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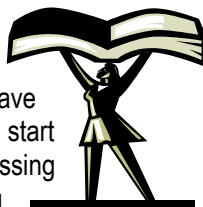
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ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Last year several A&S faculty piloted the use of Turnitin.com (a service which helps spot plagiarized papers) with excellent results. Starting immediately, all A&S faculty, full-time and part-time, will have access to Turnitin.com. Faculty may start using Turnitin.com by accessing <http://www.Turnitin.com/login.asp>. You will receive the account ID and account joint password in an e-mail.



Detailed instructions on how to use this service can be found at <http://Turnitin.com/manual.html>. Quick start and step-by-step presentations are also available for download at <http://www.Turnitin.com/tutorial.html>.

If you need help in getting started, or have questions about how to use the program, please contact our in-house expert, Jeff Cain, Director of Communications Across the Curriculum.

GRANT AWARDED:

Dr. Shannon Brightman, Associate Professor of Biology has been awarded a grant from the National Institutes of Health in the amount of \$129,586 to support her investigation of the genetic basis of stress tolerance in the soil amoebae, *Dictyostelium discoideum*. The three-year award period begins March 1, 2003.

Lectora Software

Dr. Robert McCloud, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, and **Dr. Anne Barker**, Associate Professor of Nursing, have, through a combination of grant monies across colleges, arranged for a perpetual license for full-time and adjunct faculty as well as students for Lectora software. Lectora provides a user-friendly capability for our faculty to author online course content. Further, it is directly compatible with Blackboard and has the capability of developing e-portfolios.

PUBLIC HEARING ON BANKING

The Political Science Program in conjunction with the Office of Public Relations is sponsoring a public hearing on state banking issues on Wed. March 12, at 7:30 p.m... in the Schine Auditorium. State Senator Bill Finch, a member of the state banking committee in the Connecticut General Assembly, will preside over the hearing. Other members of the banking committee will also be present. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about critical issues involving the banking industry, and to personally communicate with state representatives and state senators.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES DISCUSSION

The Department of Religious Studies is sponsoring an open discussion with Shaykh Abdul Haqq to offer his reflections on the essence of Islam, particularly its Sufi Mystical tradition on Thursday, March 13, at 6:30-8:00 p.m. in University Commons.

FACULTY RECITAL SERIES

Featuring **Cassandra Andreas**, soprano, **Allen Reed**, piano and **Dr. Ed Malin** as Narrator in "A Night in Vienna" on Saturday, March 15, at 7:30 pm in the Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts Theater.

HISTORY LECTURE

The History and Political Science department sponsored in part a talk given by Father Roy Bourgeois, "Guns, Greed, and Globalization" in University Commons.

Faculty Development

Prof. Sandra Honda Adams, Associate Professor, and **Prof. Domenick Pinto**, Associate Professor of Computer Science and Information Technology, co-presented a workshop on FLASH MX at the annual SIGCSE conference (Computer Science Education) conference in Reno, Nevada. **Dr. Robert McCloud**, Assistant Professor and **Prof. Keri Matthews**, Instructor, also attended the conference.



Dr. Kevin Blount, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, presented a paper "Modules over Residuated Lattices" at the Conference on Ordered Algebraic Structures in Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Rachel E. Bowman, Assistant Professor of Psychology published with Kevin D. Beck and Victoria N. Luine the article titled "Chronic Stress Effects on Memory: Sex Differences in Performance and Monoaminergic Activity" in a special Stress issue of Hormones and Behavior 43 (2003), pp 48-59.



Dr. Walter Brooks, Associate Professor of Religious Studies, attended the American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature in Toronto, Canada.

Dr. James Castonguay, Assistant Professor of Media Studies, attended the Society for Cinema and Media Studies (SCMS) and chaired the SCMS Media Literacy and Outreach Committee in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dr. June-Ann Greeley, Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, gave an informative talk entitled "We are Sent to Give Them the Light of Truth: African-American Women and Religion in the 19th Century" in the Ryan-Matura Library.

Dr. Pearl Jacobs, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice, made a presentation at the American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences in Las Vegas, Nevada, titled "Gearing Women Towards a Successful Career in Business and Governmental Organizations: The Mentoring Process." She also participated in a discussion entitled "Increasing the Versatility of a Criminal Justice Career through Additional and More Varied Practical Application of Theory" at the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences in Boston, Massachusetts.



Dr. Claire Marrone, Associate Professor of Modern Foreign Languages presented a paper entitled "Displacement, Identity, and Writing in Nancy Huston, Marie-Claire Blais, and Marie Cardinal" at the Northeast Modern Language Association Conference in Boston, Massachusetts.

Dr. John Michniewicz and **Dr. Joe Utterback**, adjunct faculty in Music, and David Harris performed at the United Congregational Church. The performance included works for piano and organ.

Prof. Chris Mooney, an adjunct voice instructor, recently performed at the Kennedy Space Center.

Prof. Domenick Pinto has also recently attended training sessions on Flash MX and VB.NET at New Horizons in Trumbull.



Dr. Marlina Slamet, Assistant Professor of Physics, presented a talk at the Meeting of American Physical Society entitled: "Quantal Density Functional Theory of Excited States: The Arbitrary Nature of the Reference S-system of Non-interacting Fermions" in Austin, Texas.

Dr. Louise Spence, Associate Professor of Media Studies, presented and chaired a workshop, "Teaching 9/11" at the Society for Cinema and Media Studies in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

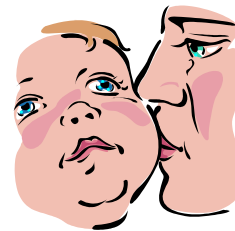
Prof. Jonathan Walker, Instructor of Art and Graphic Design, presented "The Art and Craft of Set Design" in the Gallery of Contemporary Art at Sacred Heart University.

Prof. Daniel Wilkinson, Affiliate Instructor of Art and Graphic Design attended the College Art Association, 91st Annual Conference in New York City, New York.

New Arrivals!

PLEASE WELCOME THE LATEST ADDITIONS
TO JOIN OUR A&S FAMILY:

Congratulations to **Dr. Linda Farber** on the birth of daughter, Samantha and to **Dr. Penny Snetsinger** on the arrival of daughter Robin Ting Ting and also to **Jacques and Sherry Veilleux** on the birth of their son, Forrest.



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Happy St. Patrick's Day!