

# Spring Lecture Series previewed

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A lecture series on controversy and change will be the focus of the Penn State Harrisburg 1992 Spring Lecture Series this semester.

The series features speakers who will discuss topics which have impact on our academic, professional and personal lives. The topics to be covered include gender equality, competitive management, scientific concerns and war on poverty.

Luanne Lawrence, acting director of community relations, said the material covered by the speakers will be important to everyone.

"The speakers' messages are far-reaching to the students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community," she said. "Whether the topics are conservative or not, the audience will decide how each topic appears to them."

The four lectures were chosen from numerous proposals from the PSH five academic units. A panel consisting of Lawrence, faculty and community members (including PSH staff), reviewed the proposals. Final selections were made by the panel and Ruth Leventhal, provost and dean.

The Spring Lecture series is free and open to the public. Lawrence said the series was designed to enhance student enrichment and community development. All lectures will also be televised on Sammons Cable channel 16. The series runs as follows:

**Gender Equality**, presented by Bernice Sandler, senior associate at the



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Center for Women Policy Studies, Washington, D.C., will be the first topic of the series. Sandler and a panel of legal, corporate and legislative experts on women's equality issues, will focus on sexual harassment on the campus and sexual harassment difficulties experienced by women in traditional male fields and environments.

The lecture will be held at 7 p.m. on Thurs., Feb. 13 in the Student Center in the Capital Union Building (CUB). An open session is also scheduled for that day and will be held from 2-2:30 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge.

**Competitive Management**, presented by Donald A. Curtis, a senior

partner at the New York firm of Deloitte and Touche, will be held at 7 p.m. Mar. 17 in the Student Center of the CUB. Curtis, author of Management Rediscovered, will focus his discussion on the fallacy of accounting numbers.

Curtis contends that reliance on numbers erodes competitive position. The discussion will also cover how information collection and operational policies must be directed to causal aspects of problems to strengthen competitive position.

**Scientific Concerns**, presented by Sharon E. Kingsland, associate professor in the history of science department at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins University, will be held at 7:30 p.m. Mar. 31 in the Student Center in the CUB. Kingsland, author of Modeling Nature, brings a sense of how the past, present and future can join to create a healthier, more productive environment.

Her discussion deals with the introduction of mathematical modeling techniques in population ecology.

**War on Poverty**, presented by William Wilson, Lucy Flower University Professor of Sociology and Public Policy, will focus his discussion on the need for a broader vision of the processes that affect a poor person's chance in life.

Wilson, author of The Declining Significance of Race: Blacks and Changing American Institutions, will address the importance of interrelating racial, economic, social context and cultural variables in explaining the experiences and social outcomes of inner-city residents.

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improve both abilities. Note-taking is an important factor to studying since students often refer to their notes for information.

The third session, to be held on Feb. 11, will concentrate on taking tests. Scheduled discussion topics are test anxieties and test-taking strategies.

Facilitators for the sessions use a discussion format, to give students an opportunity to bring difficulties, concerns and suggestions to the meetings.

Although the sessions are designed to build upon each other, students can attend one, two, or all three and still benefit, Meashey said.

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humanities division, painted a bleak picture of employment opportunities in newspapers.

He said that newspaper advertising has declined and many papers are going out of business. The result is "veteran reporters in competition with new graduates," he said.

"Some industry experts have expressed fears that we are losing a whole generation of journalists," he said. "They won't find jobs now and there are concerns they will leave the business."

Opportunities in radio seem stronger, he said.

Martz urged students not to lose hope.

"Just because a recruiter doesn't visit a campus, doesn't mean there are no jobs. If you have an interest in a particular area, make direct contact."

Martz said, the recession is a time for students to take a serious look at their career plans. One strategy is to choose graduate school if they can't find employment."

--Lee Ashton, Sharon Barris and Angie West contributed to this story.

## SUMMER RECREATION POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Positions available for students interested in providing a summer of recreation for blind and visually-handicapped children and adults.

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