



**COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND**  
The City University of New York

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beautiful campus.



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## CSI'S GLOBAL REACH

The majority of our students are from the New York metropolitan area. CSI also hosts students from—and sends students to study—all over the globe. We enable students to explore the traditions and modern realities of the world while viewing their homeland from another perspective. We've highlighted just a few of our international partnerships.

**Countries of origin /  
citizenship of CSI students**



**Countries where  
CSI students study abroad**



**Start Here**

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### Ecuador

Travel to South America either to Guayaquil, Ecuador's largest city on the Pacific coast, or to its capital city Quito, nestled high in the Andes at over 9,000 feet above sea level. Enroll in intensive Spanish language courses for the January winter session or summer sessions, or spend an academic semester abroad in either location. Both programs offer a great chance to immerse yourself in Ecuador's rich and diverse cultural heritage.





## Italy

Enjoy a semester or year of study abroad, or the short-term winter and summer course offerings at one of several Italian partner institutions. The programs include sites in Florence, Rome, Venice or the medieval walled city of Tuscania, about 60 miles north of Rome. Students select from a variety of courses taught in English in subjects ranging from studio arts and business to communications and intensive Italian language.

## China

Spend a semester or academic year in Nanjing, a provincial capital city of four million, or a winter or summer session in Shanghai, China's major commercial center and thriving metropolis. Enhance your Mandarin Chinese language skills and take a business, humanities or social science course taught in English. Live on campus in a Chinese student dormitory and enjoy the field trips and other cultural excursions included in either program.



# World Class Starts Here

WELCOME TO CSI



## WELCOME TO CSI.

We offer you a world of opportunity. A place where you can grow and thrive. A place where you can explore your interests, unlock your talents and find your path to a fulfilling and successful future.

A stimulating world moves through our campus. Bright, motivated students who come from all corners of the globe. A world-class faculty who inspire you to learn and make a personal investment in your education. Modern facilities equipped with the best learning technology. It's all here on our parklike campus, which happens to be part of the world's most vibrant metropolis.

The College of Staten Island is a senior college of The City University of New York. Our students and faculty tap into CUNY's vast educational and cultural resources to enrich their educational experience.

Take a closer look. Whether you are a high school senior considering your college options or an experienced member of the workforce looking to enhance your education, we have a program that works for you.

See why CSI is an excellent choice for students who want a great education at an affordable price. Learn how you can be part of this special place—the College of Staten Island.

Tomás D. Morales, PhD  
President



# Our Programs of

CSI HAS A PROGRAM THAT SUITS YOUR NEEDS.

Whatever your interests, CSI has a program that suits your needs.

We offer associate's, bachelor's and master's degree programs, as well as several doctoral programs in cooperation with the CUNY Graduate School and University Center.



Our wide range of programs allows you to pursue almost any career path. Choose from fields as varied as business, education, political science, pre-medicine, music, computer science and much more. We will help you connect and integrate all the courses you take in your undergraduate studies.

You start your CSI experience engaged in a well-rounded curriculum that serves as your springboard to more specialized areas of study. We offer majors in the sciences, humanities and the social sciences, and professional studies. Our undergraduates work with senior faculty on research projects and take part in international study programs. In all we do—in our classrooms, our labs and our fieldwork—we hold true to our focus on intellectual development.

We produce teachers, nurses and artists. We produce corporate leaders and entrepreneurs who carve distinctive paths across several fields. Wherever you want to go, we have the right academic program to take you there.

## THE SCIENCES

We offer science majors a world-class faculty, state-of-the-art laboratories and a proven record of success. Many of our science graduates have won awards at regional and national competitions and made distinctive contributions to their fields. Have an interest in physics, chemistry, biology or math? CSI has the program for you.

## THE HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Our history majors learn about the origin and development of every region of the world. Some students choose interdisciplinary majors such as African American Studies, American Studies, International Studies, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies.

Psychology and sociology majors conduct computer-based and real world research. Working closely with renowned faculty, they break new ground and forge new perspectives on the human experience.

Study the languages—English, French, Italian, Spanish or Chinese. Pursue philosophy, economics, music, art or drama.

# Study



## PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

CSI offers a diverse range of majors to prepare you for an exciting career in the business world. Specialize in accounting, finance, management or marketing. Major in international business, and study abroad and intern with global companies in Europe or South America.

Our highly competitive nursing program enables you to hone your skills in area hospitals. Among our nursing graduates, over 90 percent pass state licensing exams.

Want to share your passion with others? Our teaching program prepares students for careers in early childhood, elementary or adolescent education. Our education majors earn pass rates of 98 percent on state certification exams.



## UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

### ACCOUNTING

### AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

### AMERICAN STUDIES

### ART:

Art History/Studio Art  
Photography

### BIOCHEMISTRY

### BIOLOGY:

Bioinformatics

### BUSINESS:

Finance  
International Management  
Marketing

### CHEMISTRY

### CINEMA STUDIES:

Critical Studies  
Production

### COMMUNICATIONS:

Journalism  
Media Studies  
Design and Digital Media  
Corporate Communications

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

### COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

### DRAMATIC ARTS

### ECONOMICS:

Business  
Finance

### EDUCATION:

Early Childhood  
Childhood  
Adolescence

### ENGINEERING SCIENCE:

Computer  
Electrical  
Mechanical

### ENGLISH:

Dramatic Literature  
Linguistics  
Literature  
Writing

### HISTORY

### INFORMATION SYSTEMS

### INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

### LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

### MATHEMATICS:

Pure  
Applied Mathematics  
Preparation for Teaching

### MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

### MODERN CHINA STUDIES

### MUSIC:

Performing Arts  
Electrical Technology

### NURSING

### PHILOSOPHY

### PHYSICS

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

### PSYCHOLOGY

### SCIENCE, LETTERS AND SOCIETY

### SOCIAL WORK

### SOCIOLOGY-

ANTHROPOLOGY

### SPANISH

WOMEN'S, GENDER  
AND SEXUALITY STUDIES

## PRE-PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

### DENTISTRY

### LAW

### MEDICINE

### OPTOMETRY

### PHYSICAL THERAPY

### PODIATRY

## GRADUATE PROGRAMS

### BIOLOGY

### BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

CINEMA AND MEDIA  
STUDIES

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

### EDUCATION:

Childhood Education  
Adolescence Education  
Special Education  
Leadership in Education

### ENGLISH

### ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

### HISTORY

### LIBERAL STUDIES

MENTAL HEALTH  
COUNSELING

NEUROSCIENCE,  
MENTAL RETARDATION  
AND DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITIES

### NURSING



# Our Students

CSI STUDENTS SOJOURN FROM 80 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES  
OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.

Surround yourself with talented people. People who share your desire to learn and grow. People who bring different perspectives from around the world.

At CSI, you will experience that diversity—diversity in country of origin, ethnicity, interests and faiths. Students join us from over 80 countries outside the United States.

Learn about different cultures. Build new friendships. Join with fellow students in an extraordinary array of learning programs and extracurricular activities.

Experience the world right here on campus. Find your place in our tight-knit, global community.





## Profile

### Qimei Luo

Fourth Year | Communications

#### LIVING UP TO HER DREAMS

When Qimei Luo started her internship at the Downtown Community Television Center in Manhattan, she wasn't sure what to expect. Little did she know that she was about to begin work as a production assistant on a movie that would earn an Oscar nomination.

As an intern, Luo wrote English subtitles for Chinese narrative in the HBO documentary *China's Unnatural Disaster: The Tears of Sichuan Province*. The film, made in 2008, reported on the devastation left by an earthquake that killed 70,000 people in her home province.

Luo has reached out to her compatriots back home in other ways. Selling Chinese souvenirs, she has raised over \$2,000 that will be used to purchase books and clothes for her elementary school, which was razed by the earthquake.

A member of the Emerging Leaders Program at CSI, Luo takes part in student government, serves on the Campus Activity Board and belongs to several clubs.

"I have had wonderful support from the people here," Luo observes. "Robert Kee [her student leadership coordinator] helped me see the importance of reaching out and getting involved."

A Malave Leadership Academy fellow, Luo is a Dean's List student with a grade point average of 3.8. She is finishing up her undergraduate degree in Communications and plans to pursue a master's degree in Media Studies in the fall of 2011.

"I am very proud of my choice of schools," she says. "This is the place I should be. I am living up to my dreams."





## Profile

### Christine Rivera

Second Year | Teacher Education Honors Academy

#### MOTIVATED BY “NUMBERS WITH A DOT ON THEM”

Christine Rivera had only a fraction of interest in math until she took a class taught by Mrs. Trujillo in junior high school.

“Mrs. Trujillo got me going on math — she made everything seem simple,” Rivera says. “She referred to decimals as ‘numbers with a dot on them.’ She showed us how moving the dot could change the value so much. Her class was an epiphany for me. It all made sense.”

Rivera went on to excel in high school and earn a scholarship in the Teacher Education Honors Academy at CSI. At age 17 in her first semester at CSI, she student-taught at Curtis High School. In her first two years at CSI, Rivera went on to complete four internships at the junior high and high school levels. Through it all, she says, she has learned from teachers who excel and from those who don’t.

In one internship, Rivera was struck by the teacher’s effort to show off the good work of her students. This teacher put excellent work on the wall and hung projects from the ceiling.

“She encouraged students to be proud of their work,” recalls Rivera, a native of Puerto Rico. “You could see how that approach motivates kids to do better.”

In another classroom, Rivera noticed how the teacher gave out easy assignments.

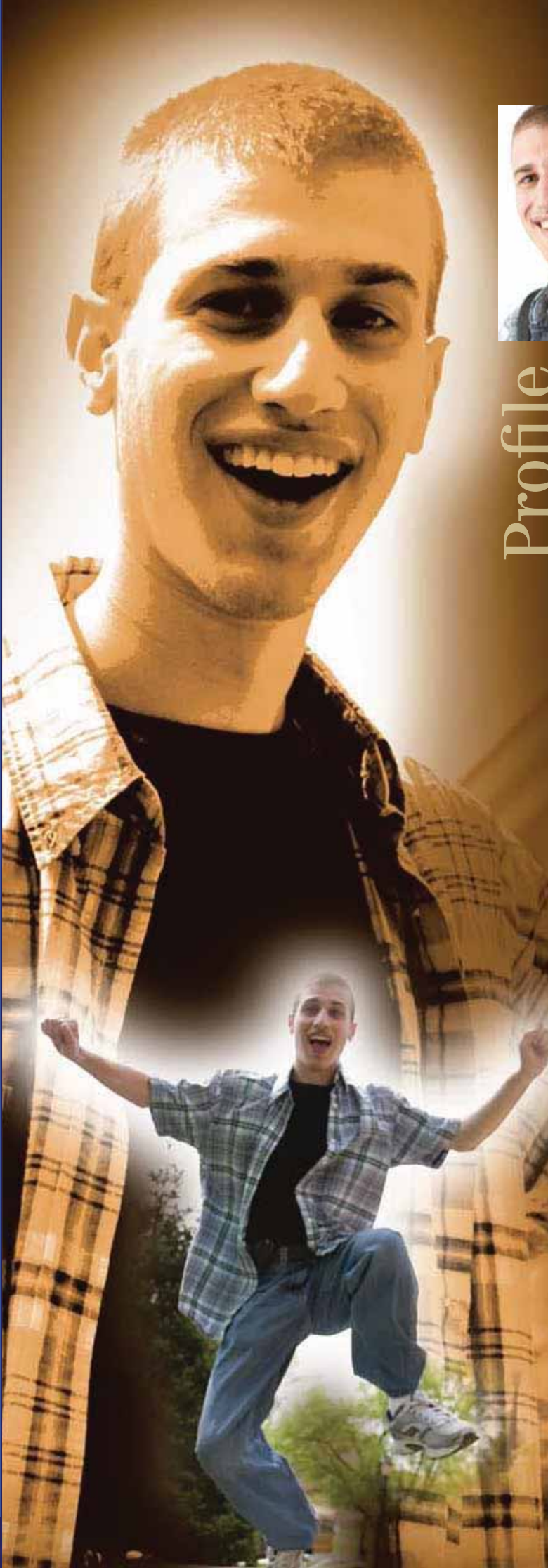
“She did not challenge her students, and she often belittled them,” Rivera states. “The teachers and students were always going at it. I learned then that I wanted to challenge my students. I would respect them, and by doing that I would earn their respect.”

Rivera commends the faculty and administrative leadership at CSI, singling out Dr. Jane Coffee, head of the CSI Teacher Academy, and her adviser, Marianne Orla.

She also puts stock in the friendships she made with other students in the Teacher Academy.

“It’s a great group,” she says. “We rely on each other. We hang out on and off campus. I really feel like we will be friends for life.”





## Profile

### Dan Feldman

Second Year | Macaulay Honors College

#### RESEARCH THAT'S OUT OF THIS WORLD

Dan Feldman is reaching for the sky—and finding it.

The summer after his freshman year, Feldman studied the evolution of galaxies as an intern at the American Museum of Natural History in Manhattan. Working alongside CSI astrophysics professor Charles Liu, he learned how galaxies interact, collide and merge as part of a Hubble Space Telescope Treasury program called COSMOS.

"I appreciate that Professor Liu was willing to take a leap of faith after having me for just one year in his classroom," says Feldman, who is a Macaulay Honors College student. Feldman is also developing his presentation and mentoring skills. A member of the CSI Math club, he recently gave two talks about physics to club members. He also serves as a tutor in calculus and physics classes.

"I've had the chance to tutor as many as seven students at a time," says Feldman, who carries a 3.9 grade point average. "Since I want to become a professor, I think it's good practice for down the road."

Feldman is confident that he chose the right school.

"CSI doesn't have the reputation it deserves," he says. "The professors are great, and I am getting so much out of my classes and my research opportunities. Had I gone somewhere else, I don't think I'd have the opportunities that I have here."

# Our Faculty

THE ESSENCE OF A WORD SPRINGS FROM ITS ROOTS.

“Education” comes from the Latin prefix “ex” or “out,” and the verb “ducere,” which means “to lead.” And so it means literally, “to lead out.”

Our faculty members are passionate about their role in the leadership process. They provide students with a rich and structured intellectual opportunity—and they do so with a dazzling array of methodologies.

At CSI, our world-class faculty do more than teach. They take a personal interest in your development. They mentor you. They partner with you on research projects. They help you shape your professional goals. They help you see what you can become, and how you can apply your talents in the work world.

Several members of our faculty have earned prestigious Guggenheim Awards. Many others have been honored for their exceptional teaching, research, artistic endeavors and other professional accomplishments.

“The scholarly pursuits of our faculty not only contribute to the intellectual capital of the world, they transform the lives of our students,” says Tomás D. Morales, President of CSI.

Our faculty are an inspired group, and they will inspire you to make the most of your college experience.

#### Clockwise from left to right:

Alan Zimmerman, PhD (Business), Derek Levine (International Studies), Fred Naider, PhD (Chemistry), Margaret Lunney, PhD (Nursing)

## Profile

### Dr. Ming Xia

PhD | Political Science

#### GO WEST, YOUNG MAN

Raised in China, Ming Xia always had an eye to the west. “I always believed in westernization,” says Xia, a professor of political science at CSI since 1997.

“My friends and I had big dreams. For us it was not just about surviving, but how we would change China.”

In 1989, Xia met trouble when he took part in a student movement protesting the central government. Worried about his future, he was approached by a







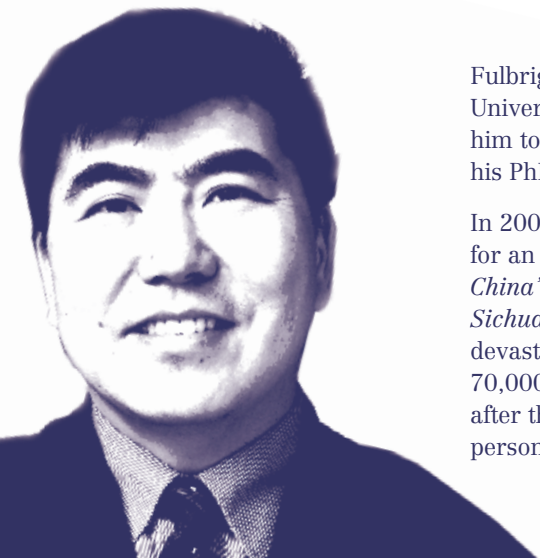
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—Dan Feldman | Second Year



We recruit young, ambitious PhDs from all over the world. The research is cutting edge. The classroom instruction is very competitive. I want my students to know they can compete. That is my ambition.

—Dr. Ming Xia | Political Science



Fulbright scholar visiting from Temple University in Philadelphia who persuaded him to move to the U.S. Xia went on to get his PhD in political science at Temple.

In 2008, Xia was part of a team nominated for an Oscar for the HBO documentary *China's Unnatural Disaster: The Tears of Sichuan Province*. The film documented the devastation left by an earthquake that killed 70,000 people in his hometown. Ten days after the earthquake, Xia joined the four-person crew on a trip to the area.

"It was heartbreaking to see all the devastation," recalls Xia, who served as translator and cultural guide. "I think of myself as the soul of this movie. It was a very moving experience."

Xia's primary interest is in the international political economy. He and his student researchers study compelling subjects such as drug trafficking, organized crime and the smuggling of young children.



## Profile

Richard Powers

PhD History

### **HISTORY AS SPORT: STUDENTS LEARN THROUGH COMPETITIVE REENACTMENTS.**

How do you get students to embrace history? For Professor Richard Gid Powers, it's all about fun and games.

Powers is founder of CSI's Reacting to the Past Academy, where students relive historic events in class as part of competitive teams. In one such game, "The Threshold of Democracy: Athens in 403 B.C.," students play Athenian citizens who meet in the assembly to write a constitution. True to history, students sacrifice a pig to start the meeting, although in this case it's a stuffed pig.

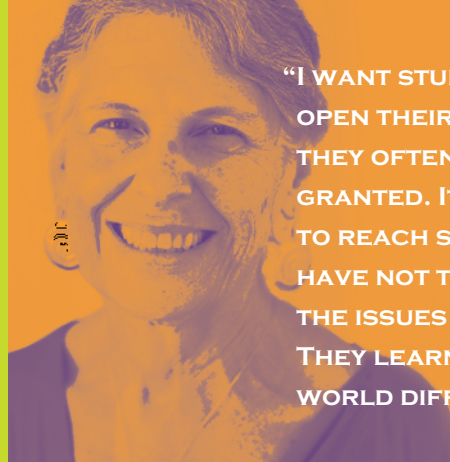
Students prepare for each game by reading a classic book from the era being studied. As they debate the critical issues of that era, they use quotes and passages from the book to fortify their arguments. Students are even encouraged to wear period costumes.

"The games bring out the competitive nature of students," Powers says. "When you make learning a game where two teams compete to win, students get emotionally and intellectually involved."

Few people are better equipped than Powers to bring the sweep of history into the classroom. A world-renowned scholar, Powers is best known for his expertise on American national security. Among his many books, Powers wrote *G-Men: Hoover's FBI in American Popular Culture*; *Not Without Honor: The History of American Anticommunism*; and *Broken: The Troubled Past and Uncertain Future of the FBI*.

As a Fulbright Professor, Powers has taught twice in Japan, and he has lectured in Germany, the Philippines, India and Korea. Today he devotes much energy to his role as co-director of the college's freshman general education program in American Issues, Institutions and Ideas. Powers and his fellow faculty members collaborated to write the book for that course.

"Our faculty is especially enthusiastic about teaching freshmen," Powers observes. "We try to give them a view of history that they have not seen before."



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## Profile

### Deborah Popper

PhD | Geography

#### POPPER PUTS GEOGRAPHY ON THE MAP

As Deborah Popper sees it, there is no better field for the intellectually curious than geography.

"Geography encompasses so many issues that help us to better understand how the world functions," says Popper, professor of geography and director of CSI's Macaulay Honors College Program. "Migration, immigration, environmental issues, risk analysis, the distribution of political power, what places look like—it's all part of our field."

Students who take geography classes at CSI apply what they learn over a broad array of careers. Aspiring teachers draw on geography to prepare them to teach high school social studies or elementary school education. CSI's geography classes are also a natural complement for students who major in international studies. Still others who want to pursue careers in sociology, environmental studies and the political sciences find value in these courses.

Popper herself has been at the forefront of the field. Her work on the future of the Great Plains set off a national debate that has carried on for decades. It also helped Popper earn the Paul P. Vouras Medal for outstanding work in regional geography from the American Geographical Society.



# Selective Programs

CSI'S ENHANCED EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Students with exceptionally strong academic credentials may apply for enrollment in one of our many selective programs.

## THE MACAULAY HONORS COLLEGE

THE MACAULAY HONORS COLLEGE AT CSI OFFERS ACADEMICALLY GIFTED STUDENTS AN EXTRAORDINARY UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE THROUGH THE COMBINED RESOURCES OF CUNY AND NEW YORK CITY.

### Profile

**MACAULAY**  
HONORS COLLEGE AT CUNY  
COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND

#### Brian Kateman

Third Year | Macaulay Honors College

#### KATEMAN SETS THE BAR HIGH

CSI junior Brian Kateman is studying biology and psychology with aspirations to be a professor of evolutionary biology and ecology. A Dean's List student in the Macaulay Honors College, Kateman says he values the opportunity to learn alongside his fellow Macaulay colleagues.

"We get to explore both science and the humanities in small, seminar-like settings," says the native of Staten Island. "It's an ideal learning environment."

A recipient of a Jeannette K. Watson Fellowship, Kateman has earned internships to guide his career development. Last summer he developed and executed a social media plan at Echoing Green, an organization that supports entrepreneurs who have innovative ideas for social change.

Kateman also has thrown himself into research. Working with Professor Shaibal Mitra, he has studied the migration patterns of Gray Catbirds. "Our hope is to determine the degree to which climate change might be affecting the birds' northward expansion," he says.

Away from the classroom, Kateman serves as a peer educator for the Health and Wellness Center, advising students on how to live a healthy lifestyle.



## TEACHER EDUCATION HONORS ACADEMY

THE TEACHER EDUCATION HONORS ACADEMY  
IS DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS WITH A PASSION  
FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE.

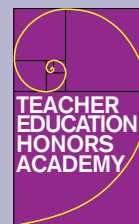
Its purpose is to educate a new generation of exceptional teachers who will inspire enthusiasm for science and mathematics in middle and high school students. The program offers four-year scholarships for qualified students and the opportunity for the Robert Noyce Scholarship (\$11,000 per year) for qualifying college juniors and seniors. Other benefits include internships to work with high school and middle school students and the opportunity to study with exceptional faculty in science and mathematics.



## Profile

### Raechel Strobel

Third Year | Teacher Education  
Honors Academy



#### STROBEL EXCELS IN CLASS, ON THE DIAMOND

As she finishes her junior year at CSI, Raechel Strobel has a running start on her teaching career. This native of Staten Island has completed six teaching internships, including four at the high school level where she plans to teach.

"I've learned that successful teachers have their own style, and that I have to develop my own style," she says. "The key is to prepare well and make lessons interesting for your students."

A member of the Teacher Education Honors Academy, Strobel says she is inspired by the teamwork she has seen among teachers in her most recent internships.

"Most teachers now collaborate with other teachers during their prep periods," she says. "It's a great way to learn from others and find new ways to improve your lessons."

A Dean's List student, Strobel recently received a scholarship award from the mathematics department at CSI. She credits Dr. Jane Coffee, director of CSI's Teacher Academy, for her guidance.

"Dr. Coffee expects a lot and gives even more," Strobel says. "You can tell she loves math, and as her student you're going to want to love it as much as she does."

Away from the classroom, Strobel excels as shortstop for the CSI softball team. A slick fielder who has hit over .367 this season, she was named a first-team selection on the CUNY all-star team.

"I like playing shortstop because you're always involved in the game," she remarks. "I get the chance to pick up the team and help us get through innings."



## THE STEAM PROGRAM

**SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EXPANSION VIA APPLIED MATHEMATICS (STEAM) IS A COMPREHENSIVE, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION—FUNDED PROGRAM THAT EXPANDS AND SUPPORTS UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION IN ALL AREAS OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS.**

The unifying theme of STEAM is Applied Mathematics: the ability to bring mathematical skills and quantitative modeling to all fields of science and technology.

The goal of STEAM is to make more students aware of the opportunities offered by an interdisciplinary, professionally-oriented science education, and to support them through the entire arc of their academic experience. The program offers participating students a better experience in their introductory mathematics courses by stressing the applicability of mathematics to many interesting real-world questions. For non-math majors it aims to teach them how to use their mathematical knowledge in their field of interest. For this purpose, STEAM supports activities such as curriculum development, undergraduate research, seminars, etc.

## Profile

### Eric Rios-Doria

Fourth Year | The STEAM Program

#### SENIOR JOINS PRESTIGIOUS SUMMER MEDICAL PROGRAM

A double major in chemistry and mathematics, senior Eric Rios-Doria will take part in the University of Graz in Austria summer research program. He will conduct biomedical research, shadow a physician-scientist and be exposed to many facets of physician training.

Rios-Doria transferred to CSI in 2007 and has felt at home ever since.

"I've found so many more opportunities here," he says. "I've attained invaluable skills both inside the classroom and laboratory and outside."

Soon after his arrival at CSI, Rios-Doria began conducting research in chemistry with Professor Krishnaswami Raja.

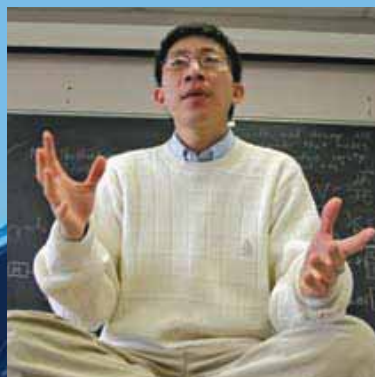
"Dr. Raja has taught me how to become a better researcher," says the student, who has presented his research at local and national conferences.

Under Raja's lead, Rios-Doria has embarked on an independent project in which he is working to synthesize a liquid crystal that will have photovoltaic applications.

"An example of such an application," he explains, "would be the cost-effective use of solar cells. It looks very promising and should provide exciting results."







**CHARLES LIU, PHD**  
Engineering Science and Physics  
Director of the Verrazano School.

## THE VERRAZANO SCHOOL

**THE VERRAZANO SCHOOL AT CSI IS A SELECTIVE, FOUR-YEAR BACCALAUREATE HONORS PROGRAM THAT OFFERS MOTIVATED AND TALENTED STUDENTS A UNIQUE HIGH-QUALITY UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE.**

The Verrazano School offers smaller classes, constructive contact with full-time faculty and personalized academic advisement. In addition, career preparation and academic, social and cultural learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom offered through Verrazano help contribute to a positive, memorable and valuable college experience.

## Profile

### Deryn Cro

Second Year | The Verrazano School



#### **MAKING A HOME AWAY FROM HOME**

When she arrived on campus from her hometown of Clinton, New Jersey, Deryn Cro knew no one. As a member of the Verrazano School, however, she joined a tight-knit community of exceptional students.

“Being from out of state, I didn’t know anyone from Staten Island,” recalls Cro, a Dean’s List student. “The Verrazano program has been a great way for me to connect and make friends.”

Designed for high-performing students, the Verrazano School guides students on career exploration, internships, community service and opportunities to study abroad. Cro is pursuing a double major in History and English with a minor in Art History. Among the classes she has especially enjoyed is History 320, which delves into the Middle East and Europe.

“We have great discussions and everyone participates,” the sophomore says. “I walk out of that class every day feeling like I’ve learned something new.”

Outside of class, Cro has thrown herself into all that CSI offers.

“I love it here,” Cro remarks. “Coming from New Jersey, I didn’t know much about the school. The academics are great and the people are so helpful. My Verrazano adviser, Katie Geschwendt, will go to the edge of the earth to help me.”

# Our Alumni

ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST

At CSI, we measure our success by the success of our graduates. Our alumni are frontrunners in the arts and sciences. First-rate academicians and schoolteachers. Doctors and nurses. Corporate leaders and entrepreneurs. Add your name to the list.



## Zaghloul Ahmed

Dr. Ahmed has your back.

Dr. Zaghloul Ahmed is devoting his career to making life easier for those who suffer spinal cord injuries. An assistant professor in CSI's physical therapy department, Ahmed brings a panoramic view to his work as a teacher, scholar and practicing clinician.

"I teach what I do. My goal is to take the science from my lab and the experience of my patients and link the two together," says Ahmed, who joined the CSI faculty in 2006 after earning his doctorate in Neuroscience at the CUNY Graduate Center.

Much of Ahmed's lab work centers on experiments he conducts on mice, through which he aims to discover treatments that can be applied to humans. He has applied for three patents on treatment methods that he hopes will promote functional recovery for those with spinal cord injuries.

A prodigious researcher, Ahmed has published nine papers over the last three years, all in leading publications such as the *Journal of Neurotrauma* and the *Bioelectromagnetic Journal*. In one recent paper, he reported on a new treatment strategy that combines spinal cord magnetic stimulation with acrobatic forms of exercise.

"This strategy was remarkably effective in improving functional recovery in the lab," Ahmed states.

Ahmed adds that he is pleased to see so many talented students join the ranks at CSI.

"The quality of students in our department keeps getting better," observes this native of Egypt. "This year we admitted twenty candidates from a pool of eighty-five highly qualified candidates. We are getting the best of the best."



## Kelly Levano

After biochemistry, the light goes on for Levano.

A single class set Kelly Levano on her life course.

After she earned her undergraduate degree in biology from CSI in 2003, Levano wanted to continue her studies but was unsure of which field to choose. When she took a graduate class in biochemistry from Dr. Probal Banerjee, all doubt was removed.

"Everyone said biochemistry was really hard but the way Professor Banerjee taught it, he made it easy and fun to learn," says this native of Peru. "He not only gives you the material, he helps you understand what it means."

Encouraged by Banerjee, Levano set out to earn her PhD at CUNY. She completed her doctorate in 2009 while working in Banerjee's lab on the CSI campus. That same year she won the prestigious Horst Schulz Award in Biochemistry, earned in



part for her research on finding a cure for brain cancer cells.

Levano now works as a post-doctoral research associate at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, where she sees Nobel Prize winners and other leaders present their findings.

Reflecting on her academic career, Levano gives credit to her mentors at CSI.

"The professors are always there to help guide you," she says. "I learned that there is no reason to be afraid. People here want to help you. They want you to do well."



### Richard Prinzi Jr.

*The more Prinzi gives, the more he gets back.*

CSI alumnus Richard Prinzi Jr. is a serial giver. But as much as he has contributed to CSI, Prinzi says he gets much more in return.

"I have found that I can't give enough to CSI, because the more I give, the more the school gives back to me," remarks Prinzi, founder and president of the accounting firm Prinzi and Tapinis LLC. "The more effort I put into making CSI a better place, the more rewarding my life and career become."

Prinzi recently created a \$25,000 scholarship endowment to help CSI students earn their Certified Public Accountant certification. He has taught as an adjunct instructor at CSI since 1997. His firm routinely hires CSI students as interns and as full-time employees. In fact, 39 of the firm's 40 employees are CSI graduates, including his business partner, John Tapinis.

Prinzi's loyalty to CSI is rooted in his experience there as a student.



### Muriel Howard

*Howard rises to the top.*

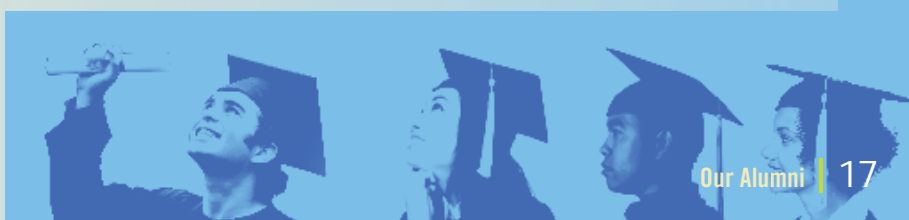
Muriel Howard knows that a little inspiration can go a long way. While completing her undergraduate degree at Richmond College, a predecessor of CSI, Dr. Howard was contemplating her career path. That's when her adviser, Brian Sherman, encouraged her to go to graduate school.

Emboldened by her mentor's words, Howard went on to enroll in a graduate program at the University of Buffalo. Forty years later, she holds one of the most important positions in higher education in America, having been elected president of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

At Buffalo, Howard earned her master's in Elementary and Remedial Education and her doctorate in Education, all while working full time at the university. Howard stayed at the university for 23 years before moving onto Buffalo State College, where she rose to president.

Reflecting on her life, Howard says her time at Richmond College inspired her to a career in public service.

"We had an extremely talented faculty that came from some of the most prestigious schools in the country," she recalls. "I vividly remember several research experiences that influenced my life and my career decisions."



# Athletics

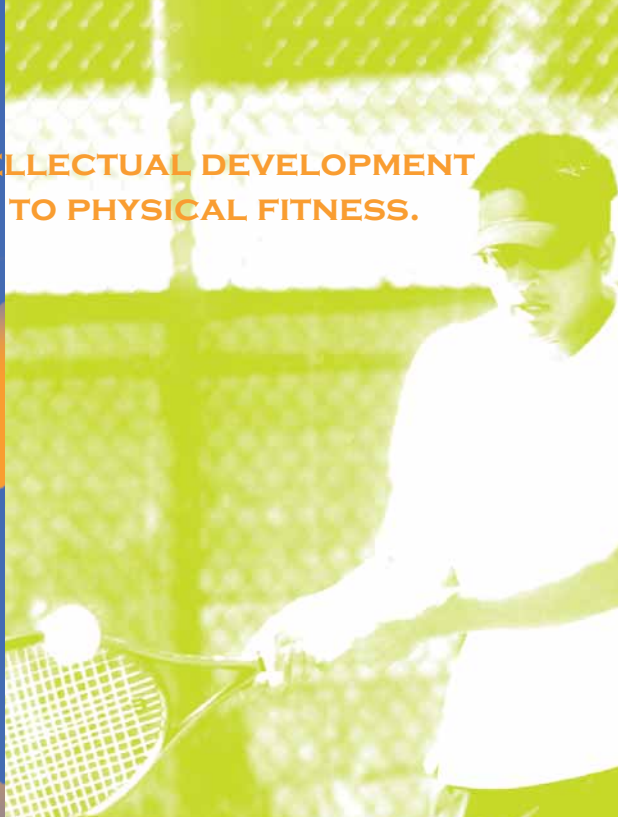
CSI MATCHES ITS COMMITMENT TO INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT  
WITH AN EQUALLY ROBUST DEDICATION TO PHYSICAL FITNESS.

Students are encouraged to try out for CSI's NCAA III intercollegiate sports teams, which compete in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) and the CUNY Athletic Conference (CUNYAC).

Our athletic teams have won over 70 CUNYAC titles and some notable ECAC titles, such as the women's basketball team's championship and women's softball playoffs in 2009.

Opened in 1995, our state-of-the-art Sports and Recreation Center features a gymnasium and 1,200-seat arena, eight-lane swimming pool, indoor batting cages, fitness centers, training stations and glass racquetball courts. Adjacent outdoor facilities include domed tennis courts, a 2,500-seat baseball complex and new softball and soccer fields for practice and competition.

We also offer a wide range of intramural athletic programs. From our intercollegiate teams, to our intramural events and our exceptional facilities, we serve every athletic interest.







**Pavel Buyanov** is CSI's first NCAA National Champion. Buyanov captured the gold medal in both the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke events in 2008, breaking a 1999 NCAA record in the 100-yard race in the process.

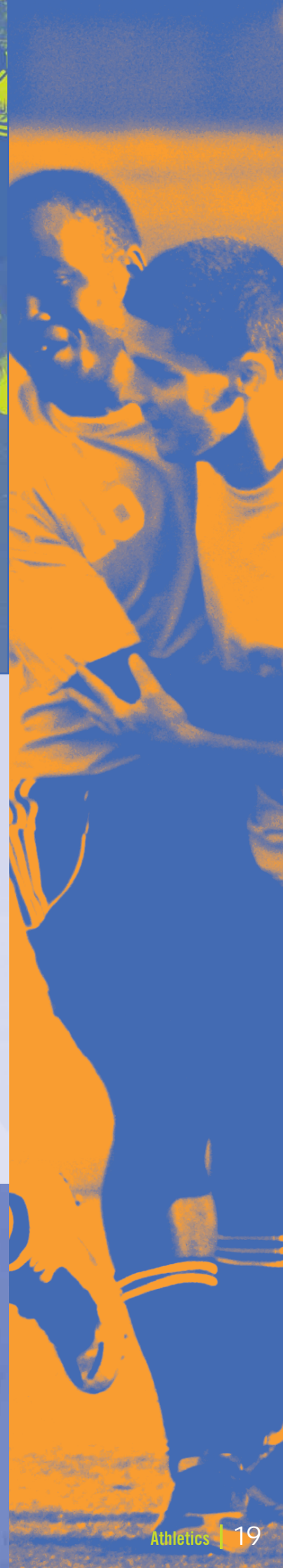


#### **WOMEN'S VARSITY SPORTS**

**BASKETBALL  
CROSS COUNTRY  
SOCCER  
SOFTBALL  
SWIMMING/DIVING  
TENNIS  
VOLLEYBALL**

#### **MEN'S VARSITY SPORTS**

**BASKETBALL  
BASEBALL  
CROSS COUNTRY  
SOCCER  
SWIMMING/DIVING  
TENNIS**



# Our Campus

A SMALL-TOWN FEEL, WITHIN THE WORLD'S GREATEST CITY.

CSI students experience the best of all worlds. Our picturesque 204-acre campus boasts a great lawn, athletic fields, and sculpture and seating areas, all surrounded by mature woodlands. Fourteen buildings house classrooms, laboratories, instructional spaces, study lounges and offices.

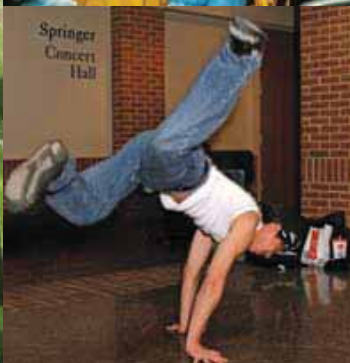




CSI's Center for the Arts is the premiere cultural arts and performance space on Staten Island.



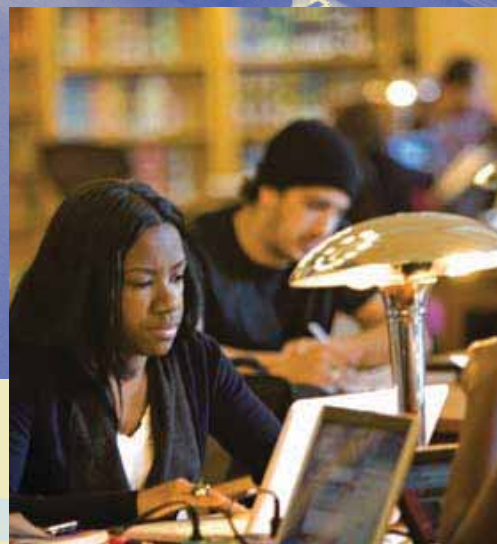
The CFA's Springer Concert Hall and the Broadway-style Williamson Theatre present many New York City premieres from national touring companies and international artists. Performers who recently appeared at the Center include Grammy award winner Michelle Branch, Joan Rivers and performers from Amateur Night at the Apollo. The Center also plays host to Shakespearean, operatic and symphonic performances.



Art, music and drama students practice their crafts in this extraordinary center, which also includes a recital hall, an experimental theater, lecture halls and an art gallery.







## **LIBRARY**

Our library offers you the resources to learn and explore in a quiet, comfortable setting. The building houses five central services: a study center for the campus community; a broad collection of books and journals in the liberal arts and sciences; computer facilities; online services and databases that serve as points of access to informational resources beyond the library.

Tap into over 200,000 volumes, 800 titles in microform, 2,000 videos and films, nearly 100 online databases and much more. Read over 1,100 journals and 27 of the world's leading newspapers. Gain online access to the university's extensive resources. Explore

our computer lab and an artifacts room. It's a great place to work on your own or to collaborate on team projects in quiet meeting rooms.

Our library's Media Services team serves a large number of classrooms equipped with LCD projectors, plasma monitors and Smart Classroom technology. Media Services also operates the Videoconferencing Lab, manages the Student Laptop Loan Program, and oversees the Center for Excellence in Learning Technology (CELT), which assists faculty in using technology to promote better learning.



# RESEARCH

## **CENTERS FOR SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION**

Our campus houses more than 70 advanced science laboratories. Professors and students use state-of-the-art equipment to conduct cutting-edge research.

## **ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY**

See the stars and the planets as you have never seen them before through the computer-controlled telescope in our 16-foot domed observatory. The observatory is recognized by the International Astronomical Union as an official asteroid tracking station. Explore the craters of the moon, the rings of Saturn, the moons of Jupiter and the surface features of Mars.

## **NEW FUNDING ENHANCES CUNY HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING FACILITY**

The National Science Foundation has provided \$1.3 million in grants to expand the capacity and power of the City University of New York's High-Performance Computing Center (HPCC) located on the CSI campus. The grants will fund new supercomputers that will support faculty research and provide enhanced educational opportunities for students at CSI and across the CUNY system.

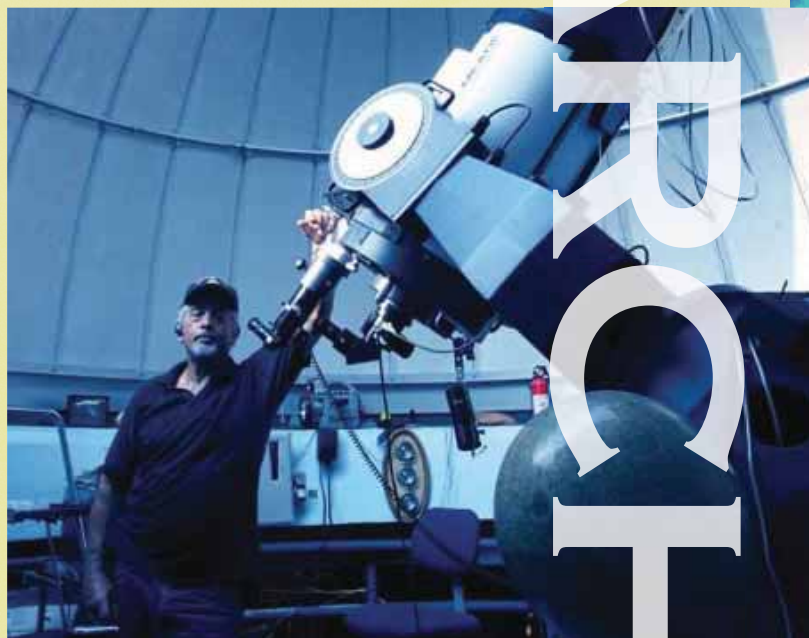
CSI researchers are using the HPCC supercomputers to analyze transportation systems in an effort to reduce traffic congestion and energy consumption.

"The addition of the new supercomputers makes the center the largest, most capable academic research computing facility in the City of New York," observes Dr. Michael Kress, Vice President for Technology Systems at CSI and Executive Director of the HPCC. "We are now able to recruit new researchers to CSI and to better prepare our students for their future careers in science, engineering and mathematics."

The grants will also enable the construction of an Interdisciplinary High-Performance Computing Center, a 170,000 square-foot facility to be located at CSI. The facility is expected to attract computational scientists from around the globe to CSI and CUNY.

In a related initiative, Congressional leaders have submitted a request that would provide an additional \$2.5 million to CSI. That funding would enable CSI to continue to bring together leading transportation experts, economists, social scientists, mathematicians and computer scientists to develop advanced methods for innovative analysis of critical issues in transportation.

The supercomputers are also being used to drive advancements in health care and environmental management. Researchers at CUNY's New York City College of Technology are using the HPCC computers at CSI to develop more accurate models of the heart in an effort to develop improved treatments for heart disease. Researchers at CUNY's Cooperative Remote Environment Sensor Technology Center are using the systems to analyze air pollution over New York and along coastal areas.





# Campus Life

WE OFFER YOU A WIDE RANGE OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES TO ENRICH YOUR COLLEGE EXPERIENCE.

## CAMPUS CENTER

Relax, eat and find out what's happening around campus. Choose from an array of culinary options and enjoy our spacious cafeteria. Visit the bookstore, the health center or the study lounge. The Center also is home to the student-run radio station, WSIA FM 88.9, and to the College's many student organizations, student government, publications and much more.

## CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

At CSI, our Office of Student Life gives students many opportunities to pursue their personal interests. Joining a club or an organization is a great way to meet other people who share your interests. Our students operate more than 50 clubs and organizations, from cultural groups to student publications and religious clubs.

Interested in politics? Run for student government. Like to write? CSI produces several student-run publications, from the student newspaper to literary and political journals. Practice your reporting skills, try your hand as a columnist or refine your editing talent.

## THE EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM

The Office of Student Life also provides opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills. The Emerging Leaders Program is a selective and competitive program that promotes leadership, excellence and individuality through a series of structured workshops, experiential programs and service projects focused on leadership skills, collaboration, civic engagement, goal setting and planning.







### **SPORTS AND RECREATION CENTER**

Students engage in a broad range of indoor and outdoor fitness activities. This facility features five racquetball courts, two gyms, a fitness center and an eight-lane swimming pool. Outside, you can enjoy tennis, basketball and handball courts; a track; and soccer, baseball and softball fields.

### **NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**

This office offers many services to help you get comfortable in your new surroundings. CSI's College Life Unit Experience Program encourages you to explore campus life beyond the classroom. Depending on your interest, you may choose an aerobics class, a lecture by a visiting professor or a jazz performance. It's a great way to fulfill your orientation requirement.

## **Finding your way**



We offer many services to help you make the most of your education.

### **THE HUB**

The Hub is where you go to get answers to any questions about your college experience. Staff members are available to give you the personal help you need on most administrative matters.

The Hub also maintains information screens located in the North Administration Building atrium, enabling you to keep current on all activities around campus.

### **THE SEEK PROGRAM**

SEEK is designed for students who can benefit from enhanced academic support and financial assistance. The program provides access to college and promotes academic success and personal achievement through an array of counseling and other support services. SEEK staff members are dedicated to helping students reach their highest level of success, both academically and professionally.

### **DISABILITY SERVICES**

Our Office of Disability Services helps students with documented disabilities to make the most of their on-campus experience. Priority registration, tutoring and a computer resource center featuring adaptive equipment are just a few of the services we provide.

### **INTERNATIONAL STUDY**

There is no better way to learn about the world than to experience it firsthand. Our Center for International Service builds partnerships with institutions around the world, enabling our students to take part in a wide range of study-abroad programs. The Center administers programs in Italy, Greece, Ecuador, China, Denmark and many more countries. Over 20 other overseas programs are available to students through our membership in the College Consortium for International Studies and our participation in the CUNY/Paris and CUNY/Italy student exchange programs.

A Study Abroad Scholarship Fund assists qualified students who are motivated to enrich their learning through a semester abroad.

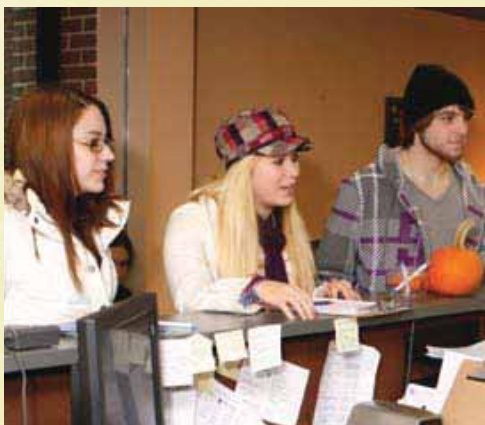
The Center also assists international students enrolled at CSI, primarily through the English Language Institute. CSI's China and Vietnam programs are also housed in the Center.

## **Admissions / Financial Aid**

### **ADMISSIONS**

Our Office of Recruitment and Admissions is ready to help you start your journey. The first step to becoming a CSI student is to file an application online to the City University of New York ([www.cuny.edu](http://www.cuny.edu)). You must submit official transcripts from all academic institutions you have attended.

If you have any questions about admissions or the application process, please call us at 718.982.2010 or email us at: [admissions@csi.cuny.edu](mailto:admissions@csi.cuny.edu)



## LAUNCHING YOUR CAREER

At CSI, our commitment extends beyond the classroom. We provide every opportunity for you to build on your experience to successfully start your career.

## INTERNSHIPS

Many CSI students enhance their college experience by securing internships. Internships offer you a chance to explore a profession, build a network and gain practical experience that complements your classroom learning.

Our Career and Scholarship Center is the place to begin your search. Check out our extensive database of opportunities. Review the many options you have for on-the-job training in your field of interest.

## CAREER SERVICES

Don't have a career goal? Our career counselors can help. We guide you through every stage of finding a job and building your career. Our team provides workshops and personal guidance on how to produce a winning résumé, network, interview and follow up.

Each year many companies visit our campus to recruit graduates. In recent years, our alumni have joined some of the world's leading enterprises—employers such as American Express, Deutsche Bank, OmniE Labs, Deloitte & Touche, Dow Jones, Sony Music, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Goldman Sachs, Con Edison, Lockheed Martin, Infinity Broadcasting, JPMorgan Chase, the U.S. Customs and Forbes, to name just a few.

## FINANCIAL AID

We offer a number of financial aid options to help students pursue their education, in the form of both loans and grants. Among our grant programs are the federal Pell and SEOG grants and the New York State Tuition Assistance Program. Our professionals can help you apply for financial aid. We will take you through the filing process in simple, easy-to-follow steps.

If you are interested in receiving federal financial aid, including student loans, you must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You are encouraged to do so immediately after you apply for admission. This will ensure that you receive your award by the time you begin classes.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The College of Staten Island offers comprehensive scholarship programs that recognize academic excellence and college or community service. Scholarships are offered directly by the College, the CSI Foundation and departments and associations of the College.

In addition, generous individuals and organizations have endowed Memorial Scholarships. Our scholarships support, in varying ways, the education of CSI students.

Our newly funded STEAM project provides scholarships for students studying math and science.

Application forms and information about scholarships are available from the Career and Scholarship Center and from department and student services offices. Applications may also be found online at [www.csi.cuny.edu/career](http://www.csi.cuny.edu/career)





# The College of Staten Island Campus



Free CSI shuttle bus  
to and from the  
Staten Island Ferry

## CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS (PARTIAL LISTING)

Accounting Club  
All Ways a Woman  
American Society for  
Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Club  
Armed Forces Club  
Art Club  
The Banner  
Campus Activities Board (CAB)  
Cardinal Newman Club  
Chemistry Club  
Chess Club  
Chi Alpha Christian Club  
Colleges Against Cancer  
College Voice  
Computer Club  
Debate Club  
Delta Delta Club  
Design & Digital Media Club  
Film Club  
Gay/Straight Alliance  
Hindu Yuva Club  
Hillel  
Hip Hop Culture Club  
Institute for Electrical and Electronic  
Engineers (IEEE) Club  
Marketing Association  
Math Club  
Middle Eastern Club  
Muslim Student Association  
Nursing Club  
NYPIRG  
International Business Society  
International Cultural Dance Club  
Israel Club  
Organization for Unique Individuals  
Peace Club  
Pluralism and Diversity Club  
Pre-Medical Society  
Psychology Club  
Rock 'n Roll Club  
SEEK for Excellence Club  
SEE ME Visual Arts Magazine  
Serpentine/Artifacts  
Sri Lankan Student Association  
Student Government  
Theater Club  
Theta Phi Club  
The Dolphin/CSI Yearbook  
Third Rail Magazine  
Unity and Interaction  
WSIA-FM Radio Station

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Come visit our magnificent  
204-acre campus! Meet with  
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To arrange a tour email us at:  
[tours@csi.cuny.edu](mailto:tours@csi.cuny.edu)

For more information, call  
the Office of Recruitment and  
Admissions at (718) 982-2010

Also visit us at our website at:  
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### NORTH ACADEMIC QUADRANGLE

Campus Center ..... 1C  
Computer Science, Engineering  
Science and Physics ..... 1N  
Marchi Hall, History, Political Science,  
Economics and Philosophy ..... 2N  
Business ..... 3N  
Engineering Technologies ..... 4N  
Physical Therapy ..... 5N  
Astrophysical Observatory ..... 6N  
Sports and Recreation Center ..... 1R  
The Children's Center ..... 2R  
Center for the Arts ..... 1P

### SOUTH ACADEMIC QUADRANGLE

Library ..... 1L  
Mathematics ..... 1S  
English/Modern Languages ..... 2S  
Education ..... 3S  
Psychology, Sociology,  
Anthropology and Social Work ..... 4S  
Marcus Hall, Nursing ..... 5S  
Biological Sciences  
Chemical Sciences ..... 6S

South Administration ..... 1A  
North Administration ..... 2A  
West Administration ..... 3A  
Campus Services and  
Central Plant ..... 1M



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