News and information from around the College.

Ben Samuels Children’s Center

- In June of 2011, Corinne Catalano provided autism awareness training to the Nutley Police Department. She spoke to superior officers and outlined characteristics they could encounter when dealing with an autistic child. Officers received sign charts, which will be placed in patrol cars, highlighting symbols used in communication with autistic children. A news article about the training that appeared in the Nutley Sun can be found here: http://www.northjersey.com/news/health/announcements/124370483_Nutley_police_get_autism_awareness_training.html.

Center for Autism and Early Childhood Mental Health

- The Center for Autism and Early Childhood Mental Health (CAECMH) opened under the auspices of CEHS. The Center will serve as a resource for professional development, education, clinical services and research around the issues of autism, infant and childhood development and mental health. The Center will be led by Dr. Gerard Costa as Director, a widely respected expert on both autism and infant/early childhood mental health.

- Gerard Costa, Director of the newly formed Center of Autism and Early Childhood Mental Health will be giving the keynote address at the Current Issues: Infant Mental Health and FASD conference to be held at Saint Claire’s Hospital in Denville, New Jersey on October 5th. The event is sponsored by the Gateway Maternal Child Health Network.

Center for Research and Evaluation on Education and Human Services

- The Center for Research and Evaluation on Education and Human Services (CREEHS) was launched over the summer. CREEHS conducts high quality multi-disciplinary and multi-method research and evaluation studies to produce useable knowledge in education and human services, and to contribute to public policy that addresses the most pressing issues in education and human services. CREEHS collaborates with and provides services to educational agencies and institutions, community organizations, and health-related government and human services agencies. CREEHS provides a venue for researchers, faculty, and graduate students to collaborate in carrying out thoughtful and responsive evaluation and research studies. Eden Kyse is the Center’s new Research Associate.

Counseling and Educational Leadership

- Christine Morano Magee was recently appointed to the International Association of Technology, Education and Development, International Scientific Advisory Board.
Curriculum and Teaching

- **Vanessa Domine** was elected to the office of 1st Vice President of the National Association for Media Literacy Education (namle.net). This is her second term of office on the Board of Directors. You can read her essay, "The Coming of Age of Media Literacy" in the current issue of the *Journal of Media Literacy Education* (jmle.org). **Dr. Domine** also successfully chaired the 2011 Conference Program of the National Association for Media Literacy Education (NAMLE) in Philadelphia July 22-25th. A special thanks to CEHS for sponsoring the Media Hub where **Gregg Festa** and **Joe Russo**, of the ADP Center, offered attendees guidance and support with digital technologies. Graduate assistant, **Mary Fuchs**, successfully coordinated the on-site and virtual NAMLE Marketplace. You can find a searchable conference program at 2011.namle.net.

Dean’s Office

- **Linda Flynn**, Director of Career Services for CEHS, was elected Vice President of Finance for New Jersey Cooperative Education and Internship Association (NJCEIA), a professional organization that provides support to strengthen new and existing Cooperative Education and Internship programs along with partnerships of college and business professionals throughout New Jersey.

Educational Foundations

- **Zoe Burkholder**'s book entitled *Color in the Classroom: How American Schools Taught Race* was recently published by Oxford University Press.

Health and Nutrition Sciences

- **Kathleen Bauer, Doreen Liou**, and Carol Sokolik had their new textbook entitled *Nutrition Counseling and Education Skill Development* published by Wadsworth/Thomson Learning of Belmont, California.

UPCOMING EVENTS (contact person in parentheses)

**September 21:** Educating Children of Refugees and Migrant Workers in Israel

*University Hall Room 1070, 2:45 pm - 4:45 pm*  
Pedagogical Success Against All Odds: Education Children of Refugees and Migrant Workers In Israel. Lecture, Discussion and Screening of the Oscar-Winning Film "Strangers No More". with Professor Nimrod Aloni, Ph.D., the UNESCO Chair of Humanistic Education, Kibbutzim College, Israel MSU Visiting Professor, Educational Foundations.

**September 22:** Dr. Salvador Minuchin, World Renowned Therapist and Theorist

The Department of Family and Child Studies will host world-renowned therapist and theorist Dr. Salvador Minuchin for its annual conference. Dr. Minuchin revolutionized therapeutic treatment by changing the focus from individual-oriented to family-oriented therapy and developed Structural Family Therapy. In 2007, a survey of 2,600 practitioners named Dr. Minuchin as one of the ten most influential therapists of the past quarter-century. **Registration is required** for the two sessions that will be part of the event: The Craft of Family Therapy and The Evolution of Working with Families: Intersection of Multiple Identities. Visit this URL to register: [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SKLVMMK](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SKLVMMK)
September 22: Ph.D. Counselor Education Information Session

*University Hall, Courtyard Lounge, 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm*

The Department of Counseling and Educational Leadership will host an Information Session for the Ph.D. in Counselor Education program. Prospective students will have the opportunity to meet program faculty, current doctoral students, and potential colleagues, and learn about application and program requirements. For more information or to register for the Information Session, please respond to phdcounsel@montclair.edu (please use "PhD Information Session RSVP" in your subject line).

September 28: Predictors and Predictions of Gender Differences in Children’s Socioemotional, Cognitive, and Academic Outcomes

*University Hall Room 2160, 4:00 pm*

A research presentation and discussion facilitated by Dr. Jamaal Matthews, a faculty member in the Department of Educational Foundations. During this presentation Dr. Jamaal Matthews’ will describe his recent research investigating how early gender differences in self-regulation may influence later achievement. He will discuss findings from longitudinal data that examined potential precursors, such as mother-child interactions, to the development of cognitive self-regulation in young children.

The Department of Educational Foundations Colloquium Series is dedicated to providing a forum in which members of the MSU community may share ongoing research activities and discuss issues relevant to education. All members of the MSU community and friends are invited to attend.

October 26: Families, Children, and Communities Conference: Professions and Careers

*University Hall Room 1020, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm*

The Department of Family and Child Studies will be launching a “Families, Children, and Communities” Conference Series. The first conference will highlight professions and careers in non-profit organizations serving youth and families. This conference is for FCST Students and broader campus community. The conference will include officers from major 501c(3) organizations including: The American Red Cross, The All Stars Project, and The Boys and Girls Clubs of America, and will focus on different career aspects of non-profit organizations. Many times students disqualify themselves from applying for internships and positions in operations, management and development. The Department's hope is that our guest speakers will open their eyes to a variety of jobs and career tracks that they may not have considered. Contact Sean Schofield at schofields@mail.montclair.edu for further information.

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