Bay Campus Library, Center for the Study of Spirituality, Institute for Asian Studies, Department of Religious Studies, and Women's Studies Program.



*Take Back the Night.*

**Miami-Dade Women's Summit 2007: Women Finding Common Ground**, Miami Dade College, May 12, 2007. Co-sponsored by Women's Fund of Miami-Dade, the Miami-Dade County Commission for Women, and Miami-Dade Federation of Women's Clubs.

**III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH CONTINUED**

**Women’s Center Programs and Services (Division of Student Affairs)  
Suzanne Onorato, Associate Director**

**Mentoring Partnership Program**

This year the center was able to pair 48 FIU students on the University Park and Biscayne Bay Campus with a faculty, staff or alumnae to serve as a mentor. Throughout the year the Women’s Center sponsored a variety of programs to support these relationships and develop a mentoring community including a monthly newsletter highlighting these women’s relationship and activities.

September 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mentor Training - UPC
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Mentor Training - BBC
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	Meet and Greet Gala and Goal Setting - UPC
September 21 <sup>st</sup>	Meet and Greet Gala and Goal Setting - BBC
January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Just Desserts Networking Social
April 16 <sup>th</sup>	End of Year Celebration

**Women Coming Together**

Our newest program, designed to support our “more seasoned” or “non-traditional” women students at FIU. WCT (Women Coming Together) is a discussion group designed to provide a meeting place, networking opportunity, resources and supportive environment. WCT is open to women who are returning to school after a hiatus, are starting college later in life and/or are balancing the demands of school, work and family.

January 28 <sup>th</sup>	Networking Gala – a variety of offices shared information about how their programs and services can support these women (Library, Children’s Creative Learning Center, Counseling, UPolice, MPAS, Wellness, UHS, Learning Center, Advising)
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	Time and Stress Management with Counseling and Psych Services
January 29 <sup>th</sup>	Financial Planning for Women – with Helen Simon CFA and College of Business faculty

**Wild Succulent Women**

A monthly programmatic series held late night in the residence halls on both the University Park and Biscayne Bay Campuses. This program is designed to facilitate candid talk about difficult issues including body image, sexuality and relationships.

September	Sexuality	January	Cheating
October	Love and Relationships	February	Abstinence
November	Dating Myths and Stereotypes	March	The Barbie War

**The Sisterhood Retreat**

A weekend retreat designed to enhance the personal development of our women students and create a community of sisterhood across campus. Thirty FIU women students attended this weekend retreat Oct 13 – 15<sup>th</sup> in Alva FL and participated in workshops, team building activities and personal reflection exercises.

**Women Who Lead Conference - February 20<sup>th</sup>**

Women Who Lead was an evening conference which opened with keynote speaker Suzanna Rose, Director Women’s Studies. Students had the opportunity to hear stories and advice from women leaders in our community. Two breakout sessions were offered during which students chose from a variety of topics including “Women in Business,” “Women in Politics,” “Women with Disabilities,” “ Women in Education,” and “Developing Your Leadership Plan.”

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH CONTINUED

#### Women's Center Programs and Services (Division of Student Affairs) continued

##### Take Back the Night

A march and rally held annually on both campuses that promotes awareness about sexual assault and violence against women. The program includes a speaker and educational stations created by student organizations.  
April 5<sup>th</sup> University Park; April 12<sup>th</sup> Biscayne Bay

##### Other Programs Facilitated by the Women's Center (Student Affairs)

##### University Park Campus – Fall Programs

- Advisory Council Luncheon & Meeting
- NOW Executive Board Retreat and Planning Day
- VEO (Valuing Each Other) Workshop with MPAS – Self Esteem
- National Coming Out Day Awareness Program with Stonewall, Housing and Residential Life, MPAS
- Lunch and Learn – Breast Cancer Awareness with Wellness Center
- Women of Brazil movie with LACC
- Tabling for Women's Day with WSSA
- Beauty and Awareness with Victim Advocacy Center and Mary Kay cosmetics
- Yo Soy Latina play with Student Programming Council
- Race for the Cure – team
- The Day I Opened My Eyes – play sponsored by NOW, Women's Center and Planned Parenthood
- Attended Miami-Dade Commission for Women Anniversary Reception – Women's Center delegation included 4 students and 3 professionals from both campuses

##### Biscayne Bay Campus – Fall Programs

- National Coming Out Day program
- Late Day Lattes with Campus Life (monthly)
- VEO (Valuing Each Other) Workshop with MPAS – GLBT Campus Acceptance

##### University Park Campus – Spring Programs

- NOW Eboard spring retreat
- Women in Industry night with Career Services
- Women in Science Reception with Dr. Grace Wang in collaboration with McNair Scholars program in WIS student organization
- Leadership Summit – presented workshop on Gender Communication
- LGBT Spirituality Day with Religious Studies, Housing and Residential Life
- PEACE Days of Diversity conference – International Women and Leadership
- Lust for Life – Lust for Women's Rights with Counseling and Psych Services
- Florida Women of Achievement educational series with Janet Reno, Alex Sink, Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin
- Day of Silence – with MPAS, ResLife, Stonewall
- LOLA Conference (Latinas Organizing Leadership Advocacy) with CASA, Latina Institute NYC, Planned Parenthood and MD Women's Fund

##### Biscayne Bay Campus – Spring Programs

- Late Day Latte – monthly program
- Cervical Cancer Awareness Month Info Fair with Wellness Center and Health Services
- Sexual Responsibility Info Fair with Wellness Center and Health Services
- PEACE Days of Diversity conference – Heterosexuality and Homosexuality myths and stereotypes
- Women's Celebration Week with BBC SGA
- Spring Break 101
- LGBT101

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

#### Accomplishments of Women's Studies Alumni, 2006-2007

##### BA Alumni



*Natasha Albornoz*



*Raquel Alonso*



*Vanessa Reyes*



*Suzanna Rose with Chontí Valenzuela*

**Albornoz, Natasha.** (WS/English Major 2006). Language Arts teacher at Ferguson High School for Miami Dade public schools. The job provides her with the opportunity to influence children to “adapt to new ideas and circumstances” as well as “to fight for what they believe in while still retaining an open mind.” Plans to pursue a Master’s of Arts in Literature and to continue her path with Women and Gender Studies in the near future.

**Alonso-Orellana, Yessenia.** (WS Major 2003). Assistant Admissions Director for Villa Maria Nursing Center, Miami, Fl.

**Calautti, Anabel.** (WS Major). Program Coordinator for the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program at Henry N. Filer Middle School. Supervises four staff and educates more than a hundred children regarding health, nutrition, music, drama, and dance instruction with the goal of developing well rounded future leaders.

**Bolanos, Luis M.** (WS/ English Major 2006). Pursuing his master’s in English at FIU.

**Boyd, Shyla.** (WS Major 2004). Pursuing master’s degree in Women’s Studies at Towson University, Baltimore, and will graduate in May 2007. Plans to work for a year and then apply to a doctoral program.

**Diaz, Marilyn.** (WS/English major/Master’s in History 2007). Currently teaching at Christopher Columbus Senior High School in Miami, Fl. Her latest paper as a graduate student concerned the women of Lowell, Massachusetts, and the freedoms they gained once they left the farm to work in the mills. Plans on working for either the public or private school system as a social studies teacher within the tenth to twelfth grade.

**Dominguez, Gricel.** (WS/ English Major 2006). She is pursuing her Master’s in English at FIU and will be instructing her first course in Fall 2007 as a teaching assistant. Her proposed thesis topic focuses on gender relations and self-awareness in three modern re-tellings of the “Beauty and the Beast” story.

**Forte, Marcelle.** (WS Major 2006). A substitute teacher for Miami Dade Public Schools. Has applied to graduate school to enter a Physician’s Assistant program. Intends to use the knowledge that she has gained in Women’s Studies to assist her in this pursuit, and eventually work with an OB-GYN physician’s office. (“I know for a fact that what I’ve learned with my B.A. in Women’s Studies will contribute to my studies as an OB-GYN physician’s assistant.”)

**Fraga, Schevon.** (WS Major 2002). Recently graduated from St. Thomas University, School of Law. Plans to take the bar exam in July 2007, and pursue a career as an attorney.

### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED



*Claudia Livini*



*Maria Millheiser*



*Milagros Sowers*

**Fuller, Julie.** (WS/ English Major 2005). English teacher for the Broward County School System. Master's degree student in Information Science at FSU and anticipates enrolling in a master's program in Women's Studies at FIU (once it is approved) within the next few years.

**Irurzun, Michelle.** (WS Major 20003). Completing her Master's Degree in Mental Health Counseling from University of Miami. She will be married to Lieutenant Stephan Gonzalez of the U.S. Army in Sep. 2007.

**Junco-Hall, Gema.** (WS/History Major 1999). Finished law degree at Wake Forest School of Law. Newest Associate in Chapman Law Firm, Greensboro, NC, practicing in the area of immigration law. Married Richard D. Hall, III.

**Lalama, Christina.** (WS/Psychology Major 1999). Therapist in the behavioral health department at Family Counseling Services. Currently working towards licensure and preparing for certification in Play Therapy. Also is doing presentations in the community with The Journey Institute, focusing on rape prevention.

**Livini, Claudia.** (WS Major 2004, Magna Cum Laude).

- Defended her Master's thesis in Religious Studies, "Postmodern and Feminist Foundations for Ethical Reflection on Sexuality and the Body: Ending Religion's Monopoly."
- Conducted a study and a seminal research on Javanese women, particularly Muslim. Center of Religious Cross-Cultural Studies, University of Gadjah Mada, in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, Feb. 2007. Sponsored by the Luce Fellowship Foundation.
- Attended the Conference on "Postmodernism, Culture and Religion" at Syracuse University, New York, April 2007.
- Adjunct instructor, FIU-BBC, Fall 2007, REL 3171, "Sex and Religion", and REL 3301, "Religion: Analysis and Interpretation".
- Will present at the American Academy of Religion (AAR) in November in San Diego.
- Plans to pursue a Ph.D. program.

**Llopiz, Desiree.** (WS Major 2006). Paralegal with James A. Marx, P.A. in Miami. Plans to go to Law School and also get a graduate certificate in Women's Studies.

**Martinez, Rita.** (WS/English Major 1996; MFA in Creative Writing).

- Taught composition classes at Nova Southeastern University during the past year.
- Had her poetry published in *Tigertail, A South Florida Poetry Annual Editor's Choice*; and *Saints of Hysteria: A Half Century of Collaborative American Poetry*.
- Participated in a panel, "Pull My Daisy: The Making of Collaborative Poetry" at the AWP Annual Conference and bookfair.
- Recited the poem, "82 Reasons Not to Get Out of Bed" with poet and FIU professor Denise Duhamel and participated in a Q & A with other poets.
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### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

**Medina, Charlene.** (WS Major 2004). Artist in California. Recently sold the picture, *The Day of the Dead* (front cover).



*Rachel Middleton*

**Rachel Middleton.** (WS Major 2001). Is an organic farmer and co-owner with her two sisters and father of Three Sisters Farm in Miami. She is an advocate of the Slow Food movement that places value on knowing where food come from and slowly savoring it. She and her husband, Eric Knudsen, hope their son, Gus, will be part of the next generation to share their concerns. She was featured in an issue of *Florida International University Magazine*, Winter 2006 (photo, p. 14).

**Millheiser, Maria.** (WS Major 2006). Self-employed. May continue on to pursue a Master's Degree in the near future.

**Morris, Ian.** (History/WS Major 2004). In the Master's program in History at Florida's Gulf Coast University.

**Muhlana, Maureen.** WS Major 2003). After graduation, worked for the FIU Victim Advocacy Center for several years as Education Coordinator. Recently moved to Mundelino, Illinois, with her husband and is working as an Education Services Specialist for the ASVAB Career Exploration Program. The program provides assessment tools to assist high school students in career choice and/or exploration.



*Maureen Muhlana*

**Ortiz, Maria.** (WS Major 2004). Intends to graduate from FIU Law School in 2007. Will intern at the State Attorney's office over the Summer of 2007 to gain more experience in trial litigation. Her dream is to eventually work for the Human Rights Campaign, ACLU, or Lambda Legal defense, to continue fighting for the constitutional rights of gay and lesbian citizens.

**Pekel, Bryan.** (WS Major 2004). Working on a Ph.D. in history at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

**Pineros, Marcela.** (WS Major 2002). At the start of the year, co-founded a web-design consulting and marketing firm with her husband, Guthier Enterprises, Inc., that will focus on providing quality services to clients in fields as diverse as the music industry and sustainability. Recently completed a tour of the Eastern Seaboard playing original independent music. Her music has been played on over thirty radio stations worldwide. She is recording her second album/CD. <http://www.marceonline.com/music.htm>

**Potens, Rachel.** (WS Major 2003). Obtained a Master's Degree in Social Work from FIU. A mobile Crisis Clinician in Broward County specializing in serene and persistent mental illness. Working on becoming a licensed Clinical Social Worker.

**Renwick, Devon Brooke.** (English/WS Major 2006). Receptionist with Entertainment Tonight in Hollywood, CA.

**Reyes, Vanessa.** (WS/Journalism/Communications Major 2004). Continued her career as a freelance writer. Vanessa has written for most South Florida publications such as the Miami Herald, Sun Sentinel, the Jewish Journal of Miami-Dade and the Sunpost. She plans on continuing her writing and starting a family.

**Sowers, Milagros.** (WS/English Major 2002). Was nominated Rookie Teacher of the Year in 2003-2004 at Coral Gables High School. Relocated to Fort Meyers and was nominated Lee County Teacher of the Year for two consecutive years (2004-2006). Was selected to be an English as a Second Language (ESOL) Strategies Trainer for other teachers in Lee County. Plans to pursue a Master's in School Counseling or Administration.



### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

**Supanich, Colleen.** (WS Major 2004). Finishing her master's thesis in cultural anthropology at Florida Atlantic University. Her research focuses on understanding prenatal health seeking behavior in Guatemalan Mayan women in Palm Beach county. Plans to start a Ph.D. program in Comparative Sociology at FIU.

**Valenzuela, Chonti.** (WS Major 2006). Currently attending George Washington University and earning a Master's degree in Women's Studies. ("My first year has been great and has surpassed all my expectations.") She is also a research intern at the Institute for Women's Policy Research, where she worked on several grants. She is a founding member of the Graduate Women's Studies Student Association at GWU that was established to foster friendships and networking.

#### WS Certificate Alumni

**Alonso, Raquel.** (WS Certificate 2006). Was accepted into the Master's program in English Literature at Florida Atlantic University with a teaching assistantship. Plans to specialize in multicultural literature as it relates to the experiences of women from different backgrounds.

**Brannon, Taquesha.** (WS Certificate 2006). Is applying to doctoral programs.

**Campuzano, Mariela.** (WS Certificate 2004). Received a Master's degree in Educational Leadership. Currently working as a coordinator for the FIU Center for Leadership and Service. Will begin the Doctoral Program at FIU in Higher Education Administration in Spring 2008. Gave a presentation at the ACPA/NASPA Joint convention on "A Responsibility to Shape Multicultural Competence: FIU and BGSU Graduate Exchange."

**Christos, Lauren.** (WS Certificate 1994).

- Published *Challenging Censorship in Miami-Dade County: Vamos a Cuba* in 2006.
- Editor of *The Intellectual Freedom Round Table Report* and Chair of the Communications and Publications Committee of the IFRT.
- Editor of *Bay Views: A Newsletter of the Biscayne Bay Library*.
- Currently is a Legislative Advocate for the American College and Research Libraries as well as State Chair for the Intellectual Freedom Committee of the Florida Library Association.
- Member of the National Conversation on Privacy Taskforce for the ALA.

**Diaz, Christine.** (WS Certificate 2005). Employed at Ultrafabrics, LLC., Elmsford, New York. Plans on growing professionally in the textile industry and eventually pursuing a graduate degree.

**DiPrima, Adrienne.** (WS Certificate 1993). Currently a Systems Manager for Miami Dade County. Plans to win the lottery and retire rich!

**Fernandez, Viviana.** (WS Certificate 2006) Working at the Law Office of Michael J. Reppas in Miami Lakes as a legal assistant. Plans to attend FIU Law School.

**Findlay, Sheila.** (WS Certificate 1993). Currently working for the University of Miami as a social worker.



Viviana Fernandez

**Govea, Zuyin.** (WS Certificate 2005). Is engrossed in solidifying her family and currently is expecting her first child. Her future plans include a Master's in Theology or Women's Studies.

**Hernandez, Jillian.** (WS Certificate 2006).

- Upcoming: Book review on girls and aggression to appear in *Feminist Collections: A Quarterly of Women's Studies Resources*, published by the University of Wisconsin.
- Lectures/Presentations: *Images of Empowerment: Reaching At-Risk Teen Girls by Using Contemporary Women Artists as Role Models*, Blueprint for Gender Equity in Education Conference, Long Island Fund for Women and Girls, Stonybrook University, New York, 2007; *Interdisciplinary Actions: Keeping Feminist Artistic Practice Relevant in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wave and Beyond*, College Art Association Conference, New York, 2007; *Other-*



### III. ADVANCEMENT & OUTREACH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

- *In/Other-Out: Ethnicity, Gender, and Otherness in the Work of Miami Artists GisMo and Susan Lee Chun*, Florida Women's Studies Consortium Conference, University of South Florida—Tampa, Florida, 2007; *Be Our Witness: Meditations on Embodiments of the Virgin in the Work of Contemporary Women Artists*, Images of the Virgin Conference, Galeria Tonantzin--San Juan Bautista, California, 2006.
- Film Screening: *La Purisima* (8 min.): Written by Jillian Hernandez; Directed by Yesenia Serra. Davis Feminist Film Fest—University of California, Davis. A young, pregnant Latina's quest to resist machismo culture and create a new definition of motherhood in Miami.
- Exhibitions Curated: *Craft Women and Rebel Grrrls: Selections from the Permanent Collection*, Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), North Miami-- March 10 through June 25, 2007; Upcoming: *MOD 11: Responses to Female Juvenile Imprisonment*, Bas/Fisher Invitational—October through November, 2007.

**Iglesia, Mayte.** (WS Certificate 2004). Earning a Master's degree in counseling psychology. Also teaches Intensive Reading at Braddock Senior High School and an occasional lesson on women's rights.

**Jimenez, Andrea.** (WS Certificate 2001). Currently an Account Executive for McKinney Advertising firm in North Carolina. Will be married in September and will honeymoon in Aruba.

**Lopez, Anisley.** (WS Certificate 2006). Currently an Import specialist for the Department of Homeland Security, and plans to go join the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement as a criminal investigator. She is looking forward to this career, traveling the world, and protecting the nation.

**Macri, Melissa K.** (WS Certificate 2006). Graduated with a Bachelor's in Social Work and went on to pursue her Master's in Social Work at FIU. She will graduate in 2007 and is enrolled in a graduate internship at Joe Dimaggio Children's Hospital at Memorial Regional Hospital in Hollywood, FL.

**Parker, Caroline.** (WS Certificate 2004). Curator of Education for the Patricia and Phillip Frost Art Museum, FIU.

**Pellini, Kimberly.** (WS Certificate 2007). Graduated from Regent University Law School in 2006 with a Juris Doctrate. Passed the North Carolina Bar Exam and began working as an Assistant District Attorney. Plans to pursue a career in law in order to achieve her lifelong goal of becoming a Judge.

**Pruss, Kristine.** (WS Certificate 2005). Plans to pursue a Master's degree in Public Administration/Nutrition.

**Rivero, Ariadna.** (WS Certificate 2003). Graduate student in International Business and working in the finance industry in Miami. Also is developing a corporation to provide tutoring services. Is thankful for the memorable four years at FIU as a student.

**Sanders, Emily.** (WS Certificate 2002). Social Studies teacher and a Justice Teaching Institute Fellow for the Florida Supreme Court. Is also an African American History Advocate for Jose Marti Middle School. Plans to attend the U.S. Supreme Court Teaching Institute and earn a certificate in family mediation.

**Tosca, Ana.** (WS Certificate 1998). Earned a Master's in Human Resources Management from Nova Southern University at the Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship. Started Bleu Group Inc., a human resources consulting firm.

**Townsend, Melissa A.** (WS Certificate 2006). Intends to pursue a Master's Degree in either Journalism or Psychology. Plans to teach English or Language Arts to middle or high school students.

**Travieso, Vanessa.** (WS Certificate 2005). Currently is pursuing a career with SunTrust Bank.

**Trucchio, Kara.** (WS Certificate 2006). Middle School teacher in Miami and enjoying the school environment. Plans to pursue a Master's in School Guidance and Mental Health Counseling.

**Zuniga, Paula.** (WS Certificate 2007). Will apply to New York University for a Master's in forensic psychology.

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

##### New Faculty in Women's Studies 2006-2007

###### Beverly Yuen Thompson, Ph.D.



Beverly Thompson, Ph.D. joined Women's Studies as Postdoctoral Fellow for 2006-2007. She obtained her Ph.D. in Sociology from New School University, New York City, NY. She taught Introduction to Women's Studies, and developed a new course, Social Movements, Gender, Justice, that was offered for the first time in Spring 2007.

During her first year at FIU, Dr. Thompson produced a documentary video, A CHOICE FOR WOMEN, based on her involvement in the Miami Clinic Access Project. The project represents a group that has been tirelessly working to protect women's right to reproductive choice in Miami. Many community feminists as well as number of FIU WS students, faculty, and Board members participated in the Clinic defense to ensure that women are able to exercise their right to legal abortion without harassment from anti-choice blockades of the Choice for Women Clinic. Defenders show up beginning at 5am every Saturday and stay until 11am or noon to protect women's right to choose by keeping access to the clinic open for women who have appointments that day. This excellent documentary, featuring (among others) some of our Women's Studies students, can be previewed at Dr. Thompson's website: [snakegirl.net](http://snakegirl.net).

##### In Memoriam

###### Margaret (Peggy) Wilson, Ph.D.

Women's Studies lost a wonderful colleague and friend with the death of Dr. Margaret (Peggy) Wilson on Wednesday, November 8, 2006, following a brave battle with bladder cancer.

Peggy was a champion of the rights of workers, women, and the underprivileged. She was a member of the faculty at Florida International University's Center for Labor Research and Studies since 1978 and served as the Center's associate director, overseeing the undergraduate program and developing a graduate certificate in conflict resolution. Her research areas included the history of women and work and she was the author of two books: *The American Woman in Transition* and *Floridians At Work*.



Peggy was a clear and consistent voice for social justice and equal opportunity for all. She was a dedicated member of the FIU Women's Studies Center faculty board and also an advocate for the Women's Fund of Miami Dade County. She was survived by her beloved husband David and cherished daughter Mariah. She is deeply missed.

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

##### FIU Women's Studies Faculty Book Club

Marilyn Hoder-Salmon, Coordinator

The Women's Studies faculty book club participants are all FIU women faculty who enjoy reading women's literature and discussing it with colleagues. The Book Club has met once a month during the academic year since its founding in 1991. The Book Club is open to FIU women faculty and professional staff. For information about book selections, go to [www.books.fiu.edu](http://www.books.fiu.edu).

##### Members

Lynne Barrett	Aurora Morcillo	Judith H. Stiehm
Maneck Daruwala	Mayra Nemeth	Tatiana Kostadinova
Joyce Elam	Joyce Peterson	Susan Wartzok
Lindsay Ham	Susan Schneider	Nancy S. Wellman
Peggy Maisel	Suzanna Rose	

##### Readings for 2006-2007

##### *Women Nobel Prize Winners For Literature*

Selma Lagerlof (Sweden, 1909)

Grazia Deledda (Italy, 1926)

Sigrid Undset (Norway, 1928)

Nadine Gordimer (South Africa, 1991)

Elfriede Jelinek (Austria, 2004)



*Champions for Peace:  
Women Winners of The Nobel  
Peace Prize*  
by Judith Stiehm

*Intuition*  
by Allegra Goodman

*March*  
by Geraldine Brooks

*Special Topics In Calamity Physics*  
by Marisha Pessl

Any work by Carson McCullers

*Sisters: The Lives of America's  
Suffragists*  
by Jean H. Baker

Women Nobel Laureates In Poetry

##### FIU Women's Studies Faculty Writing Group

The writing group was launched in 2004-2005 by Prof. Aurora Morcillo. Faculty affiliated with FIU Women's Studies are invited to join. The group meets once a month and discusses one of the participant's writings/works in progress. The purpose is to motivate scholarship and publication among women's studies faculty, provide mentorship and support for junior faculty, and encourage exciting intellectual exchange.

Lynn Barrett	Veronique Helenon	Dionne Stephens
Pascale Becel	Aurora Morcillo	Chantalle Verna
Asuncion Gomez	Laura Nenzi	

#### **IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED**

##### **Women's Studies Core Faculty & Staff**

Suzanna Rose, Director, Women's Studies & Chairperson, Psychology  
Aurora Morcillo, Associate Director  
Beverly Thompson, Postdoctoral Fellow  
Wilhelmina Dagdag, Administrative Assistant  
Marianna Carlucci, Graduate Assistant  
Melissa Miller, Work Study Student  
Tiffany Yeomans, Work Study Student

##### **Women's Studies Faculty Board Members**

Addy, Dawn, Director, Labor Research/Studies  
Alonso, Irma, Professor, Economics  
Becel, Pascale, Chairperson & Associate Professor, Modern Languages  
Bidegain, Ana Maria, Associate Professor, Religious Studies  
Elam, Joyce, Dean, School of Business Administration  
Friedman, Rebecca, Associate Professor, History/Humanities  
Gomez, Maria (Asun), Associate Prof., Modern Languages  
Grossman, Divina, Dean, Nursing  
Gudorf, Christine, Professor and Chair, Religious Studies  
Hoder-Salmon, Marilyn, Associate Professor, English  
Koptur, Suzanne, Professor, Biological Sciences  
Kriegel, Lara, Assistant Professor, History  
McCormack, Kathleen, Professor, English  
Morcillo, Aurora, Associate Professor, Women's Studies & History  
Peterson, Joyce, Associate Dean, Arts and Sciences, BBC  
Prügl, Elisabeth, Associate Professor, International Relations  
Roca, Ana, Professor, Modern Languages  
Rochelson, Meri-Jane, Associate Professor, English, BBC  
Rose, Suzanna, Director, Women's Studies; Professor & Chair, Psychology  
Salokar, Rebecca, Associate Professor, Political Science  
Stephens, Dionne, Lecturer/Associate Chair, Psychology  
Stiehm, Judith, Professor, Political Science  
Thompson, Beverly, Postdoctoral Fellow, Women's Studies  
Van Den Bergh, Nan, Associate Professor, Social Work  
Weeks, Ophelia, Associate Professor, Biological Sciences  
Wood, Kirsten, Associate Professor, History

##### **Additional Women's Studies Affiliated Faculty**

Andrade, Heather, Assistant Professor, English  
Apodaca, Clair, Assistant Professor, International Relations  
Aysa-Lastra, Maria, Assistant Professor, Sociology/Anthropology  
Barrett, Lynne M, Professor, Creative Writing Program, English  
Beer, Michelle, Associate Professor, Philosophy  
Boyce Davies, Carole, Program Director, African-New World Studies  
Burns, Kristine, Associate Professor, Music  
Butchey, Deanne, Instructor, School of Business  
Damian, Carole, Professor, Art & Art History  
Fernandez, Nadine, Assistant Professor, Sociology/Anthropology  
Gabilondo, Jose, Associate Professor, Law

**IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED**

**Women's Studies Affiliated Faculty (continued)**

Harrison, Kimberly, Associate Professor, English  
Hudson, Vanessa, Visiting Assistant Prof, Geography/IR  
Hughes, Heather, Assistant Professor, Law  
Jervis, Kathy, Assistant Professor, Accounting  
Johnsen, Valerie, Director of Student Enrichment, Honors College  
Karsh, Ellen, Instructor, Speech Communication  
Lavender, Abe, Professor, Sociology/Anthropology  
Lifshitz, Felice, Professor, History  
Luszczynska, Ana, Assistant Professor, English  
Mahler, Sarah, Director, Transnational and Comparative Studies Center  
Maisel, Peggy, Associate Professor, Law  
Martin, Kathleen, Associate Professor, Sociology/Anthropology  
Mishra, Anjana, Adjunct Professor, International Relations  
Musa, Aisha, Assistant Professor, Religious Studies  
Nenzi, Laura, Assistant Professor, History  
Onorato, Suzanne, Associate Director, Women's Center  
Osborne, Bennie, Director, Equal Opportunity Program; Professor, Management  
Patrouch, Joseph, Associate Professor, History  
Patterson, Valerie, Associate Professor, Public Administration  
Pearson, Linnea, Adjunct Instructor, Religious Studies  
Pfeiffer, Mary Lou, Adjunct Instructor, Honors College  
Poggione, Sarah, Assistant Professor, Political Science  
Price, Patricia, Associate Professor, International Relations  
Shearn, Regina, Associate Professor, Criminal Justice (retired)  
Sordo, Emma, History  
Sprechman, Ellen, Lecturer, English  
Thomas, Tami, Assistant Professor, Nursing  
Torres-Pou, Juan, Associate Professor, Modern Languages  
Sutton, James, Associate Professor, English  
Vega, Gisela, Assistant Director, Residential Life  
Walker, Charlyne, Dean's Office  
Weitz, Barbara, Instructor, English  
West, Lois, Associate Professor, Sociology/Anthropology  
Weir-Soley, Donna, Assistant Professor, English  
Zorn, Jean, Professor, Law

**Adjunct Affiliated Faculty**

Campbell, Marlene Maria, Criminal Justice  
Curry, Ginette, English  
Freeman, Monica, English  
Heyman, Sally Anne, Criminal Justice  
Kai, Tara, English & Women's Studies  
Kleban, Jack, Management  
Mishra, Anjana, International Relations  
Mizrach, Steven, Sociology/Anthropology  
Powell, Nancy, Management  
Rowan, Kelley, Religious Studies  
Schear, Kimberlee, Psychology  
Telan, Paige, Psychology

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

##### Books (In Press)

**Harrison, Kimberly.** (2006). *Victorian sensations: Essays on a scandalous genre*. Edited with R. Fantina. The Ohio State University Press.

**Lifshitz, Felice.** (In press). *Professing gender and Christianity in medieval Europe*. Edited with L. Bitel. University of Pennsylvania Press.

**Rochelson, Meri-Jane.** (2008). *A Jew in the public arena: The career of Israel Zangwill*. Wayne State University Press.

##### Book Chapters (In Press)

**Aysa-Lastra, Maria** (in press). La emigración contemporánea de colombianos al exterior y su impacto en las áreas de origen y destino, in A.M. Bidegain & L.E. Guanizo (Eds.), *Colombia transnacional*.

**Aysa-Lastra, Maria,** (in press). Perfil sociodemográfico de la población de origen Colombiano que residía en los Estados Unidos en el año 2000. In *Sistematización general y estado del arte: Migración Colombiana contemporánea*. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia and IOM.

**Morcillo, Aurora.** (in press). Co-authored (with Suzanna Rose), Gender and Women's Studies across cultures: Internationalizing Women's Studies at Florida International University, for a forthcoming book on Women's Studies Programs.

**Roca, Ana.** (in press). *Intermediate level Spanish as a heritage language: Issues in developing literacy*. Professional Development Materials.

**Roca, Ana.** (in press). Linguistic and cultural identity: university students in Spanish for Heritage Learners in Miami in M Murcia and J. Rothman (Eds.), *Bilingualism and Linguistic Identity*. Vanderbilt University Press.

**Roca, Ana.** (In Press). The abuelos project: A multidisciplinary, multitask unit for heritage and advanced secondary learners of Spanish. *Contextos Multiculturales*.

**Rose, Suzanna. M.** (in press). Co-authored (with Aurora Morcillo), Gender and Women's Studies across cultures: Internationalizing Women's Studies at Florida International University, for a forthcoming book on Women's Studies Programs.

**Thompson, Beverly.** (in press). The Price of 'Community': From a Bisexual/Biracial Perspective, in Wall & Washington (Eds.), In the *Colors of the rainbow: Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people of color in the academy*. American College Personnel Association.

**Wood, Kirsten.** (in press). Braided Relations, Entwined Lives: The Women of Charleston's Urban Slave Society by Cynthia M. Kennedy, *Journal of Southern History*.

##### Book Publications (Published)

**Curry, Ginette.** (2007). *"Toubab la!" Literary representations of mixed-race characters in the African diaspora*. London: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

**Martin, Kathleen Rock.** (2007). *Discarded pages: Araceli Cab Cumi, MayaPoet and Politician*. University of New Mexico Press.

**Stiehm, Judith.** (2007). *Champions for peace: Women winners of the Nobel Peace Prize*. Rowman and Littlefield Publishing.

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

##### Book Chapters (Published) continued

- Barrett, Lynne.** (2006). Entrances: Building bigger scenes. In S. Ellis (Ed.), *Now Write!* (pp. 230-232). Tarcher Books.
- Damian, Carol.** (2006). The virgin of the Andes: Inka Queen and Christian Goddess. In K. McIntyre and R. Phillips (Eds.), *Woman and Art in Early Modern Latin America* (pp. 73-98). Leiden-Boston: Brill Publishing.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2007). Violence against women: Theories and perspectives. In D. Maguire (Ed.), *World Religions on Violence Against Women*. Pilgrim Press.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2006). A new moral discourse on sexuality. In H. Horrell (Ed.), *Human Sexuality: Moral Perspectives*. Sheed and Ward.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2007). Body, gender and self-identity formation: Religious reflections on the current evidence. In A. Brazal (Ed.), *Feminist Catholic Theology in Asia*. Universitas de Manila.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** (2007). Tiempos modernos. Feminismo y lucha política durante la II República y la Guerra Civil. In P. Folguera (Ed.), *Historia del Feminismo en España*.
- Prugl, Elisabeth.** (2007). Gender and EU politics. In M. Pollack & B. Rosamond (Eds.), *The Handbook of European Union Politics*. Sage Publications.
- Rose, Suzanna M.** (2007). Enjoying the returns: Women's friendships after 50. In V. Muhlbauer & J. Chrisler (Eds.), *Women Over 50: Psychological Perspectives* (pp. 112-130). New York: Springer.

##### Journal Publications

- Gabilondo, Jose.** (2007). Irrational exuberance about babies: Demand for children, conspicuous reproduction, and the taste for heterosexuality. *Boston College Third World Law Journal*.
- Gabilongo, Jose.** (2006). Asking the straight question: How to come to speech in spite of conceptual liquidation as a homosexual. *Wisconsin Women's Law Journal*, 1-43.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** (2007). Walls of flesh: Spanish post-war reconstruction and public morality. *Bulletin of Hispanic Studies*, 30.
- Harrison, Kimberly.** Political persuasion in Mary Braddon's *The Octoroon*; or *The Lily of Louisiana*. In *Victorian Sensations*.
- Harrison, Kimberly, & Fantina, R.** Introduction: Defining the scope of the sensation genre. In *Victorian Sensations*.
- Rochelson, Meri-Jane.** (2007). Edith Ayrton Zangwill and the anti-domestic novel. *Women's Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 36, 161-183.
- Thompson, Beverly.** (2007). The global justice movement's use of jail solidarity as a response to police repression and arrest: An ethnographic study. *Qualitative Inquiry*, 13 (1), 141-159.
- Quadros, A., **Weeks, Ophelia I., & Ghania, A.** (2007). Role of Tau in Alzheimer's Dementia and other neurodegenerative diseases. *Journal of Applied Biomedicine*, 5, 1-12.

**V. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED**

**Journal Publications (continued)**

**Wood, Kirsten.** (2007). Taverns and Boarding Houses: The Public Nature of Southern Family Life. *Old South*. University Press of Florida.

**Curatorial**

**Damian, Carol.** (2007). Co-curator, "Intersections: Art and Nature." Art Miami.

**Stories/Essays**

**Barrett, Lynne.** The Noir Boudoir. *Miami Noir*. Akashic Books, 2006 pp.270-310.

**Barrett, Lynne.** Blue Vandas. *A Hell of a Woman*. Busted Flush Press, 2007.

**Barrett, Lynne.** Little Red Returns. *One Year to a Writing Life*. Susan Tiberghian, Marlowe & Co., 2007.

**Damian, Carol.** Mi Ami Miami? *Milan/Miami in Milan Exhibition*.

**Damian, Carol.** Paradise Lost, *Unbroken Ties: Dialogues in Cuban Art*.

**Book Reviews & Other Publications**

**Curry, Ginette.** Maryse Condé et Ahmadou Kourouma: Griots de l'indicible. *African Studies Review* (pp. 124-125).

**Curry, Ginette.** (2007). African literature. In *Greenwood Encyclopedia of World Popular Cultures: Sub-Saharan Africa* (pp. 151-173). Greenwood Publishing Group.

**Curry, Ginette.** Barbara Chase Riboud (1939- ), *The Greenwood Encyclopedia of African American Women Writers*. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood Press, Volume 2, pp. 76, 2007.

**Damian, Carol.** Sara Modiano. *Arte al dia internacional*. Argentina, No. 118.

**Gudorf, Chris.** *Blessing Same-Sex Union* by Mark Jordan. *Journal of Law and Religion*.

**Lifshitz, Felice.** Krone und Schleier. *Kunst aus Mittelalterlichen Frauenklöstern*, Gerchow et. al. (Eds.)

**McCormack, Kathleen.** William and Lucy: The other Rossetts by Angela Thirwell, *Victorians Institute Journal*, 34 (pp. 274-275).

**Morcillo, Aurora.** Memory and amnesia of the Spanish Civil War. The role of the Spanish Civil War in the transition to Democracy by Paloma Aguilar. Oxford, New York: Berghahn Books.

**Morcillo, Aurora.** Gender history in Spain and Portugal in the *Oxford Encyclopedia of Women in World History*.

**Morcillo, Aurora.** Falange in the *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern World*.

**Prugl, Elisabeth.** Doing Feminist IR: A Guide. *International Studies Review*.

**Prugl, E.** Forgotten Families. *Work and Occupation*, 34.

**Prugl, Elisabeth.** Conflict, and Peacekeeping. *Politics & Gender*, 2.



#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

**Rose, Suzanna M.** (2007). LGBTQ psychologies go to work. In V. Clarke & E. Peel (Eds.), *Out in Psychology: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Queer Perspectives* (pp. 224-246). London: Wiley.

**Roca, Ana.** Rosa Castro-Fineberg in J. Gonzalez (Ed.) the *Encyclopedia of Bilingual Education in the United States*.

**Roca, Ana.** Alma Flor Ada in J. Gonzalez (Ed.) the *Encyclopedia of Bilingual Education in the United States*.

**Wood, Kirsten.** The Sugar Masters: Planters and Slaves in Louisiana's cane World, 1820-1860 by Richard Follett, *Slavery and Abolition* (pp. 401-403).

#### Recognition

**Alonso, Irma T.** Received an Exemplary Design Award for her fully online course: Women, Culture and Economic Development.

**Gabilondo, Jose.** Promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor for the School of Law, FIU.

**Harrison, Kimberly.** Founders Award, sponsored by the Museum of the Confederacy for her book, *A Maryland Bride in the Deep South*.

**McCormack, Kathleen.** Scholarship from School of Criticism and Theory, Cornell University.

**Rochelson, Meri-Jane.** Promoted to Professor of English.

**Rose, Suzanna M.** Elected treasurer (2007-2010), Society for the Psychology of Women (Div. 35), APA.

**Stiehm, Judith.** Received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Wisconsin-Madison on May 5, 2006. Also gave an invited address to the Univ. Wisconsin Alumni Association concerning her forthcoming book, *Champions for Peace: Women Winners of the Nobel Peace Prize*.

**Van Den Bergh, Nan.** Received a Teaching Excellence Award from FIU. Selected as a Consumer Advocate for National Cancer Institute Survivorship Conference.

#### Funding/Grants

**Alonso, Irma T.** Travel Grant Award from the FIU Academy for the Art of Teaching.

**Roca, Ana.** Intramural Grant from FIU Cuban Research Institute. \$1,000

**Rose, Suzanna.** (PI) Parents as Teachers Program. Funded by The Children's Trust, Miami, 5/06-7/07, \$330,000.

**Lifshitz, Felice.** Awarded research Fellowship at the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin.

**Van Den Bergh, Nan.** (Co-Investigator). Susan G. Komen Miami/Ft. Lauderdale Affiliation. \$25,000. Dade Community Foundation, \$4,200. Florida Breast Cancer Coalition, \$7,500. Women's Cancer Association, \$6,200.

**Weeks, Ophelia I.** (Co-Investigator). The Mathematics & Biological Sciences Scholarships Program at FIU. Funded by National Science Foundation. \$500,000.

**Weeks, Ophelia I.** Quantifying Biology in the Classroom. Funded by FIU Provost's Office. \$822,292.

**Wood, Kirsten.** Awarded a Faculty Research Award from the Provost's Office.

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

##### Conference Papers

- Aysa-Lastra, Maria.** (2006, October). Remitters, beneficiaries and changing gender roles: The case of contemporary Colombian migration from the coffee region. Second International Colloquium of Migration and Development. Cocoyoc, Mexico.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2007, April). Editors on editing. Gulf Coast Association of Creative Writing Teachers Annual Conference, University of South Alabama, Fairhope, Alabama.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2006, October). Mapping your story: Plot, movement, territory, Sanibel Writers Conference, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, Florida.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2006, June). Plot, the heart of the story. International Women's Writing Guild Conference. Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, New York.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2006, October). The revision process. Key West Writers Conference, Key West, Florida.
- Curry, Ginette.** (2006, October). A study in perspective: African women, tradition and change in Cheikh Hamidou Kane's *Ambiguous Adventure* (1962) and Mariama Ba's *So Long a Letter* (1980). Conference celebrating the Works of Senegalese Writer Cheikh Hamidou Kane. African American Studies Program, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey.
- Gabilondo, Jose.** (2006, November). Of fertile workers and liquid sovereigns, and worker remittances. Politics of Decency, University of Jyväskylä, Finland.
- Gabilondo, Jose.** (2006, November). Asking the straight question: Challenging straight supremacy. DePaul University School of Law, Solomon Amendment Amelioration Series, Chicago, Illinois.
- Gabilondo, Jose.** (2006, June). Heteronormativity in legal education. Up Against the Nation-States of Feminist Legal Theory Conference, Center on Law, Sexuality, and Gender, University of Kent, Canterbury, England.
- Gabilondo, Jose.** (2006, June). Heteronormativity: An ethnographic account of heterosexuality in the law. Hetero Factory Conference, University of Norway, Norway.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2007, February). Are women more compassionate? Feeling is not doing. Yale Divinity School, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2007, February). The genderedness of empathy: Implications for ethics. Pacific Section, Society of Christian Ethics. Santa Clara University, California.
- Gudorf, Chris.** (2007, April). Sacramentality for intersex and transgendered persons. New Ways Ministry Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Harrison, Kimberly.** (2006, May). Harlots, hags, or helpless victims? Southern Women's Rhetorical Challenges During the American Civil War. Rhetoric Society of America Conference. Memphis, Tennessee.
- Lifshitz, Felice.** (2007, April). Veiling, concubinage and footbinding: Some classroom dilemmas of a feminist medievalist. The College of New Jersey, New Jersey.
- Lifshitz, Felice.** (2007, May). Does it help women in Afghanistan? International Congress on Medieval Studies, University of Western Michigan, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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##### Conference Presentations (continued)

- Lifshitz, Felice.** (2007, February). Bonifacius ac Scii/-ae Eius: Intellectual culture in the Anglo-Saxon missionary area in Germany. Mid-America Medieval Academy, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Kansas.
- Martin, Kathleen.** (2007). A gendered agenda: A Maya woman as political leader. Florida Consortium for Gender and Women's Studies. University of South Florida.
- Martin, Kathleen.** (2006). A Yucatec Maya woman political leader as a Gramscian 'organic intellectual'. American Anthropological Association.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** (2006, October). Strangers in the dark movie theater. Coloquio Internacional AEIHM, Barcelona, Spain.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** (2006, March). Body politics and Spanish transition to democracy. Sixth European Social Science History Conference, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** (2006, January). The Spanish mystic body politic under Franco's regime. The 4th Annual Hawaii International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Hawaii.
- Prugl, Elisabeth.** (2007, February). Gender and the institutions of global markets: An exploration of the agricultural sector. International Studies Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois.
- Prugl, Elisabeth.** (2007, May). The EU as a gendered state: Applying feminist state theory to rural development. EUSA Tenth Biennial International Conference, Montreal, Canada.
- Roca, Ana.** (2006, June). Proyecto abuelas: An oral history project for teaching Spanish as a Heritage Language. American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese Conference, Salamanca, Spain.
- Stiehm, Judith.** (2007). Hannah Durston: Heroine or villain? International Studies Association Conference.
- Van Den Bergh, Nan.** (2006, October). Culturally competent practice with women who partner with women: Social justice imperative. Association of Baccalaureate Program Director's Meeting, Los Angeles, California.
- Van Den Bergh, Nan.** (2006, June). Spirituality resources for LGBT Clients. NASW Florida Chapter Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
- Weeks, Ophelia I.** (2006, July). Promoting community ownership and women's participation in science and technology education. Africando Hemispheric Summit on Science, Technology and Research for Africa's Development, Miami, Florida.

##### Invited Addresses

- Aysa-Lastra, Maria.** (2006). Determinants of international migration from and to the Mexican southern border: A Case Study of the Municipalities of Balancan and Tenosique. Forum organized by Governor of Tabasco, Mexico.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2007). Reading from *Miami Noir*. Books and Books, Coral Gables, Florida.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2006). Reading from *Miami Noir*. Borders, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
- Barrett, Lynne.** (2007). Radio interview WLRN "Topical Currents".

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

##### Invited Addresses (continued)

- Harrison, Kimberly.** Reflective writing across the curriculum. Academy for the Art of Teaching, Florida International University.
- Harrison, Kimberly.** Reading, from *A Maryland Bride in the Deep South*. Books and Books, Coral Gables, FL., as part of FIU Women's Studies Women of Distinction Series.
- Lifshitz, Felice.** Gendered transmissions: Heterosociability and Christian culture in the early middle ages. Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland.
- Martin, Kathleen.** A Maya poet and politician. Depts. of Foreign Languages, Anthropology and Global Studies at San Jose State University, California.
- Prugl, Elisabeth.** Gender mainstreaming. University of Bremen Center for European Union Studies, Germany.
- Roca, Ana.** Educational policies and practices affecting Spanish in the US. Conference on Spanish in the United States, Miami, Florida.
- Roca, Ana.** Raising a bilingual child in Miami: Reflections on language and culture. University of California: Davis.
- Roca, Ana.** Instruction of Spanish as a Heritage Language in the United States. University of California: Davis.
- Rose, Suzanna.** (2006), Keynote speaker for Women in Engineering, University of Virginia & Virginia Commonwealth University.
- Rose, Suzanna.** (2006). Keynote speaker for Women's Leadership Institute for Women Faculty in Pennsylvania Higher Education System.
- Rose, Suzanna.** (2006). Keynote speaker for University of Michigan, National Science Foundation. ADVANCE Grant Program.
- Valdez, J. J. & **Weeks, Ophelia I.** (2006). From behavior to molecules: Preliminary observations of Lithium's effect on learning, memory and neuroprotection. MBRS Symposium.

##### Editorial Boards

- Barrett, Lynne.** Editor, [The Florida Book Review](#)
- Harrison, Kimberly.** Editorial Board, [Florida English Journal](#).
- Lifshitz, Felice.** Editorial Board, [Medieval Feminist Forum](#).
- Morcillo, Aurora.** Editorial Board, [International Journal for Women and Gender Research](#).
- Prugl, Elisabeth.** Editorial Board, [Politics and Gender](#).
- Rose, Suzanna M.** Editorial Board, [Sex Roles](#).

##### Films

- Thompson, Beverly.** (2007). *Defending a Choice for Women*. Distributed by Nomadsland.com and AK Press. Reviewed by Ms. Magazine.

#### IV. WOMEN'S STUDIES FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS CONTINUED

##### National Service

- Curry, Ginette.** Peer reviewer, for *African Studies Review* and *Caribbean Studies Review*. Affiliated faculty member of the Initiative on Race, Gender and Globalization (IRGG) at Yale University.
- Damian, Carol.** Advisory board member of Agustin Fernandez Foundation. Consultant for Scholars Resources for Latin American Art.
- Gudorf, Chris.** Elected president (2007) of the Society of Christian Ethics. Chair of Committee on Family-Friendly Policies in Universities and Colleges for the Society of Christian Ethics.
- Koptur, Suzanne.** Panelist for the American Association of University Women American Fellowships.
- Lifshitz, Felice.** Member of Program Committee of American Historical Association.
- Morcillo, Aurora.** Conference Organizer, Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies 38<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference
- Roca, Ana.** Reviewer for *Foreign Language Annals*. Reviewer for 21<sup>st</sup> Conference on Spanish in the United States and 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Spanish in Contact with Other Languages.
- Rochelson, Meri-Jane.** President of Nineteenth Century Studies Association. Book review discussion facilitator: *Days of Awe*, by Achy Obejas.
- Rose, Suzanna M.** American Psychological Association grant review panel member. Webmaster for Association for Women in Psychology. Elected treasurer (2007 -2008) of the Society for the psychology of Women (Div. 35), APA.
- Weeks, Ophelia I.** Member of Board of advisors for the Liberian Student Association in America.
- Wood, Kirsten.** Interviewed about women in 19<sup>th</sup> century America for a PBS documentary on Andrew Jackson.

##### Community Service

- Damian, Carol.** Appointed by mayor to Coral Gables Cultural Development Board. Member of the Art Center South Florida Board of Directors. Member of the Miami Art Museum Educational Advisory Committee.
- Roca, Ana.** Newspaper interview for *El Nuevo Herald* on Abuelos Project.
- Rose, Suzanna M.** Served as Vice President of the Women's History Coalition of Miami Dade. Participated as a member of the Miami-Dade Women's Chamber of Commerce and the Miami Women's Fund.
- West, Lois.** Panelist on Channel 2 in April of 2007.

