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Congratulations to faculty members in the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences on receiving a \$60,000 federal grant from the National Science Foundation to develop a multidisciplinary, multi-campus minor in STEM education in collaboration with SUNY colleges and universities on Long Island.

Faculty members in the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences presented their research at NYIT's annual [Cyber Security Conference](#) on Sept. 19 in Manhattan.

- **Ziqian (Cecilia) Dong**, Ph.D., assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering: "IP Geolocation as a Forensic Tool."
- **Paolo Gasti**, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science: "NDN Interest Flooding Attacks and Countermeasures!"
- **Wei Ding**, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science: "Multimodal Implicit Authentication of Mobile Phones Using Sonic Distance Measurements."

Farzana Gandhi, assistant professor of architecture, was one of three international architects invited by the University of Puerto Rico to lead a group of local students in a Collective Architecture Workshop, Sept. 2-6 in San Juan. The workshop resulted in the design and construction of small-scale architectural interventions in three public spaces in a low-income neighborhood of Old San Juan, and received press coverage including an article in *El Nuevo Día* and segment on the Radial Architecture Program broadcasted on 89.7 FM radio station in San Juan. Gandhi also presented a lecture on Sept. 4 at the *Arquitectura Panorama Cambiante* Conference.

Sarah McPherson, Ed.D., associate professor and chair of the Department of Instructional Technology and Leadership, was appointed to the Continuous Improvement Commission/Accreditation Council of the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation through June 2015.

Susan Neville, Ph.D., R.N., associate professor and chair of the Department of Nursing, and **Maureen Cardoza**, Ph.D., R.N., assistant professor of nursing, have achieved qualification as Certified Dementia Practitioners from the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners through Sept. 12, 2015.

Congratulations to colleagues who received Standard of Excellence Awards at NYIT's 2013 [medical and health convocation](#), including:

Staff members who received vice presidential awards:

- **Greg Banhazi**, director of business development
- **Carol Jablonsky**, director of human resources
- **William Marchand**, director of facilities operations
- **Susan Warner**, director of publications and advertising

School of Health Professions faculty and staff members who received distinguished teaching and service awards:

- **Rosemary Gallagher**, D.P.T., assistant professor of physical therapy
- **Cheryl Hall**, D.H.Sc., assistant professor of physical therapy
- **Laura Juel**, adjunct professor of occupational therapy
- **Oren Shtayermman**, Ph.D., assistant professor of counseling
- **Veronica Valencia**, administrative assistant for the Department of Nursing

College of Osteopathic Medicine faculty and staff members who received distinguished teaching and service awards:

- **Mary Ann Achtziger**, associate dean for student affairs
- **Jerry Balentine**, D.O., professor of emergency medicine

- **Melody Bauer**, administrative assistant for academic affairs
- **Brian Beatty**, Ph.D., assistant professor of anatomy
- **Susan Klein**, assistant director for student affairs
- **Min-Kyung Jung**, Ph.D., biostatistician
- **Barbara Urban**, office assistant for NYIT Academic Health Care Center

Min Chung (Amanda) Han, Ph.D., assistant professor of management at NYIT-Nanjing, published the article, "A Study on the Effects of Motivations on Attitudes Toward Advertisements-A Focus on Sina Weibo," in the August 2013 edition of *The E-Business Studies*, and gave an invited talk, "Introduction of International Business," to Jeju government officials at the Jeju Special Self-Governing Province Human Resource Development Center, July 25 in China.

Michael Schwarting, professor of architecture, and **Frances Campani**, associate professor of architecture, are featured in the article, "[House of Light and Air Seeks New Home](#)," in the September 2013 issue of *Architectural Record*. The article describes their plan for reconstructing Aluminaire House, the first prefabricated all-metal house made in the United States and a past NYIT architecture project, as part of a historic district in Sunnyside Gardens, N.Y.

Peter Voci, professor of fine arts, has been appointed to serve on the editorial board of *Merge*, the journal of the [International Society of Academic/Art Practice and Theory](#). The society offers a forum for academicians, artists, researchers, and professionals who recognize the entwined scope of artistic and intellectual pursuits.

Staff members for the NYIT Vocational Independence Program (VIP) published the article, "Using Apps to Aid at School, Home, and Transitioning to Post-Secondary Environments," in the September 2013 edition of *Exceptional Parent* magazine, including:

- **Michelle Ranaldo**, VIP director of technology
- **Ernst VanBergeijk**, Ph.D., VIP associate dean and executive director
- **Erin Vlasak**, VIP director of student services

Patricia Chute, Ed.D., dean of the School of Health Professions, is a featured author in the August 2013 issue of *Access Academics and Research*, a bimonthly e-newsletter published by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Her article, "Clinician-Researcher Collaborations: Strengthening Clinical Outcomes through Science," discusses the critical need for and importance of clinician-scientist partnerships as well as the benefits and challenges in establishing and implementing this type of research relationship. [Read more](#).

Terese Coe, adjunct professor of English, published two poems in the July 2013 issue of *Free Inquiry*, the magazine of the Council on Secular Humanism, and an English translation of German poet Heinrich Heine's "I Don't Believe" on June 28 in the Irish literary magazine, *Crannog*.

Eduard Dedkov, M.D., Ph.D., assistant professor of biomedical sciences, presented the research poster, "Long-Term Ivabradine Treatment Does Not Preserve Myocardial Perfusion and Coronary Reserve in Middle-Aged Rats with Large Myocardial Infarction," at the [American Heart Association's](#) Basic Cardiovascular Sciences 2013 Scientific Sessions: Pathways to Cardiovascular Therapeutics, July 22-25 in Las Vegas. The meeting abstract was published in *Circulation Research 2013*. [Read more](#).

John Hanc, associate professor of communication arts, published a letter from the adviser on Sept. 2 in *The Campus Slate*. He serves as faculty adviser for NYIT-Old Westbury's student newspaper. [Read more](#).

Ernst VanBergeijk, Ph.D., associate dean and executive director of the NYIT Vocational Independence Program, published the online article, "Assessing an Institution for Students with Mental Illness," Sept. 3 at [i-studentglobal.com](#).

Md Hyder Alam, adjunct professor of accounting, was selected as a member of the advisory council of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, and awarded the designation of Chartered Global Management Accountant by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Hui-Yin Hsu, Ph.D., associate professor of teacher education, and **Shiang-Kwei Wang**, Ph.D., associate professor of instructional technology, organized and chaired a session for the Chinese American Academic and Professional Society's 38th Annual Convention, Aug. 25 in Flushing, N.Y. This year's theme was technology and education: enriching lifestyle, culture, and economy. Their session discussed issues pertaining to literacy education in Chinese-American families, using technology to enhance Chinese language teaching, and teaching Chinese-American students with autism spectrum disorders.

Kristine Prazak, assistant professor of physician assistant studies, published the article, "A Puzzling Lymphadenopathy," in the September 2013 issue of the *Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants*. [Read more](#).

Robert Smith, associate professor of fine arts, and NYIT graduate students Ariadni Vezyroglou and Nina Mirhabibi, participated in a digital sculpture training workshop to research the possibilities of combining traditional and digital marble carving technologies, June 8-July 7 in Garfagnana, Italy. The town is designated as an innovation technology center and artisan incubator for the stone industry by the Italian government. The trio presented their work in an exhibition at the Fortezza di Montalfonso in Castelnuovo di Grafagnana, July 6-30 in Italy.

[Read more and view pictures.](#)

Hussain Ahmad, director of financial aid, was presented a medal and citation by Nassau County Executive

Nada Anid, Ph.D., dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, and **Marta Panero**, Ph.D., staff associate for the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, were featured in a report about NYIT's new EcoPartnership to address clean water challenges in China, Aug. 26 on SinoVision English Channel. They

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The National Science Foundation has awarded NYIT a \$230,063 grant for the project, "MRI: Acquisition of a DC/RF Sputtering System to Support Multi-Disciplinary Research on Medical Sensors and Micro-Generators in WBAN," effective Sept. 1, 2013 - Aug. 31, 2016. Congratulations to faculty investigators, including:

- **Tao Zhang**, Ph.D., associate professor of electrical and computer engineering.
- **Fang Li**, Ph.D., assistant professor of mechanical engineering.
- **Stephen J. Blank**, Ph.D., professor of electrical and computer engineering.
- **Aydin Farajidavar**, Ph.D., assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering.

Nada Anid, Ph.D., dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, and **Joanne Scillitoe**, Ph.D., associate professor and director of NYIT Center for Entrepreneurial Studies, are the recipients of a grant from the National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance for the period from Aug. 1, 2013 to Dec. 31, 2014, to develop an "Entrepreneurship Path for Undergraduate Students" pilot program at NYIT. [Read more.](#)

Red Cloth, an oil painting on canvas by **Frances Campani**, associate professor of architecture, is included in "Art of the Figure," an exhibition at Gallery North in Setauket, N.Y. The show runs from Friday, Aug. 30 to Friday, Sept. 27.

Susana H. Case, Ph.D., professor and coordinator for behavioral sciences at NYIT-Manhattan, has written a new book of prose poems and archival photography, *Earth and Below*, published by Anaphora Literary Press. The book's subject is labor history and worker-related issues in the copper mining industry.

Rose Antwi Ezani, medical director for NYIT's Vocational Independence Program (VIP); **Erin Vlasak**, director of student support services for NYIT VIP; and **Ernst VanBergeijk**, Ph.D., associate dean and executive director of NYIT VIP, co-authored the article, "Managing Common Medical Conditions as a Part of Transition Planning," published in the August 2013 edition of *Exceptional Parent* magazine.

Leonard B. Goldstein, D.D.S., Ph.D., director of clerkship education for the College of Osteopathic Medicine, **Bennett Futterman**, M.D., assistant professor of anatomy, and **Eric Schnitzer (D.O. '13)**, a medical resident at SUNY Downstate Hospital, co-authored the article, "Obesity and Pain Management," published in the August 2013 issue of *Practical Pain Management*.

Lawrence Herman, associate professor and chair of the Department of Physician Assistant (PA) Studies, published the book review, "Distinguishing Lies from Statistics: The Art and Science of Prediction," of Nate Silver's *The Signal and the Noise* in the August 2013 edition of *PA Professional*, the official publication of the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA). He also moderated a continuing medical education monograph at Johns Hopkins University for the AAPA. It was released on Aug. 16 as the web-based educational program, "Practice Guidelines for the Treatment of Pain: What You Don't Know Can Hurt."

David Jackson, adjunct professor of physician assistant (PA) studies, wrote the article, "Improving Physician-PA Ratios in New York: A Play-by-Play," published in the August 2013 edition of *PA Professional*, the official publication of the American Academy of Physician Assistants.



Staff members in NYIT's Office of Career Services organized and attended an event for New York City higher education professionals, "Outcomes-Based Assessment—Without Fear," on Aug. 19 at NYIT-Manhattan. Pictured (left to right) are **Amy Bravo**, assistant dean, career services; **John Hyde**, dean, career services; keynote speaker **Samuel Ratcliffe**, Ph.D., president-elect of the National Association of Colleges and Employers; and **Yvonne Harrison**, associate director, career services. [Read more.](#)

Babak D. Beheshti, Ph.D., associate dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, chaired the annual meeting of the member development and life cycle committee of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Aug. 16-18 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He serves as vice chair of member development for the IEEE's Member and Geographic Activities Board.

Michael Hadjiargyrou, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Department of Life Sciences, and **Aydin Farajidavar**, Ph.D., assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering, are quoted in the article, "Postdoc Advancement: Marketing Your Value," published on Aug. 22 in the online career magazine of *Science* journal. [Read more.](#)

Peter Harris, professor of accounting, successfully passed the last two parts of the Enrolled Agent (EA) exam, which covers a spectrum of taxation topics and is administered by the Internal Revenue Service. Passage of the exam, combined with meeting other requirements, allows one to earn the prestigious EA designation. He also presented papers at the Institute of Business and Finance Research in May 2013 in Costa Rica, including:

- "Introductory Accounting Financial Analysis Ratios Informativeness Utilizing the 2011 Fortune 1000 Companies."
- "The 2011 Fortune 1000 Companies and Corporate Malfeasance."
- "Case Study: U.S. GAAP Conversion to IFRS: The Statement of Cash Flows."

The cover story on Aug. 18 in *Newsday*, "College Transfer Students Up 18% on LI, Cite Finances," quotes **Alexander Ott**, Ed.D., associate dean for academic and enrollment support services. He provides an expert voice on the growing transfer student population on Long Island and throughout the United States. [Read more.](#)



PICTURED: Graduate students studying school counseling and mental health attended the 6th Cultural Competence Summer Institute, July

15-19 at NYIT-Manhattan. For more information, read Carol Dahir's faculty achievement.

Gaberiel Bever, Ph.D., assistant professor of anatomy, has co-authored the article, "Evolutionary Origins of the Avian Brain," published on July 31 in *Nature*. [Read more](#).

The American Osteopathic Association has named **David Broder**, D.O., associate dean of postdoctoral education for the College of Osteopathic Medicine, as vice chair to its Council on Postdoctoral Training Institutions and appointed him to its Committee on AOA Governance and Organizational Structure and the Subcommittee on Constitution and Bylaws.

Carol Dahir, Ed.D., professor and chair of NYIT's school counseling program, coordinated the 6th Cultural Competence Summer Institute, July 15-19 at NYIT-Manhattan. It provided experiential learning opportunities for attendees to enhance their ability to work with culturally and ethnically diverse student populations. Participants included 65 school counseling and mental health graduate students from NYIT, University of North Florida, University of Missouri, Portland State University, Northern Kentucky University, University of Buffalo, Oregon State University, and Yildiz Technical University in Istanbul, Turkey.

Peter Harris, professor of accounting, successfully passed Part 2: Taxation of Business Entities of the Special Enrollment Examination administered by the Internal Revenue Service. Passage of the exam's three parts leads to issuance of the prestigious Enrolled Agent designation.

Holler Architecture, a firm run by **Tobias Holler**, assistant professor of architecture, was one of eight New York-based practices selected by the New York Restoration Project to submit proposals for the design of a storm-resistant pavilion in Sherman Creek Park on the Hudson River. [Read more](#).

Kevin LaGrandeur, Ph.D., associate professor of English, gave the presentation, "Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, and Emotions," at the 2013 Metabody Conference on Multiplicities in Motion: Affects, Embodiment, and the Reversal of Cybernetics, July 24-31 in Madrid, Spain. The conference and his presentation were the first products of the Metabody Project, a \$5.5 million research grant awarded by the European Union to a team of researchers from multiple disciplines and countries, including LaGrandeur.

Jim Martinez, Ph.D., assistant professor of instructional technology, and **Olena Zhadko**, Ph.D., manager of course development at the NYIT Center for Teaching and Learning, presented the workshop, "Teacher Professional Development on Educational Technologies: Lessons Learned," at the first NYC Schools Technology Summit on July 31 in Manhattan. Their presentation was based on a 10-month professional development program on instructional technologies for elementary school teachers offered at NYIT from September 2012 to May 2013.

Bill A. Mihajlovic, Ph.D., adjunct professor of electrical and computer engineering, presented the paper, "Age Related Skin Deterioration, Internal Organs Aging and Possibility of Age Reversal," at the 20th IAGG-2013 World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics on Digital Aging: A New Horizon, June 23 in Seoul, South Korea.

Niharika Nath, Ph.D., associate professor of life sciences, co-authored research on a modified aspirin called hydrogen sulfide-releasing aspirin that was synthesized by her co-authors. Her manuscript, "Hydrogen Sulfide-Releasing Aspirin Inhibits the Growth of Leukemic Jurkat Cells," was published on July 26 in the journal *Leukemia Research*. The study demonstrates how the compound destroyed Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia (ALL) cells in tissue culture at very low doses compared to the parent drug aspirin, and therefore it may have less toxicity than aspirin. At the level of mechanism, this compound is also shown to induce cell death pathway and reduce the expression of certain genes that cause cell proliferation.

Ernst VanBergeijk, Ph.D., associate dean and executive director of NYIT Vocational Independence Program, published the online article, "Assessing an Institution for Students with Hearing Impairments," on July 26 at i-studentglobal.com.

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PICTURED: Teachers who participated in a training module on scientific practices presented by NYIT School of Education professors. See faculty achievement for **Shiang-Kwei Wang**, Ph.D., associate professor of instructional technology, and **Hui-Yin Hsu**, Ph.D., associate professor of teacher education.

David Broder, D.O., associate dean of postdoctoral education for the College of Osteopathic Medicine and president of NYCOMEC, chaired the New York delegation to the American Osteopathic Association's House of Delegates meeting, July 17-21 in Chicago. He also served as vice chair for the association's Reference Committee on the Constitution and Bylaws, and was appointed parliamentarian.

Farzana Gandhi, assistant professor of architecture, gave a public design presentation on July 24 about her collaboration with El Puente, a nonprofit organization committed to holistic wellness and the arts for the Latino community in South Williamsburg, Brooklyn.

Leonard B. Goldstein, D.D.S., Ph.D., director of clerkship education for the College of Osteopathic Medicine, published the paper, "Lumbar Spinal Stenosis: A Review of the Treatment Options and Modalities," in the July 2013 issue of *Practical Pain Management*. His co-authors included **Mark Ishak (D.O. '13)**, a neurosurgery resident at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, and **Pamela A. Medina (DO '13)**, an internal medicine resident at New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens.

Mindy Haar, Ph.D., director of program development for the Department of Interdisciplinary Health Sciences, gave a presentation on healthy snacking on July 16 to Nassau County Department of Health staff in Uniondale, N.Y. This is the first lecture in a "Healthy Health Department" series on workplace wellness that will be given by School of Health Professions faculty members in partnership with the New York State Prevention Agenda.

Peter Harris, professor of accounting, published the manuscript, "GAAP vs. IFRS Treatment of Leases and the Impact on Financial Ratios," in the summer 2013 edition of *Review of Business and Finance Case Studies*. He also co-wrote the paper, "An Overview of Foreign Currency Exposure," with NYIT M.B.A. student **Simran Kaur**, published in the July 2013 issue of *Asian Journal of Empirical Research*.

Niharika Nath, Ph.D., associate professor of life sciences, co-authored the article, "Flurbiprofen Benzyl Nitrate (NBS-242) Inhibits the Growth of A-431 Human Epidermoid Carcinoma Cells and Targets β -catenin," published in the 2013 issue of the journal, *Drug Design, Development, and Therapy*. The paper discusses a novel compound that was synthesized and shown to be effective against skin cancer cells by studies in cell culture. The compound was demonstrated to inhibit the beta-catenin signaling pathway, which is implicated in development of non-melanoma skin cancers such as basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma.

Susan Neville, Ph.D., R.N., associate professor and chair of the Department of Nursing, and **Maureen Cardoza**, Ph.D., R.N., assistant professor of nursing, have received funding for the second year of NYIT's Health Resources and Services Administration grant for Workforce Advancement through Geriatric Education. As part of the grant's program, they worked together to offer core and advanced courses in July to professionals at Nassau Health Care Corporation.

Kristen Panella, director of environmental health and safety, participated in an interactive roundtable discussion on lab safety and compliance on July 25 at Stony Brook (N.Y.) University. He spoke about federal and state regulations required of labs and how to create a culture of safety and compliance.

Ernst VanBergeijk, Ph.D., associate dean and executive director of the NYIT Vocational Independence Program, conducted a daylong training, "Providing Support to Students on the Autism Spectrum While at College" on July 17 for faculty and administrators at the University of Akron in Ohio. He also published the article, "Summer Travel Options for Children with Disabilities," which appeared on the cover of the July 2013 issue of *Exceptional Parent* magazine.

Jason Van Nest, assistant professor of architecture, was elected to the Board of Directors of the MacDowell Colony's Fellows Executive Committee. MacDowell Colony is a leading artist colony in the United States.

Shiang-Kwei Wang, Ph.D., associate professor of instructional technology, and **Hui-Yin Hsu**, Ph.D., associate professor of teacher education, co-hosted professional development workshops for 33 New York City middle school science teachers from July 8 to 19. They trained the teachers in water quality and evolution theory with a focus on using technologies to enhance students' literacy and scientific practices. The workshops are part of their project, "Cyber Enabled Learning: Digital Natives in Integrated Scientific Inquiry Classrooms," funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation. [Read more.](#)

David P. Yens, Ph.D., associate professor of family medicine and educational development and assessment, co-authored the paper, "A Research Primer: Basic Guidelines for the Novice Researcher," published in the July 2013 issue of the *Journal of the American Osteopathic Association*.

Nada Anid, Ph.D., dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, participated in the Summit for Transformative Education: Teaching the Key Skills of Changemakers, June 20-22 at the Transformative Action Institute of Stanford University in California. She joined university deans and professors as well as industry representatives to explore ways to enhance colleges' social entrepreneurship curricula for the coming year and to discuss how best to teach students the knowledge and skill sets needed for entrepreneurship and innovation.

In addition, Dean Anid participated in the Annual Conference of the American Society for Engineering Education, June 24-27 in Atlanta. She served as a speaker in the session, "Programs in Entrepreneurship," and presented the paper, "Entrepreneurship and Technology Innovation Center: Bringing Together Industry, Faculty, and Students," co-authored with **Steven H. Billis**, Ph.D., professor of electrical and computer engineering, and **Marta Panero**, Ph.D., staff associate for the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences. She also attended the Engineering Deans Council Business Meeting and visited Georgia Tech's Biomedical Engineering Program.

Susana H. Case, Ph.D., professor and coordinator for behavioral sciences at NYIT-Manhattan, **Marshall G. Kent (B.S. '08)**, and **Donna Sanders (B.A. '09)**, contributed to *Twist of Fate*, an anthology of international authors and artists who, through Indies in Action, created the book to raise money for tornado victims in Oklahoma. Case's book, *Elvis Presley's Hips & Mick Jagger's Lips*, was also reviewed in the *Washington Independent Review of Books*.

Ziqian (Cecilia) Dong, Ph.D., assistant professor of electrical and computer engineering, has engaged in multiple activities, including:

- Presented the paper, "Task Scheduling and Server Provisioning for Energy-Efficient Cloud-Computing Data Centers," at the Third International Workshop on Data Center Performance, July 8 in Philadelphia. She also attended the 33rd IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems, July 8-11.
- Gave the invited talk, "IP Geolocation as a Forensics Tool," at the Nixsun World Wide Security and Mobility Conference held jointly with the Global Wireless Summit, June 25 in Atlantic City, N.J. At the [Nixsun Cybersecurity Tournament](#), her NYIT student-mentees **Randolph Espejo** and **James Hanvey** ranked fourth in a final competition that included solving four forensics puzzles in six hours.
- Gave an invited talk on "Green Cloud Data Center Networks" at the Advanced Energy Conference, May 1 in New York City.

Paolo Gasti, Ph.D., assistant professor of computer science, presented the paper, "Cache Privacy in Named-Data Networking," at the 33rd International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems, July 8-11 in Philadelphia. The paper addresses privacy issues related to named-data networking, an emerging Internet architecture.

Fang Li, Ph.D., assistant professor of mechanical engineering, and **Richard Simpson**, Ph.D., associate professor of electrical and computer engineering, attended the National Science Foundation workshop on "Frontiers of Additive Manufacturing Research and Education," July 11-12 in Arlington, Va. It offered a forum for disseminating information and sharing ideas about the frontiers of additive manufacturing research, education, and technology transfer.

Sarah McPherson, Ed.D., associate professor and chair of the Master's in Instructional Technology, received the President's Volunteer Service Award for national and community service at the International Society for Technology in Education, June 23-26 in San Antonio, Texas.

Niharika Nath, Ph.D., associate professor of life sciences, and NYIT student **Thuy Tien Le**, presented their research on NOSH-aspirin and its potential as an anti-cancer agent at the American Association for Cancer Research annual meeting, April 10 in Washington, D.C. [Read more.](#)

Lynn Rogoff, adjunct professor of communication arts, served as a keynote speaker on June 19 at the Jallo Festival of Animation and Games in Canada. She also served as a panelist for the presentation, "Finding, Delving, and Keeping Your Entrepreneurial Passion," on June 10 in New York City.

Ed Jessup, librarian II, published the article, "Gaming for Gaming: Caesars Expands Rewards Program with Social Media App," in the June 2013 edition of *Quirk's* e-newsletter. [Read more.](#)

Monique Taylor, Ph.D., dean and executive director at NYIT-Nanjing, presented the paper, "Witnessing Whiteness in the Black Renaissance," at the 15th annual conference of The Space Between society, June 20-22 in Chicago. The Space Between studies literature and culture of the period between the first and second world wars.

Ernst VanBergeijk, Ph.D., associate dean and executive director of the NYIT Vocational Independence Program, published the online article, "Assessing an Institution for Students with Visual Impairments," July 2 on [i-Student Global.com](#).



PICTURED: Standing from left to right are **John Hanc**, associate professor of communication arts at NYIT-Old Westbury, **Maryann Skinner**, director of editorial administration for *Newsday*, and **Youjeong Kim**, Ph.D., assistant professor of communication arts at NYIT-Manhattan, who guided Korean journalists on a newspaper tour. Read more in the faculty achievement for Kim and Hanc.

Nada Anid, Ph.D., dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, has been invited by the Girl Scouts of Nassau County to serve on its board of directors' STEM advisory committee, to help inspire and engage young girls to enter careers in the science, technology, engineering, and math fields.

Babak D. Beheshti, Ph.D., associate dean of the School of Engineering and Computing Sciences, was interviewed by *New York Press* for the June 19 article, "Living in a PRISM State." [Read more.](#)

The paper, "Increasing Your Cultural Awareness," by **Peter Harris**, professor of accounting, was listed on the Social Science Research Network's Top 10 Paper Downloads List for the *Urban and Transnational Anthropology eJournal*. As of June 10, his paper was downloaded 40 times.

Youjeong Kim, Ph.D., assistant professor of communication arts at NYIT-Manhattan, and **John Hanc**, associate professor of communication arts at NYIT-Old Westbury, co-hosted 13 Korean journalists for a visit to the Melville, N.Y.-based headquarters of *Newsday*, the 15th largest newspaper in the United States. [Read more.](#)

Radomir A. Mihajlovic, Ph.D., adjunct professor of computer science, presented the paper, "Cloud Computing and Intrusion Detection," on June 19 at the [2013 Business Information Security Conference](#) in Belgrade, Serbia. His paper co-authors include NYIT graduate student **Mahmood Azmat**, who is also employed as a security consultant for Trend Micro, and NYIT alumnus **Alex Mihajlovic (B.S. '08)**, who is working as a research assistant for the Mathematical Institute of the Serbian Academy of Sciences.

Frank Mruk, associate dean for business and strategic planning, participated in various architectural events, including:

- An exhibition on NYIT's Comprehensive Coastal Communities Competition at the New York Interagency Engineering Council's event, "After Superstorm Sandy: Rebuilding and Planning Metropolitan Infrastructure," June 6 in New York City.
- A panel discussion on collaborations with academia at a NYCxDESIGN event sponsored by the American Institute of Architects, the American Council of Engineering Companies of New York, and Town+Gown, May 21 in New York City.
- A presentation on "The Architecture of Innovation: Frameworks for Strategically Structuring Innovation," at the 2013 Association for Strategic Planning National Conference, April 23 in Atlanta, Ga.

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