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The name of our program has officially changed to

Children and Youth Studies!

We are also celebrating our 20th Anniversary this year. Children and Youth Studies is a unique program which was founded at Brooklyn College by Professor Gertrud Lenzner and colleagues from different departments. Hailed as "pioneering" by the *New York Times*, the Children and Youth Studies program at Brooklyn College has been emulated at many universities and colleges both in the United States and abroad since its inception.

Jobs, Internships, and Study Abroad Opportunities

We are in contact with many organizations that inform us of jobs and internships that are available within their organizations. We also search other websites and organizations to find available positions. [We have created a page on the Children and Youth Studies website to keep students up to date on the many job and internship opportunities available.](#) We are working on keeping our list as updated as possible and filled with many opportunities.

Many students are unclear as to what steps they need to take to make them more competitive when entering the job market.

We encourage you to participate in a study abroad program, complete at least one internship, and take advantage of workshops offered to students through the Magner Center.

WHY STUDY ABROAD?

Study Abroad programs allow you to receive credits while taking a trip of a lifetime. You will get a unique perspective from other countries and have the chance to learn about different cultures and areas of the world, all while studying coursework that will count toward your degree at Brooklyn College. For more information on Study Abroad visit the [Office of International Education and Global Engagement](#) in 1108 Boylan.

WHY DO AN INTERNSHIP?

Many students complete one to two internships before graduating with their Bachelors degree. The experience you will gain from doing an internship while finishing your

degree will help you stand out from other applicants when searching for jobs. Internships also give you the chance to network with people who are successful in the field you want to enter. Participating in an internship while completing your degree is beneficial for acceptance into graduate schools and for future employment.

WHY PARTICIPATE IN MAGNER CENTER WORKSHOPS?

The Magner Center at Brooklyn College is a great resource for students. They offer numerous workshops and services throughout the year. The Magner Center is able to provide many services to students including: Career and Major counseling, finding internships, resume and cover letter writing workshops/review, Graduate school advisement, finding full or part time jobs, and professional skill development workshops. To get more information on the Magner Center visit their website at <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/pub/departments/magner/>.

If you have any questions about jobs, internships, or study abroad opportunities, please stop by the Children and Youth Studies Program office at 3602 James Hall or call 718.951.3192, you can also reach us by email at childrensstudies@brooklyn.cuny.edu.

Children First Club!

Are you interested in advocating for the rights of children and youth? Children First Club is the platform for you! The CFC is currently searching for new members to participate in scheduled events and fundraisers. To get more information on the Club, or to find out about upcoming meetings and events, e-mail board members at children1stclub@gmail.com.

You can also find the club on Facebook by searching Children First Club and view Club information on the [Children First Club page of our website](#).

The Children First Club recently participated in the Welcome Back Bash at Brooklyn College. Loretta Chin wrote an article for the Brooklyn College student newspaper, the Excelsior, titled, "[Making Children First at the Welcome Back Bash and Club Fair.](#)"



(left to right) Jeanny Kimm, President; Ariana Chavez, Secretary; Tierra Woods; Dasha Vodrazkova; Meghan Santos; Natalie Vattuone; Gabriella Giglio; and Elizabeth Gutierrez

Summer 2011 ASA Newsletter

News from the Children and Youth Studies Program and the Children's Studies Center was featured in the Summer 2011 issue of Child and Youth News, the American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Children Newsletter. Our news can be viewed on [page 13 of the Newsletter](#).

Speakers in Our Children and Youth Studies Program

Many of our Children and Youth Studies courses are incorporating a series of distinguished guest speakers this semester.

The capstone course for our Children and Youth Studies major, **CHST 4900: Professional Perspectives and Children**, is among those courses. The class is being taught this semester by the Founding Director of the Children and Youth Studies Program, Professor Gertrud Lenzer. Guest speakers for the course include:

- Pamela Brown-Laurenceau, Magner Center Career Alumni Mentor Program Coordinator, Pre-Law Advisor/Adjunct Faculty Economics Department
- Louise Moreira Daniels, Consultant, Social Policy and Economic Analyses, UNICEF
- Sherry M. Cleary, Executive Director, NYC Early Childhood Professional Development Institute, CUNY
- Natalie Williams, Co-Director, the Garden House School
- Hon. William Scarborough, New York State Assembly
- Robert Deleon, Director of Family Court Programs, Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services
- Joseph McLaughlin, Director of Youth Programs, Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services
- Katherine Eckstein, Director of Public Policy, Children's Aid Society
- Ellen Fried, Esq., Professor, Children and Youth Studies

Speakers for Professor Ellen Fried's **CHST 3310: Children and the Law** course include:

- Representatives for GEMS
- Hon. Anne-Marie Jolly, Judge, Bronx Family Court
- Margo Hirsch, Executive Director, Empire State Coalition of Runaway and Homeless Youth
- Harry Berberian, Director of Education Policy Planning and Practice
- Sam Dulberg, Esq., Private practice representing children and families

Assemblymember William Scarborough, who has joined the Children and Youth Studies Program again this semester, is teaching **CHST 3320: Children, Public Policies, Advocacy and Legislation in New York State** and the speakers for this course include:

- Hon. Diane Savino, Chair, New York State Senate Committee on Children and Families
- Gladys Carrion, Commissioner, New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS)
- Hon. Amy Paulin, Chair, New York State Assembly Committee on Children and Families
- Jeanne B. Mullgrav, Commissioner, New York City Division of Youth and Community Development
- Cynthia Dames, Child Abuse Specialist, Cynthia Dames and Associates
- Regent Geraldine Chapecy, New York State Board of Regents
- Fatima Goldman, Executive Director, Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies
- Dennis Walcott, Chancellor, New York City Public Schools
- Richard Buery, Executive Director, Children's Aid Society

To view any changes or to see former guest speakers visit the [Distinguished Guest Speakers in the Children and Youth Studies Program](#) page on our website.

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