

EF Publications Offer Information

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If you wonder what EF fellows do, the information is in the *2003-2004 AAUW Fellowship, Grant and Award Recipients Directory*, including the research of the seven American Fellows and two International Fellows studying in North Carolina.

American Fellows

Lisa S. Chensvold, Ph.D., Musicology
UNC-Chapel Hill. Dr. Chensvold is studying *Ercole amante* (Hercules in love), a Baroque musical-theatrical spectacle performed in Paris in 1662 to commemorate the marriage of Louis XIV to Maria Teresa.

Amy E. Cooke, Ph.D., Ecology
UNC-Chapel Hill. Using methodologies from both natural and social sciences, Dr. Cooke is studying the evolving agricultural patterns and practices of the Kisongo Maasai in northern Tanzania.

Ann M. Fox, Postdoctoral Research,
English Literature

Davidson. Dr. Fox is exploring why physical disability was heavily scripted onto the 20th-century American stage.

Marie E. Matta, Ph.D., Business
Administration

Duke. Dr. Matta is developing mathematical modeling techniques to schedule visits to complex hospital settings in which patients must attend multiple facilities on one visit.

Laurel A. Goj, Ph.D., Chemistry

Duke. Dr. Goj is studying the rate-determining step of a catalytic cycle in which transformation of a linear compound into a cyclic compound occurs using a palladium complex.

Julie L. Mell, Ph.D., Religion

UNC-Chapel Hill. Dr. Mell is exploring gender, economy, and religious law in the Jewish communities of Germany in the high Middle Ages.

Laura C. Pierce, Ph.D., U.S. History
Claremont Graduate University (California). Dr. Pierce's study of political activities of right-wing women's groups in the post-World War II period focuses on women as the single most powerful grassroots initiators and supporters of McCarthy.

International Fellows

Sudeshna Chatterjee, Ph.D.,
Community and Environmental Design
NCSU. Architect and urban designer Dr. Chatterjee is studying the indicators for quality of the physical environment, particularly for child development and public health.

Zeynep Toker, Ph.D., Community
NCSU. Dr. Toker, who is interested in community participation as a way to empower disadvantaged groups, has worked on participatory projects in North Carolina.

Research Report "Women at Work" and "Action Guide for Women at Work"

The most recent publications of the Educational Foundation examine how women are faring in today's economy and what their prospects are for future job success. The *Action Guide* provides suggestions on using the information presented in the research report to develop a project in your own community, including:

- "Investigate! How are women faring in your community?"
- "Educate!! Host a regional summit or community forum where you can share findings from *Women at Work* and discuss how the findings relate to your community and its particular problems and needs."
- "Create!!! Develop a mentoring and support network for women in your local area. Join existing mentoring projects that could use support or additional mentors."

Say "Yes" on State Tax Return Form To Support Fair Elections, Fair Courts

WOULD YOU RATHER have North Carolina judges raising campaign money from the attorneys and business interests who appear in their courts, or from a public fund they can tap if they agree to strict spending limits? Which way promotes fairness in our courts and gives all qualified candidates a chance, regardless of personal wealth?

In late 2002, a coalition that included the AAUW NC convinced NC lawmakers to pass the nation's first "voter-owned" public financing program for judicial candidates. It's a major breakthrough for campaign reform in NC—but it won't work without public participation!

Beginning in 2004, the fund will pay for a Voter Guide with information about the courts and candidates. In addition, candidates for the NC Supreme Court and Court of Appeals can receive substantial aid from a new Public Campaign Financing Fund in exchange for accepting strict spending and fundraising limits.

A distinguished bipartisan panel, headed by Campbell University Law School's Dean Willis Whichard, oversees the program with the State Board of Elections.

To work, hundreds of thousands of taxpayers must show support by choosing "Yes" on a new check-off box that is on the NC income-tax form. The check-off doesn't change a person's tax bill; it just transfers \$3 to the new Public Campaign Financing Fund for each person who says "Yes."

Look for the check-off on your 2003 tax return and spread the message: *Say "Yes" on the Public Campaign Fund check-off.*

For details, visit www.ncjudges.org or e-mail BethMessersmith@democracy-nc.org or call 1.888.OUR.VOTE.

IMPORTANT CORRECTION:

The EF designation code published in the winter *Tar Heel News* for the Charlotte Branch Research and Projects Grant is incorrect. The correct number is 1429.

Visibility!

From Janet Weber: A recent issue of *Certification Magazine* features AAUW—see http://www.certmag.com/articles/templates/cmag_nl_extra_content.asp?articleid=562&zoneid=37

From Jackie Woods, AAUW Executive Director: ABC's *Good Morning America* was the media sponsor of Lifetime Television's *Every Woman Counts* forum discussion with Democrat Presidential candidates, at Dartmouth College on January 25. Meredith Vieira, newswoman and co-host of ABC's *The View*, was moderator. Clips were distributed to all broadcast media. AAUW was recognized and thanked along with other Lifetime organizational partners in attendance. Gift bags including AAUW materials were given to attendees. Meredith Vieira acknowledged AAUW and the other partner organizations in her welcoming remarks at the forum and the reception immediately following the forum. AAUW was represented as a national organization by Jackie Woods and several AAUW members from New Hampshire and other states in the New England region.

Scholar-in-Residence Award

UNC-G's DIANE GILL, Ph.D., has received the new Educational Foundation Scholar-in-Residence Award for 2003-2004. The name of the Research Project is "Promoting Cultural Competence among Physical Activity Professionals." It aims to develop more inclusive programs that meet the needs of diverse youth (primarily adolescent girls). The goal is to work in partnership with schools and leisure service providers to develop physical activity programs that enhance the health and well being of all girls and women. In the program for Greensboro Branch in November, Dr. Gill made a clear presentation as to why girls are at risk for inactivity, with statistics to show at what age girls' activity abruptly changes. She challenged Greensboro Branch to help identify the climate for culturally-diverse participants in physical activity settings and to suggest ways physical activity programs might become more inclusive and inviting. Dr. Gill is director for the Center for Women's Health & Wellness and a professor in the Exercise and Sport Science Department. Kathy Jamieson, Ph.D., E&SS Department, joins Dr. Gill in carrying out the program.

Debra Massey, Program VP, Greensboro Branch

Notes of Interest

From Esther Lumsdon: A presentation from ESC includes projections in jobs that are relevant to the *Women at Work* report. This file is a 5MB PowerPoint presentation with lots of graphs about job growth. If you work on a future event or information using the *Women at Work* report, this is some of the same info, but with projections for North Carolina. URLs are: http://www.joblinkcc.com/capitalarea/balancing_life.htm and <http://www.joblinkcc.com/capitalarea/handouts.htm> Search for the text "Opportunities for Today and" and click to download the file.

From Esther Lumsdon: Article about the invisibility of women in technology gives seven reasons: Social Myths, Conditioning, Deterrence, Media, Networking, Marketing, and Balance. See <http://www.dqindia.com/content/special/103022602.asp>

Money Clips: State Treasurer Richard Moore's E-Newsletter on Personal and Small Business Finance is available by contacting Ellen Richardson, Director of Public Programs, Ellen.Richardson@treasurer.state.nc.us or 919.508.5164.

From the NC Women United list: 20th Annual Art Show, *Through Women's Eyes, By Women's Hands*, February 20-29, Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel. The largest juried show of its kind in the Southeast, it is a celebration of the vision and voice of North Carolina women artists. Visit www.womenspace.org/artshow/2004 to purchase tickets on-line or call 919-968-4610.

Caldwell Resigns

Much to my regret, I must resign from the state board and AAUW. I have enjoyed being part of the board and an AAUW member. I do plan to come back to AAUW, and would like to come back to the board at some point. I think AAUW does wonderful works, and I am proud of those works. I wish for continued success for AAUW at every level. Thanks to every leader and member who helped me to become most familiar with the position I held as diversity chairperson. Best wishes to all of you.

Sincerely, Diane Caldwell

Excerpts from a message from Ann Fox, a 2003-2004 American Fellow, to Mary Jo Pribble:

I cannot begin to describe how important this fellowship year has been to me. I simply wouldn't have been able to have it without AAUW. As part of my year-long pre-tenure sabbatical, I have already drafted two chapters of my book, and am hard at work on the third. Davidson College is a wonderful place to be, but my many teaching and service commitments simply have not allowed me the time to work on this project, one I have dreamed about for three years. And I would have not been able to take a full year's sabbatical without AAUW's support. Personally and professionally, this fellowship has meant the world to me, and I can't begin to express my gratitude fully. I am really looking forward to thanking members of AAUW in person, and sharing my research with them. Please know that I'd be delighted to meet with any branches that would have me!

I feel as though I have come full circle, in a way, with AAUW. As a child and adolescent in Buffalo, every year I would make my mother take me to that local branch's used book sale, where I am sure they raised money for scholarships, etc. It was there I piled bags full of books, since I was such a voracious reader! I had some vague sense of what AAUW was; little did I know that the same group that fed my love of reading in that way at that time would feed my intellectual life in such a different way years later!

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