

To: C.W. Post Campus Community
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I would like to welcome everyone back to campus. The Spring Semester is filled with wonderful events including student recitals, guest lectures, high-action winter sports, research presentations, award ceremonies, and theatre performances. I hope everyone will participate in the many activities and special programs. We have had a particularly challenging first three weeks of school, with bouts of a Norwalk-type virus affecting several students, as well as a record-shattering snow fall. I would like to thank the Student Health and Counseling Center, Student Affairs, Residence Life, Public Safety and Facilities Services for their rapid responses to these demanding events. What follows is a snapshot of some recent activities. For the latest campus news, I encourage you to visit the Web site at www.liu.edu/cwpost/news or [facebook.com/cwpost](https://www.facebook.com/cwpost).

New Degree Programs: The New York State Department of Education has approved Long Island's first **master's degree in Digital Game Design and Development**, beginning in September 2011. Game design is a burgeoning industry, and C.W. Post's advanced degree will prepare students for careers in this rapidly emerging field. Long Island University has also created an advanced standing **online Master of Social Work** with a concentration in child and family welfare, continuing our applications of the latest technologies to make education more accessible. Additionally, the Campus has an exciting **B.F.A. in Theatre with a concentration in musical theatre** which trains students to obtain lead roles in musicals.

Black History Month: On Friday, February 11, Abraham Lincoln scholar **David Carlyon** will speak on **"The Gettysburg Address: Politics Overlaps Performance,"** at 12 noon in the Hillwood Commons Lecture Hall. The event, which is free and open to the public, is made possible through the support of the New York Council for the Humanities' Speakers in the Humanities program. Following the lecture, theatre students from the C.W. Post Department of Theatre, Film, Dance and Arts Management will read two scenes from "The American Play" and "Topdog/Underdog." The plays, by Susan Lori Parks, view President Lincoln through the lens of a 21st century black actor who plays the role of Lincoln. In conjunction with the lecture and Black History Month, two exhibits – "African Americans and the Civil War" and "Scenes from the Civil War" – will be on display in the main lobby of the B. Davis Schwartz Memorial Library from February 10 through March 15.

Global Connections Partnership Program: The Hutton House Lectures, International Student Services and the College of Management are sponsoring the **Global Connections Partnership Program**, which will enhance international students' preparation for the workplace. Retired business leaders and CEOs are mentoring students from China, India and other countries, meeting with them weekly to relate their experiences, share their insights and offer advice and encouragement. The first group of students and mentors convened on January 17. Because federal law restricts international students' ability to work off campus, this program will give them invaluable networking opportunities and exposure to U.S. business customs.

Long Island Power Women: On Wednesday, February 16, the Long Island Women's Institute of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences presents "Long Island's Power Women," in which several business leaders will share their strategies for professional success. Panelists include Roslyn Goldmacher, president and CEO of Long Island Development Corporation; Judith Beckman, president of the Nassau Chapter of the Association of Financial Services; Sharon Edison, principal at Metropolitan Refunds; Sharon Newman, owner of Envelopes.com; and Phyllis Hill Slater, principal, Hill Slater Inc. The event is free and begins at 6 p.m. in the Great Hall of Winnick House.

Virtual Open Houses: The Office of Admissions is hosting a series of online open houses to showcase C.W. Post's graduate programs and chat live with students. The next virtual open houses will be held Wednesday, March 16, and will provide information about the new M.A. in Digital Game Design and Development, the Master of Business Administration degree and the Online Master of Social Work Program with a concentration in child and family welfare. Faculty and program directors will be on hand to answer questions about coursework and degree requirements. To register, visit our website at www.liu.edu/cwpost/openhouse.



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Renowned Philosopher to Lecture: **Dr. John J. McDermott**, distinguished professor of philosophy and humanities at Texas A&M University, will give a lecture titled “Connected Emptiness: The Erosion of Face-to-Face Pedagogy” at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 16, in the Hillwood Art Museum. McDermott is one of America’s leading philosophers and educators and editor of the 12-volume “The Correspondence of William James.” The lecture is presented by the C.W. Post Philosophy Department and the Honors Program.

Professors in the News: C.W. Post Egyptologist **Bob Brier**, a senior research fellow and leading expert on mummies, appeared on CNN’s “The Situation Room” with Wolf Blitzer on January 31 to discuss the antiquities at Cairo’s Egyptian Museum and the vulnerability of monuments such as the Great Pyramids in the wake of Egypt’s massive protests. Dr. Brier also discussed the museum treasures and dangers of looting on NBC’s “Today” Show, National Public Radio, and New York Nightly News with Chuck Scarborough.

Willie Hiatt, assistant professor of history and two colleagues have been lauded for their translation of an essential Peruvian text on Andean peoples that was previously available only in Spanish. The translation was named an “Outstanding Title” by Choice, a publication of the American Library Association. Economics Professor **Panos Mourdoukoutas**, chairman of the Economics Department, made a presentation titled “The Prospects for Exiting the Crisis: U.S., Europe and Japan” at the Institute of Democracy, a think tank in Athens, Greece on January 14, in which he offered his views on solving Greece’s debt crisis. Mathematics Professor **Anne Burns** was honored for her digital artwork “Circles on Orthogonal Circles.” She won Third Place for the Mathematical Art Exhibition Award at the 2011 Joint Mathematics Meeting, held in January in New Orleans.

Sustainability: Our World, Our Responsibility: This summer, C.W. Post will offer a series of courses in sustainability that will change the way you think about our planet. The new summer institute at C.W. Post, held May 16 to August 26, 2011, will examine a broad range of subjects in sustainability, from organic food to climate change to environmental music. Courses are three-credits and count as electives toward bachelor’s degrees and some master’s degrees at C.W. Post. The program is available at a discounted tuition rate to current C.W. Post students, visiting students from other colleges and high school students. For more information, visit www.liu.edu/cwpost/summer.

Alumni Achievements: **David Kline** ’89, M.B.A. ’92 is the new chief information officer at Viacom, where he is responsible for strategic leadership for the company’s technology infrastructure and overseeing the MTV Networks online technology and interactive services. He earned a B.S. in business administration/marketing and an M.B.A. from C.W. Post. **Olessa Stepanova** ’06 is the new morning traffic reporter for “Eyewitness News This Morning” at WFSB in Hartford, Connecticut. She previously worked at News 12 Long Island, where she covered Long Island traffic from Chopper 12. She earned a degree in electronic journalism from C.W. Post. Long Island University Trustee **Linda Amper** ’78, ’85, who received both a B.S. in medical biology and an M.P.A. with a specialization in health care from C.W. Post, has been appointed senior vice president of human resources at Optimer Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Dr. Amper previously held the same position at OSI Pharmaceuticals (now Astellas Pharma) and, also has held key positions at the New York Blood Center, including vice president, human resources. Psychic medium **John Edward**, host and producer of the television show “Crossing Over with John Edward,” who received a B.S. in Accelerated Health Care from C.W. Post in 1992, performed for a 25th anniversary show at the New York Community Bank Theatre at Westbury, Long Island. **Alfred C. Ronzoni Jr.**, treasurer of the Greater Astoria Historical Society, is featured in the January 18 edition of the *Huffington Post*. Great-grandson of the founder of Ronzoni pasta company (whose first plant opened on Northern Boulevard), Ronzoni Jr. received his M.A. in history from C.W. Post in 1995 before pursuing a career in financial services. He remains passionate about history, however – including his family’s own. He delivers lectures on the Ronzoni enterprise and helped the Greater Astoria Historical Society develop a permanent Ronzoni exhibit.

New Dining Options: A new concession stand opened this semester at the Pratt Recreation Center. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The C.W. Post community can also look forward to new dining options in Hillwood Commons in September. The cafeteria will be redesigned with stations for Topio’s Pizza, a hot grill, a salad station, grab and go, and an expanded AFC sushi offerings including hot entrées. Subway will be reconfigured for better traffic flow and a Starbucks will be located in the space now occupied by the Little Shop of Commons. The plans were created by Aramark, Inc., award-winning dining services provider, in consultation with the Student Government Association.

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