Dear Wheelock Community Members:

The Department of Government & External Affairs, and Community Impact (DGEA & CI) is pleased to share this monthly email that highlights just some of the recent media coverage of Wheelock, its students, faculty, administrators, and alumnae/i. We encourage you to visit the Wheelock website and take a look at all of our news coverage. We hope this newsletter serves to inform you about the work that your colleagues are doing, and to instill pride among our community. Feel free to share with your networks.

Please note:

Opinions expressed by experts represent their personal perspectives, not necessarily those of the College. Wheelock supports diverse perspectives and this newsletter serves to highlight the breadth and depth of research and areas of expertise.

Some websites may require registration to access the articles and some links may no longer be active. Please contact Beth Kaplan with any issues viewing articles.

March 2015

Institutional News

Commencement Speakers Announced: Wheelock
Inside Higher Ed, 3/13/15
Wheelock College announces its commencement speakers for spring 2015: Joyce Banda, former president of Malawi; and Lawrence O'Donnell, host of The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell on MSNBC.

Wheelock College Expands Early College and Career Access Opportunity through its Newly Launched STEM in the City Camp
Framingham Patch, 3/23/15
Wheelock’s STEM in the City Summer Camp for rising 8th and 9th Graders will take place on the college’s Boston campus July 6-10, 2015. This camp experience will provide hands-on learning that links STEM curriculum to the real world.

President Jackie Jenkins-Scott in the News

Forging Community Partnerships to Improve Integrated Health
Huffington Post, 3/11/15
Wheelock College’s President Jackie Jenkins-Scott recognizes and thanks the social workers who dedicate their lives to improving social conditions and quality of life opportunities for all. Social workers in communities across the nation are critical in raising awareness about family needs and social injustice.

Faculty in the News

Compassion Deficit Disorder
Community Playthings, 3/2015
Diane Levin, a Professor of Early Childhood Education at Wheelock College talks about what is causing some children to develop social behavior disturbances. She has come to characterize this behavior as “Compassion Deficit Disorder,” and gives parents advice on what to do when children behave in ways that hurt or upset others.

Framing debate as a moral question overlooks needs of many students
_The Boston Globe_, 3/10/15
Mary Battenfeld, associate professor at Wheelock College and member of Quality Education for Every Student (QUEST), talks about the role of charter schools in public education. Professor Battenfeld was also on NPR here is the link to listen [Charter Schools And Public Schools: Is There Another Way?](https://t.e2ma.net/message/qp9lr/yn5nznd).

Education Letter: Teaching
_Harvard Education Letter_, 3/11/15
Terry Meier, an associate professor in the Language and Literacy Department at Wheelock College is mentioned on a Harvard Education Letter regarding the research done about the role of African American children’s literature in African American boys’ education.

Rwanda: Parents, Teachers' Role in Nurturing Children
_allAfrica_, 3/11/15
Wheelock College Professor Diane Levin speaks to allAfrica about “Parents’ and Teachers' Roles in Nurturing Children.

What Happened to Summertime Play?
_Youth Today_, 3/18/15
Diane Levin, a professor of early childhood education at Wheelock College in Boston, teaches a class about play. For the past decade, she’s had her undergraduate students, interview people older than 50 about their childhood play experiences — who regularly reported playing outside much of the time.

Moral Indigestion in the Global Pantry
_Cognoscenti_, 3/19/15
Eric Silverman, a professor of Anthropology at Wheelock College said, “Our national menu may be gloriously international, but it comes with a heaping side portion of ignorance.”

Wheelock Family Theater

World Premiere of The Taste of Sunrise Set to Begin Performances
_Theater Mania_, 3/13/15
The Taste of Sunrise Directed by Wendy Lement and Kristin Johson, centers around Tuc, a deaf boy navigating the stark world of the Midwest in Ware, Illinois. It takes audiences through the childhood fever dreams that led to his deafness, the language he has created with his father and his discovery of sign language at his deaf school. The performance examines the intricacies of love, loss, and language experienced by one family.

An inclusive message from 'The Taste of Sunrise'
_The Boston Globe_, 3/16/15
With the production of The Taste of Sunrise, Wheelock offers a tasteful model for mixing together the deaf and the hearing — onstage, backstage, and in the audience — to create an entertainment that is coherent to each and panders to neither.

Students in the News

O'Neil continues to grab the accolades
_Tewksbury Town Crier_, 3/14/15
Wheelock College sophomore Michelle Woods earned NECC postseason honors, as announced by the conference last week. Woods, last year's NECC Rookie of the Year, was able to earn herself a spot on the 5-person first team.

Newton Resident Serves as 2015 Wheelock College Policy Fellow
_Newton Patch_, 3/16/15
Alanna Schonfeld is a Master in Social Work student at Wheelock College, and this semester she is also one of nine students in the Student Policy Fellows Program working at the Massachusetts State House. Schonfeld said, “Both my education at Wheelock and my internship have helped me gain a different perspective,” “My vote is the way that I effect change from the bottom up, and my work in the State House demonstrates the possibility to make improvements from the top down.”

_Martha's Vineyard Native Leading Sustainability Student Initiatives at Wheelock College_
_Martha’s Vineyard Patch_, 3/25/15

https://t.e2ma.net/message/op5tr/yn5nznd
Dedicated to improving the lives of children and families, Ryan Antolick, a junior at Wheelock College majoring in Environmental Studies with Sustainability minor, is sharing his passion for sustainability thought out the College.

Watertown names in the news: Ryan Renzella
Watertown Wicked Local, 3/29/15
Watertown native Ryan Renzella is a graduate student in the Master of Social Work and Master of Science in Nonprofit Leadership dual degree program at Wheelock College, and this semester he is one of nine students in the Student Policy Fellows Program working at the Massachusetts State House.

Staff in the News

One more reason to hire a veteran
AmericanTowns, 3/18/15
Jerome McKoy, an employee from Wheelock College’s Dining Services by Sodexo and United States Army Veteran with more than twenty years of service, walked from a VA shelter nearly three miles away from campus despite blizzard conditions, never late or missing one scheduled shift.

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