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Greetings!

We would like to welcome you back to a new semester with Children's Studies! We aim to keep our students, faculty, colleagues, and everyone with an interest in children's rights updated on the news and events going on in our Program and Center.

We keep [our website](#) up-to-date and recommend that you check it often. We have also created a new [Photo Gallery](#) for our website! You will find pictures from events, forums, commencement celebrations, and more featuring our Children's Studies faculty, staff, guest, students and others.

The Children's Studies Program continues to encourage our students to seek advisement throughout the completion of their Major, Concentration, or Minor in Children's Studies to make sure you are on the right path to a successful completion of your program in a timely fashion. Students are welcome to come into the office located at 3602 James Hall. To schedule an advisement appointment please call us at 718-951-3192, or e-mail eliseg@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

Spring 2011 Faculty

With the beginning of the Spring 2011 semester comes the introduction of our new adjunct faculty member, Mike Jolley, Ph.D. Candidate. Professor Jolley will be teaching the *Perspectives on Childhood* (CHST 2100W) course on Saturdays from 9AM-11:45AM.

Our full-time faculty members, Katherine Hejtmanek, Ph.D., Assistant Professor and Jeremy Porter, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, will be teaching several Children's Studies courses in the Spring 2011 semester.

Joseph Grochowalski, M.S. and M.A., and Senior Research Associate, Children's Studies Center, will be Acting Director of the Children's Studies Program for the Spring 2011

semester as Professor Gertrud Lenzer, Director of Children's Studies, is on sabbatical. Professor Grochowalski will also be returning as a full-time Instructor.

We are also welcoming back our returning adjuncts Melba Butler, LCSW; Louise Moreira Daniels, M.A.; Ellen Fried, J.D., Esq.; Elise Goldberg, M.S.Ed.; Irma Kramer, M.A.; Carla Lewis-Irizarry, M.P.A.; Anthoula Poulakos, M.A., Nira Reiss, Ph.D., and Charisa Kiyó Smith, J.D., Esq.

Summer 2011 Schedule

The [Summer 2011 Schedule of Children's Studies](#) courses is now available! We have attached the pdf for students in the Children's Studies program!

****Please note that Children's Studies courses will only be offered in Summer Session 1. However, because Children's Studies is an interdisciplinary program other departments may choose to offer courses that count toward the CS Major, Concentration, or Minor. Please review the Official Summer Schedule when it is released (TBA) from Brooklyn College to determine what courses other departments will be offering.**

Summer Internships

Although Children's Studies does not run our *Career Exploration Internship Course* (CHST 4100) during the Summer Sessions, we encourage our students to take advantage of the opportunities available during this time. Many organizations offer summer intern positions and students who either aren't working or have flexible schedules during the summer should gain the experience an internship can offer you. Students can find internships on their own, or they can come into the Children's Studies office (3602 James Hall) for help.

Student Spotlight- Cynthia Tsang

Cynthia Tsang was one of the first 15 students to graduate with a Bachelors of Arts in Children's Studies in Spring 2010 from Brooklyn College!

Cynthia participated in the *Career Exploration Internship* (CSHT 4100) while completing her Children's Studies major. Upon graduating from Brooklyn College she has gone on to continue her education at Columbia School of Social Work. In a recent letter to the Children's Studies Program Cynthia cites that her internship experience led her to pursue a career in Social Work:

I wanted to thank the Children Studies Department again. My internship with a Judge introduced me to social work and because of that I applied to Columbia School of Social Work (SSW). Social work and the law are merging and it is really important more people go into law and social work.

The foundation the CS curriculum gave me really makes SSW understandable and fun. It feels like many of the different classes I took fit in with a lot of the first year required courses at SSW. The reading requirement is intense but I actually didn't have to read as much because I read most of it at one point or another in CS courses.

My first semester at Columbia School of Social Work was fantastic. My field placement is at Hamilton Madison House. I'm learning a lot there and I am looking forward to the beginning of the Spring term. I found out recently I have been accepted into the Law minor, so next year I will be taking courses at the Law School.



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