

From the Director...

This year has been one of growth and expansion for Colgate's Women's Studies Program. As we continue to add exciting courses in Women's Studies, we are especially pleased to announce two new offerings for Fall, 1994. (For a complete list of Women's Studies courses for Fall, 1994 see page 3).

First, with the Department of Philosophy and Religion, we will be cross-listing "Women's Lives and the Religious Traditions." This new course will examine the ways in which women's lives have shaped and been shaped by a variety of religious traditions.

Second, Professor Byrnes of the Political Science Department will teach a new course focused on the politics of abortion. "Law and Politics of Abortion in the United States" will address questions of legal, religious, and political influences on the abortion debate. Our expanding list of courses is important both for our concentrators and for students who take Women's Studies courses during their Colgate career.

The Center for Women's Studies also has been growing, with a record number of programs and activities this year. Much of its success is due to the hard work of our Student Assistants. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of them for their commitment this year, but especially to commend the dedication of our graduating seniors.

Justine Andronici and Michelle Navin have worked hard to make our Legislative Day a great success. Yvonne McNeese organized a project on domestic violence and Tobi Soeldner-Prim on the Rape Law Campaign. Emily Chang and Amanda Pomeroy revitalized Colgate's Women in Science, while Holly Taylor and Janet Lopez updated our library holdings and added them to MONDO. In addition, Liz Powell took the lead in this Spring's Women's Leadership Conference. All of these students have been critical to the Center for Women's Studies' ability to reach out to and serve the Colgate community.

We will be looking for additional Student Assistants for the Fall. Everyone is welcome to apply by filling out the application form on page 4.

Be sure to check our calendar of events in this newsletter and join us for exciting programs!

Joan D. Mandle
Director, Women's Studies Program

We're Moving to East!

In September, the Center for Women's Studies will be moving to the ground floor of East Hall. Dodge House, the Center's home for the past two years, will be renovated as a residence hall.

The Women's Studies Program is excited about our opportunity to expand our resources, programs, and activities in a new central location on the campus. We will have classroom and seminar space, a reading room, offices, and a new lounge.

Stop in next Fall to visit us in our new location!

Women's Studies In Albany!

"Legislative Day", a trip to the New York State Capital in Albany, is sponsored each year by the Center for Women's Studies. On March 29th approximately 50 Colgate students and faculty members are spending the day with legislators and lobbyists in order to be updated on state legislation designed to promote women's rights. Women's reproductive rights, New York State Rape Law, and issues of homeless women and families are addressed in three one hour sessions.

Students and faculty have the opportunity to engage and question information presented to them by members of the New York State Assembly and representatives from Family Planning Advocates of New York State, the NYS Coalition for the Homeless, and the NYS Coalition Against Sexual Violence. As senior Tobi Soeldner-Prim states, this trip "helps localize the issue. Students realize these issues are not only discussed on a national level, but are an important part of the political dialogue at a state and local level."

During Session I on women's reproductive rights, Assembly member Deborah Glick, once an active member

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What's Happening in Women's Studies ?

Women's Studies offers many exciting opportunities for women and men to write papers, attend conferences and experience internships. The field of Women's Studies is diverse and so are the opportunities it offers. For more information, see the Center for Women's Studies, Dodge.

Internships:

The Legislative/Political Department of the **National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League** (NARAL) is offering a Legislative Internship which will allow you to learn the basics of lobbying and legislative research.

The internship is a 35-40 hours a week position and includes the following responsibilities:

- Research and track legislation
- Maintain and update Factsheets, Congressional files
- Coordinate Congressional mailings
- Assist with special projects/events and ability to work extended hours at these times
- Filing, data entry, photocopying and other clerical needs.

If you are interested in this internship, contact Colgate alum Jessica Schlather '93 at NARAL, 1156 15th Street NW, Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20005. (202) 973-3052.

The Center for Women Policy Studies offers internships during the academic year in a variety of areas. An intern works on one or two of the Center's programs, in conjunction with the Project Director and Executive Director.

Interns are selected on the basis of their expressed and/or demonstrated interest in women's issues and feminist perspectives. Academic credit is usually a part of compensation. For more information contact the Center for Women Policy Studies, 2000 P Street NW, Suite 508, Washington, D.C. 20036. (202) 872-1770.

Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation is offering non-paid, full and part-time internships for the summer of 1994. Duration and hours are flexible. In the past, internship activities have included:

- Research on a variety of issues affecting women
- Editing and readying for publication a collection of biographies of UU women in history
- Organizing a newly acquired feminist film library
- Writing for the UUWF's newsletter The Communicator

- Helping to organize a national conference.

Anyone interested in applying for a summer internship should send a resume and a letter including your interest, skills, and other pertinent information. Applications must be postmarked by April 29th.

The Fund for the Feminist Majority announces a National Internship Program with positions available in the following areas:

- the Feminization of Power Campaign to inspire women to seek leadership positions in politics and on college campuses
- the Empowering Women Campaign to encourage women to seek leadership in the professions (including medicine, business, law and the media)
- abortion laws, public policy issues and gender balance legislation
- women's studies curriculum
- international women's rights

To apply, send resume, writing sample and cover letter to: Kimberly Schmidt, 1600 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 801, Arlington, VA 22209. (703) 522-2214.

Conferences:

The fourth *Women's Policy Research Conference, Innovations in State & Local Government: New Directions for Women*, will be held June 3-4, 1994. Policy reforms in welfare, job training and the "family friendly" workplace will be addressed.

For additional information, please contact Lucia Fort, 1994 Conference Coordinator at the Institute for Women's Policy and Research, (202) 785-0393 or write to Fort at 1400 20th Street N.W., Suite 104, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Also in June is the *National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Women Leading: Today and Tomorrow*, sponsored by the National Association for Women in Education. The conference, held June 2-4 in Washington, D.C. will offer leadership and personal development workshops, briefing on current federal legislation. Speakers include Johnetta Cole,

President of Spelman College and Marian Wright Edleman, founder of the Children's Defense Fund.

Registration materials are available from NAWA, Suite 210, 1325 Eighteenth Street NW, Washington, D.C. 210036. Or call (202) 659-9330.

The National Conference on Psychology & Women's Health, Creating a Psychosocial Agenda for the Twenty-First Century, is held this year at the Hyatt Regency Hotel Capitol Hill, Washington, D. C. from May 12 to 14. The goal of the conference is to highlight the importance of psychological and behavioral factors in women's health research.

For more information contact Dr. Nancy Felipe Fusso, Professor of Psychology and Women's Studies at Arizona State University. (602) 965-0380.

Interdisciplinarity and Identity is a conference being hosted by the Women's Studies Program of the University of Delaware, April 15th and 16th. The keynote speaker will be bell hooks.

Contact Jessica Schiffman by E-mail: Jessica.Schiffman@MVS.UDel.Edu. or by phone: (310) 831-8474.

This year's **National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference** will be at Iowa State in Ames, Iowa, June 15-19. Deadline for registration is the end of May. For more information contact the NWSA at (301) 403-0524.

The **20th Annual Feminist Women's Writing Workshop** will be held July 10-17 on the shore of Seneca Lake in the New York Fingerlakes region. This year's guest writer will be Dorothy Allison, nominated for the National Book Award in 1992. For more information, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Feminist Women's Writing Workshops, Inc, P.O. Box 6583, Ithaca, New York, 14851.

A Call for Papers!

Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society seeks submissions for a special issue on feminist theory and practice, slated

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for Spring 1994

March

15 Tuesday

Discussion of Women in Science and Math
Annalisa Crannell
4:30; Women's Studies Classroom

Bawdy Math for Women
Annalisa Crannell
7:00; Women's Studies Classroom
Organizational meeting for Women in Athletics
8:00; Center for Women's Studies

16 Wednesday

Brown Bag Lunch
Women of el Planeta
Mary Moran/Maureen Hays-Mitchell
12:00; Women's Studies Classroom
Meeting for Women in Black
7:00; Women's Studies Classroom
Action Against Domestic Violence Organizational Meeting
7:00; Center for Women's Studies

17 Thursday

March Film Series / *Howard's End*
8:00; Women's Studies Classroom

29 Tuesday

Legislative Day trip to Albany
7:30am - 5:30pm
March Film Series / *Entre Nous*
8:00; Women's Studies Classroom

30 Wednesday

Senior Seminar with Wendy Kaminer
3:30; Women's Studies Classroom
I'm Dysfunctional, You're Dysfunctional
Wendy Kaminer
7:30; Women's Studies Classroom

31 Thursday

Girls Will Be Girls: Adolescent Diaries in Historical Perspective
Joan Jacobs Brumberg
4:30; 105 Lawrence
Department of History

April

1 Friday

Free Film Series
Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore
8:00; Women's Studies Classroom

4 Monday

American Transformations of the Piety of Eastern European Jewish Women
Chava Weissler
7:30; Saperstein Jewish Center
Co-sponsor: Center for Women's Studies

6 Wednesday

Brown Bag Lunch
Powers and Problems of Women Artists
Lynn Schwarzer
12:00; Women's Studies Classroom
Celebration of Nat'l Student Athlete Day
7:00; Women's Studies Classroom

10 Sunday

Women's Leadership Conference
1:00pm - 5:00pm

14 Thursday

Sally McConnell-Ginet
Language and Gender
4:30; Women's Studies Classroom

16 Saturday

Students travel to Emmaus House

18 - 22

Student Research Presentations

19 Tuesday

Womanism
Estare Alston '94
7:00; Women's Studies Classroom

22 Friday

Free Film Series
Thelma and Louise
8:00; Women's Studies Classroom

28 Thursday

Women's Studies Banquet

30 Saturday

Students travel to Emmaus House

Women's Studies Program Fall 1994 Course Listing

ECON 334: Gender in the Economy
Ulla Grapard / TTh 9:30-10:50

EDUC 412: Women and Education
JoAnn Pagano / TTh 1:30-2:50

ENGL 433: West Indian Literature
Ken Ramchand / W 3:00-5:30

ENGL 460: Studies in the Middle Ages
Lynn Staley / M 2:30-5:00

GNED 312: Women and Popular Culture
Jill Harsin, JoAnn Pagano and Jane Pinchin / TTh 9:30-10:50

GNED 313: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Women
Ulla Grapard / Victoria McMillan
TTh 1:30-2:50

PHIL 360: Philosophy and Feminism
Marilyn Thie / MW 3:00-4:20

POSC 318: Law & Politics of Abortion in the U.S.
Tim Byrnes / TTh 8:00-9:20

POSC 451: Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa
Anne Pitcher / W 6:00-9:00

RELG 234: Women's Lives and the Religious Traditions
Georgianna Frank / TTh 1:30-2:50

SOAN 301: Kinship and Marriage
Michael Peletz / TTh 1:30-2:50

SOAN 311: Women and Social Change
Joan Mandle / TTh 1:30-2:50

WMST 202: Introduction to Women's Studies
Jill Tiefenthaler / TTh 9:30-10:50

Center for Women's Studies Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm and
Sunday-Thursday, 8pm-10pm

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in New York City NOW and the Coordinator for the NOW Reproductive Rights Committee and lobbyist Carol Reichert of Family Planning Advocates are discussing reproductive legislation.

Session II concentrates on the New York State Rape Law. The first speaker, Senator John De Francisco, has recently proposed new legislation supporting a change in the definition of female as it appears in rape law statutes. The second speaker, Tonia St. Germain is a public policy researcher with NYS Coalition Against Sexual Violence.

In the last session, Assembly member Barbara Clark who spoke to Colgate students and faculty last year, addresses legislative issues that serve as obstacles to the homeless community. She is followed by Shelly Nortz of the NYS Coalition for the Homeless.

Anyone interested in learning more about these or other issues can contact the Center for Women's Studies or join our mailing list and receive the Center for Women's Studies' Legislative Updates.

What's Happening in Women's Studies. . .

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for publication Summer 1996. Deadline for submissions is September 1, 1994.

The focus of the special edition is the junction between

academic feminism and activist feminism. Papers should describe or illustrate the effect theory has on practice and/or the effect practice has on theory.

Articles are to be submitted in triplicate to Signs, 495 Ford Hall, 224 Church Street SE, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455. Guidelines for submissions can be found in any *Signs* journal.

The eighth annual *Western Kentucky University Women's Studies Conference, Women in the Arts and Sciences*, is being held September 23-24, 1994.

Papers and Panels are invited in all areas of women's studies. Abstracts must be received by April 15, 1994 to be

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Join Us and be a part of the change!
Student Assistant Application Fall 1994

Name: _____ Year: _____

Concentration: _____ Phone #: _____ Box #: _____

Why do you want to work for the Center for Women's Studies?

Are you interested in working on a specific project? Yes No (circle one) If Yes, what kind?

What other interests are you bringing with you to the Center?

Please return to: Center for Women's Studies, Dodge before May 1, 1994