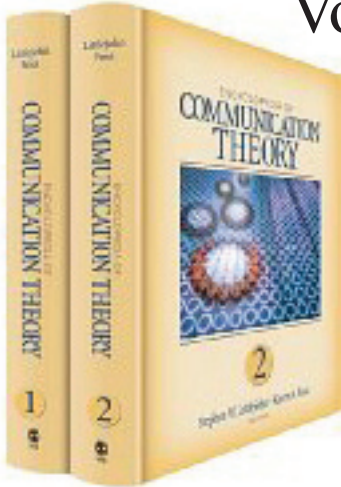




Volumes compile comm theory



Karen Foss and Stephen Littlejohn

The C&J Department's reputation as a leading communication school has been further enhanced with the publication in 2009 of the two-volume set titled *The Encyclopedia of Communication Theory*.

Co-editors are Dr. Karen Foss, regents professor at C&J, and Dr. Stephen Littlejohn, a C&J adjunct and nationally known communication consultant. Both have written several books.

With more than 300 entries, this is the first resource summarizing in one place current descriptions of the theories on numerous aspects of communication. It also presents the background issues and concepts that comprise these theories.

Besides Foss and Littlejohn, the volumes' nearly 200 contributors include C&J professors John G. Oetzel, Mary Jane Collier, Janice Schuetz, Janet M. Cramer, Olaf Werder, Patricia O. Covarrubias, Virginia McDermott, Saumya Pant, Tema Milstein, Karma R. Chávez and Sara L. McKinnon.

J&MC curriculum to be revamped in 2010

A change is underway in how print and broadcast journalism courses will be taught at the University of New Mexico.

Dr. John G. Oetzel, chair of the C&J Department, said the journalism program is being modified to stay in step with the print, broadcast and online media industries.

"We changed to a multimedia journalism approach three years ago in our capstone print class and to some degree in other reporting classes," Oetzel said. "Now we intend to transform the entire journalism curriculum to best prepare our students for the new media age, where reporters need strength in a wide variety of writing, videography, photography, software and online skills."

Starting in the fall semester of 2010, the present print and broadcast sequences will be merged into a single multimedia journalism major. Details are still being worked out, with some existing classes to be modified or dropped and some new courses added.

"Cross-platform skills are becoming increasingly essential for new employees to compete in journalism today, when print and broadcast reporters alike are expected to be able to write a story and also shoot video, take photographs and post to their media company's Web site," Oetzel said.

The existing advertising and public relations sequences will remain essentially the same as they are now, Oetzel said.

News site

Check the online news site at www.unm.edu/~cjdept/department/c&j_online.html, which carries stories and videos by students.

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Woodall to focus on research; visiting asst. professor hired

Professor Gill Woodall is no longer teaching C&J classes, instead devoting all of his time to funded research at CASAA. A visiting assistant professor has been hired to help fill the gap caused by Woodall's change in duties.

CASAA is the abbreviation for the Center on Alcoholism, Substance Abuse and Addictions. Dr. Woodall is a senior research scientist at CASAA and also has served as a grant reviewer for the National Institutes of Health for the past 17 years.

Although Dr. Woodall will no longer be teaching C&J classes, he remains a tenured faculty member with the department.

Sara L. McKinnon was appointed to the visiting assistant professor position in the summer of 2009. She has been a part-time instructor teaching intercultural communication classes for the past year. Dr. McKinnon will be helping the department develop more online courses in communication.

In other faculty news, two faculty members were promoted in the summer of 2009 from assistant professors to associate professors. They are Dr. Iliia Rodríguez, who teaches in the print journalism sequence, and Dr. Patricia O. Covarrubias, who teaches communication courses. Both also teach in C&J's graduate program.

Students in Action

Students in Mexico

UNM students participating in the Cross-Borders Issue Group studies traveled to Mexico in the summer of 2009 to continue studies on immigration. They traveled primarily to Oaxaca City Ixtapex and Acapulco. The group works with students from Universidad Fray Luca Paccioli in Mexico and are led each summer by C&J associate professor Richard Schaefer. The C&J students were Leah Valencia, Amanda Skotchdopole and Jennifer Vieh.

in Washington, D.C. in the 2009 spring semester gaining experience covering Congress, the White House, and U.S. government officials and departments. The students were Coffee Brown, Christina Lovato, Michael Ruhl, Suzia Van Swol and Candyce Torres. Program director is C&J associate professor Richard Schaefer. The first program was so successful, that six more students are participating in the 2009 fall semester: John Dubos, Julianne LaJeunesse, Travis Martin, Laura Smith, Leah Valencia and Meagan Wiseley.

Student news on the Web

For more news on student accomplishments, see the department's news briefs at www.unm.edu/~cjdept/department/C&J_news_briefs.html.

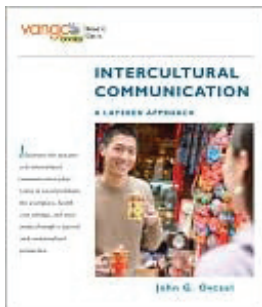
Radio internship in D.C.

Six C&J journalism students earned internships with Talk Radio News Service

C&J faculty members publish books in 2009

Two books are by first-time authors

Members of the faculty from both of the C&J department's majors — Communication and also Journalism and Mass Communication — had books published in 2009.



John G. Oetzel

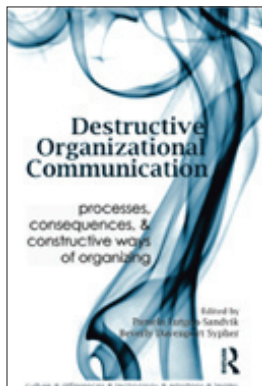
The three faculty-authored books pictured in this article are in addition to the two-volume set on communication theory produced by C&J Regents Professor Karen Foss and C&J adjunct professor Stephen Littlejohn, which is featured on this newsletter's front page.

Professor John G. Oetzel, chair of the department, wrote the textbook titled *Intercultural Communication: A Layered Approach*. It is his third book. His other books were published in

2006 and 2001.

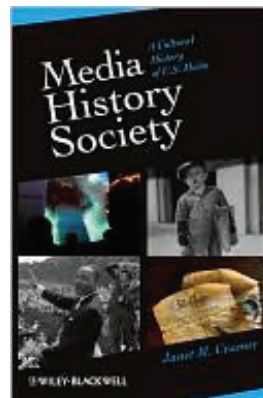
Associate professor Janet M. Cramer's first book is a text for journalism history courses titled *Media/History/Culture: A Cultural History of Media*. She teaches in the journalism sequence and also is special assistant to the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Pamela Lutgen-Sandvik, an assistant professor of communi-



Pamela Lutgen-Sandvik

cation, is co-editor of a book titled *Destructive Organizational Communication: Processes, Consequences & Constructive Ways of Organizing*. This is her first book. This year she is also the Ph.D. adviser in C&J's graduate program. Lutgen-Sandvik's co-editor is Beverly Davenpo Sypher, a professor and associate provost at Purdue University.



Janet M. Cramer

You can help with donations to building

Alumni and other supporters of C&J have an opportunity to help ensure the continuing improvement of the department's building, equipment and facilities.

Tax-deductible contributions toward the instructional needs can be made out to "C&J Building Fund" and mailed to University of New Mexico, Department of Communication and Journalism, MSC03 2240, 1 University Dr., Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001.

Details on a number of different ways to contribute to C&J's building, scholarship and other funds can be found on the "Giving to C&J" web pages. They start at unm.edu/~cjdept/friends.html.

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Grad student news

Iliana Rucker was selected by the UNM Alumni Association as the 2009-2010 recipient of the Albuquerque Branch AAUW Graduate Women Scholarship.

At the Rocky Mountain Communication Association, Liesel Sharabi was awarded Top Graduate Student Paper honors.

Lorenda Belone was awarded a dissertation fellowship for 2009-10 from the Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Center, and Julie Lucero was named the center's doctoral fellow for 2009-2010.

Claudia Anguiano received a two-year fellowship from the Mellon Foundation to support completion of her doctoral degree.

Chris Brown received a Social and Behavioral Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowship from Ohio State University for 2009.

Honors for undergrads

The Albuquerque Journal presented a scholarship to print student Mario Trujillo for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Photojournalism student Vanessa J. Sanchez and advertising student Jennifer N. Vieth received scholarships from New Mexico Press Women.

Alice Loy received the Sarah Belle Brown Community Service Award for establishing Social Ventures Partners New Mexico, the state's first social enterprise and investment organization.

The C&J departmental scholarships awarded for 2009 are: Dowler Scholarship, Vanessa Sanchez; John J. Aragon Scholarship, Devon Armijo and Ryan Montano; Jim Crow Memorial Scholarship, Douglas Capitan; W.A. Keleher Memorial Scholarship, Gary Alderete, Rikki-Lee Ulibarri and Sean Gardner; Albuquerque Press Club Scholarship, Carmen Marcello; Jeanette King Memorial Scholarship, Joseph Trisolini, Tiffini Porter and Jamie Garcia; New Mexico Public Relations Society Scholarship, Erica Krause; and the Herrick Pueblo Scholarship, Tasha Nelson.