

# Women's Studies Newsletter

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**CALL FOR PAPERS**  
*ANNOUNCEMENT*  
**CONFERENCE ON FEMINIST SCHOLARSHIP**

On Saturday, April 15, 2000, the **Women's Studies Program at The College of William and Mary**, in conjunction with Friends of Women's Studies at Old Dominion University, is sponsoring the 10th annual conference on feminist scholarship to be held at the College of William and Mary.

As with the highly successful conferences held at Old Dominion University in the past and last year's conference here at William and Mary, this will be an opportunity for feminist scholars and creative writers from across the region to come together to share and discuss their current research and work. "Work in Progress" is an unjuncted conference that provides a supportive milieu for people to share their various ideas and research relating to women. Although the conference has no overall theme, we especially encourage submissions this year on "women's studies and/or

feminism in the millennium" and on feminist pedagogy.

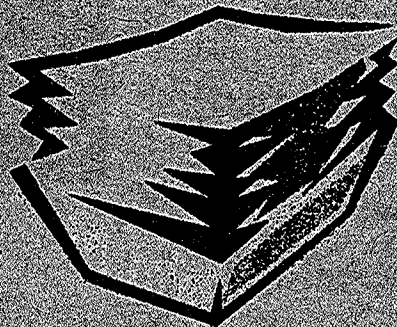
**Prospective participants should submit a one-page proposal by February 29, 2000.** Everyone who submits a proposal will be placed on the program. The proposals will be used to organize the papers into sessions. When

submitting your proposal, please specify your audiovisual needs. For more information, you may contact Dr. Leisa Meyer at (757) 221-

2453 or [ldmeyer@wm.edu](mailto:ldmeyer@wm.edu) or Karen Hayes the Women's Studies Program Secretary at (757) 221-2457 or [kghaye@wm.edu](mailto:kghaye@wm.edu).

The proposals should be sent to:

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### Feminist Student Organization Updates

The Feminist Student Organization is gearing up for the semester. FSO plans to include the following into their repertoire of activities: panel discussions, debates with other organizations, participation in the Feminist Majority's Feminist Expo

2000, the annual Take Back the Night rally, and much, much more!

FSO will continue to have business meetings alternating with discussions on **Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in Blair 228**, 2000.

For questions, com-

ments or suggestions, please contact Kate Bowerman, co-coordinator, x6229, [kgbowe@wm.edu](mailto:kgbowe@wm.edu) or Susan Marshall, co-coordinator, x4248, [ssmars@wm.edu](mailto:ssmars@wm.edu)

### Featured Web Site

**William and Mary's Women's Studies Official Web Site**

Fans of William and Mary's official women's studies web site can now enjoy several recently added features: a Women's Studies Announcements page where campus news and

events are posted and updated frequently, a Women's Studies Message Board where people can post comments or question, and a search engine which lets you search the Women's Studies

pages or the Internet. Check out these features today!

[www.wm.edu/FAS/ws/](http://www.wm.edu/FAS/ws/)

### A Focus on this Month's HERstory

For more test questions, visit the National Women's History Project at [www.nwhp.org](http://www.nwhp.org)

**Q:** Who printed the first copy of the Declaration of Inde-



pendence that included the signers' names?

**A:** Mary Katherine Goddard (1738-1816), newspaper publisher, had such a strong reputation in the

colonies that when Congress fled to Baltimore in 1776 they trusted her with the revolutionary task of printing their treasonous document. Goddard risked arrest by the British when she included her own name as printer.

## **NARAL Internships**

**Paid Internships at nation's largest pro-choice advocacy group**

NARAL is the nation's largest pro-choice advocacy group. NARAL lobbies for reproductive health issues including safe and legal abortion, better sexuality education, more effective contraceptive methods, access to prenatal care, and healthy child-bearing. NARAL also researches these issues and provides information to colleges and universities, the media, and state and federal legislators.

### **JOB DESCRIPTION: Political Action Committee Intern**

The NARAL Political Department's PAC Intern is responsible for the following:

- ◆ Dissemination of candidate questionnaires to Senate and Congressional candidates
- ◆ Assist in researching positions of federal candidates on Choice issues
- ◆ Work with state affiliates to implement national grassroots organizing plan
- ◆ Assist in tracking status of federal campaigns nationwide
- ◆ Assist in fulfillment of Federal Election Commission PAC reporting requirements
- ◆ Other duties as assigned by the PAC Manager

All candidates must have an interest in the Political Department's work, good communications, organizational and writing skills, and a commitment to NARAL's mission.

### **JOB DESCRIPTION: Training and Outreach Intern**

The NARAL Political Department's Training and Outreach Intern is responsible for the following:

- ◆ Serve as primary contact for training participants;
- ◆ Work closely with Training and Outreach Manager to coordinate on-site logistics for local trainings;
- ◆ Assist in the preparation and dissemination of training materials;
- ◆ Research strategic outreach opportunities;
- ◆ Assist in maintaining program records;
- ◆ Other duties as assigned by the Training and Outreach Manager

The Training and Outreach Intern works closely with members of The NARAL Training Team and NARAL Affiliate leaders. All



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### **NARAL Internships** (continued)

candidates must have an interest in the Political Department's work; good communications, organizational and writing skills; computer skills and a commitment to NARAL's mission.

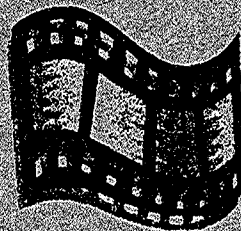
All interns must be computer literate, organized and work well with others. Each NARAL intern has his or her own desk and computer access. Compensation includes travel stipend for those interns earning credit and hourly compensation for all others. Hours are negotiable.

NARAL is a non-smoking office and an equal opportunity employer.

Send resume and cover letter with dates and times available for work to Cheryl Paysinger, Political Assistant, NARAL, 1156 15th Street, NW, 7th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005, fax to 202/973-3097 or email to [cpaysinger@naral.org](mailto:cpaysinger@naral.org)

### **Announcing A Film Series!**

This series is run through the Film Society and was designed around women in film.



The film viewings are held every Friday at 10 pm in Tucker 120.

Contact information:  
Heather Anne Phillips  
at [KnriRthMln@aol.com](mailto:KnriRthMln@aol.com)

#### **Film Series Schedule:**

- ◆ Jan 28 *Adam's Rib*
- ◆ Feb 4 *Raise the Red Lantern*
- ◆ Feb 11 *Blue*
- ◆ Feb 18 *The Scent of Green Papaya*
- ◆ Feb 25 *A Woman's Face*
- ◆ Mar 17 *Norma Rae*
- ◆ Mar 24 *Babette's Feast*
- ◆ Mar 31 *Sense and Sensibility*
- ◆ Apr 7 *Juliet of the Spirits*
- ◆ Apr 14 *Devi*
- ◆ Apr 21 *Notorious* (Shown as the second part of the film society's traditional Hitchcock double-feature. Rope will be shown at 8pm)
- ◆ Apr 28 *Secrets of Women*

## Announcements from Students

It's time once again for Virginia's Pro-choice majority to head to Richmond for Pro-Choice Lobby Day! In the past few years, we have seen an alarming willingness on the part of politicians in Richmond to play politics with women's lives. This year more than ever time has come to send a clear message to our elected officials. They must be reminded that Virginia is a pro-choice state, and we will not tolerate laws written to make abortion dangerous or more difficult to obtain.

William and Mary undergraduate **Nikole Lewis** is helping get a group of William and Mary students together, so contact her at [nelewi@wm.edu](mailto:nelewi@wm.edu).

Correspondence Secretary of the W&M Young Democrats and member of the Feminist Student Organization, **Jennifer Price**, is trying to organize a group from William and Mary to attend the Feminist Expo 2000 sponsored by the Feminist Majority Foundation in Baltimore, Maryland March 31-April 2. Visit the expo web site at [www.feminist.org/expo2000/expo2000.html](http://www.feminist.org/expo2000/expo2000.html)

Please contact Jennifer Price at [jprice@hotmail.com](mailto:jprice@hotmail.com) for further details about joining the group.

## Looking for Some Real-World Experience?

**Internship awards are available**

**Carol Woody Internship awards** are available for students seeking real world experience to complement their studies. The awards are available for students interested in doing an internship over Spring Break. Applicants are asked to submit a one-page description of where they will spend their internship, why they chose this particular internship, and what they hope to gain from their experience. Please include an estimate of expenses.

Applications are due in Women's Studies office (322 Morton Hall) by Friday, February 11, 2000. For more details, call 221-2457.





## Pro-Choice Public Education Project

### Website Internship Announcement

#### Description

The Pro-Choice Public Education Project (PEP) is a national collaborative of 47 pro-choice organizations dedicated to educating and energizing young women about issues of reproductive choice. PEP is the only pro-choice coalition in the United States dedicated exclusively to conducting pro-choice messages, public education materials, and activities targeted at young women.

PEP is seeking a competent and reliable website intern to manage our award-winning website, [www.protectchoice.org](http://www.protectchoice.org). The site serves as a reverse funnel to the pro-choice community and provides articles on topics relevant to young women's lives, a threaded discussion page, an anonymous survey, and a question and answer center.

#### Responsibilities

Website Intern duties will include:

- ◆ Regular updates of PEP's "What's New," "New Programs for You!" and on-line calendar pages.
- ◆ Maintenance of PEP's threaded discussion page, "PEP Talk."
- ◆ Periodic tallies of PEP's "About You" survey.

- ◆ Creation of on-line donor form.
- ◆ Tracking and reporting site usage.
- ◆ Execution of new concepts for website.
- ◆ Updates to other pages as needed.

#### Qualifications

Working knowledge of html (including ability to edit without a WYSIWIG editor), javascript, and perl. Applicant must also be detail oriented, able to work independently, and able to complete assignments in a timely fashion.

#### Location

PEP is located in Port Chester, New York (Westchester County), however, our website intern can work from any location that with internet access and website maintenance software.

#### Time Requirement & Salary

Minimum four month commitment, approximately 4 hours per week. PEP offers \$15 per hour or academic credit.

#### Contact

Taal McLean, Associate, Pro-Choice Public Education Project, 16 Willett Avenue, Port Chester, NY 10573-4326, [taaim@protectchoice.org](mailto:taaim@protectchoice.org) (email), 914-934-0148 ext. 2 (phone) or 914-934-0348 (fax).



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