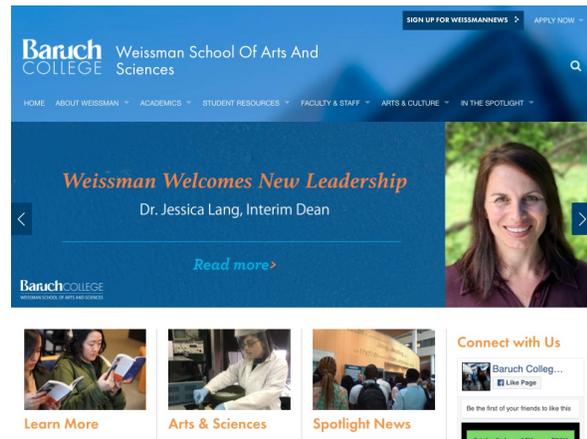


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Weissman Unveils New Website

Dr. Jessica Lang, Interim Dean announces the introduction of a refreshed, enhanced, more user-friendly website that highlights the undergraduate and graduate studies benefits offered at the Weissman School of Arts and Sciences. The new website showcases the achievements of student and faculty while amplifying the broad academic choices offered to prepare students for a strong liberal arts foundation. Another new feature is our homepage Facebook feed to keep viewers up to date on the latest events.



Celebrating Latinx Heritage Month Stick & Bow Concert in Partnership and Produced by BPAC

On September 30th, in celebration of Latinx Heritage Month, the *Stick & Bow* duo joined Professor Stephanie R. Golob, Director of the Initiative for the Study of Latin America (ISLA) at Baruch, for a conversation on the history, politics and music of Latin America.

ISLA's mission is to actively promote and nurture the interdisciplinary study of Latin America – its languages, literatures, arts and cultures; its politics, societies, and economies; its geography and environment – on the Baruch campus. Based in the Weissman (WSAS), ISLA aims to engage Baruch's students, faculty, staff, and alumni and our local community in academic, co-curricular, and public programming that enhances the understanding and appreciation of this vital world region.



2020 Science Grants Outstanding Achievements by Weissman Professors

Dr. Peixoto received a \$1.4 Million award from NIH. Work from this award could directly impact the drug design and treatment interventions for age-related neurodegenerative diseases.

Dr. Zhou received a NSF award for \$172,688, which examines how leadership behavior in the context of non-work domains could contribute to improve the work place.

Dr. Emmanouil applies her NIH award for \$338,929 to study how our brains compress large amounts of information from complex visual scenes to navigate the world. She also is a part of a \$498,807 research grant which involves working in collaboration with scientist at Columbia University and Georgia Tech.

Dr. Dobi received a \$459,732 NSF award for the purchase of a laser scanning confocal microscope and image analysis software. This award will have a great impact on the research teams of the department.

Dr. Young obtained a NSF award for \$149,990 to study the behavioral implications of the social distancing strategies to reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Sidney Harman Writers-In-Residence



Harman 2020 Conversations with Xiaolu Guo - Tuesday, October 20 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Born in China, Xiaolu Guo is a writer and filmmaker. Her feature *She, a Chinese* (2009) won the top award at the Locarno International Film Festival. The first of her novels to be written in English, *A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers*, has been translated into 26 languages, and her 2017 memoir, *Nine Continents*, won the National Book Critics Circle Award for Autobiography. Her latest novel, *A Lover's Discourse*, in homage to Roland Barthes, has just come out this fall. Xiaolu will be introduced by Professor Isolina Ballesteros. Her reading and conversation will be followed by a Q&A. [The event will be live streamed here.](#) [Read more.](#)

[Learn more about Xiaolu Guo.](#)



2021 Sidney Harman Writer-in-Residence Stew Stewart

Spring 2021 Writer-in-Residence Stew Stewart is a New York City-based singer-songwriter and playwright from Los Angeles, California. Stew has produced multiple award-winning albums, including two named Entertainment Weekly's Album of the Year.

In 2008, his musical *Passing Strange* was nominated for Tony awards in seven categories and won for Best Book; it also received two Obie awards for Best New Theater Piece and Best Ensemble. Stew plans to instruct and work with the Spring 2021 Harman students on writing a musical together, that will be staged by students in the Fine and Performing Arts Department in the fall semester.

[Read more.](#)

News Announcements

**Sandra Kahn Wasserman
Jewish Studies 2020 Programs**

[Here you can find a list of the 2020 events sponsored by the Jewish Studies Center](#)



Professor Els de Graauw Will Moderate Discussion About Urban Citizenship

Urban Citizenship is a ballot measure campaign (Prop C) under way in San Francisco to let non-citizens serve on city boards and commissions, and a policy proposal before the NYC City Council to expand local voting rights to non-citizens. They will also address noncitizen participation in local participatory budgeting. [Register here.](#)



Weissman Fine and Performing Arts Department Announces Annual Baruch Concert Series Goes Digital in 2020

Calling all Baruch musicians! Everyone's favorite semesterly music showcase is approaching, and we can't wait to support your talent in our digital celebration. All musical styles and genres are welcome.

To send a performance for consideration to the Baruch in Concert Committee (Professors Lambert, Wollman, and Anderton), please upload your video to YouTube, Google Drive, or the file-sharing service of your choice, and send the link to baruchinconcert2020@gmail.com anytime before Friday, October 16.

Stay tuned for details about our live viewing party on November 5 at 1:00 pm. All performances will be uploaded to Blogs@Baruch afterward. [View flyer here.](#)

Jimmy Rivera Featured in "Weissman alumni a City & State magazine 40 under 40"

Jimmy Rivera, Vice President of the Stonewall Democratic Club of NYC and proud CUNY Alumni at Baruch '14, will be featured in the upcoming edition of City & State Magazine 30 under 40 NYC Rising Stars 2020. The magazine is set to be published on October 12th.

Els de Graauw, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science at the Weissman School, Featured in *Antipode*

[The article](#) describes how some local governments are taking on an activist role to protect and help undocumented immigrants, finding methods to provide them with healthcare, legal services, and municipal ID cards.

Upcoming Events

Campaign 2020 @Baruch

[Wednesday, October 7, 8:45-11:15 pm \(EST\): Vice Presidential Debate](#)

Join Baruch's faculty experts, students, alumni, and members of the community to learn about and discuss critical aspects of the 2020 elections. [Next Debate - Wednesday.](#)

Climate Change Solution Simulator

Thursday, Oct. 15, 12:30–2:00 pm. Presented by the Zicklin Center for Corporate Integrity. [Learn more](#) and [register here](#).

Award-Winning Pianist Unites International Composers for Latest Silberman Series: Yael Weiss: 32 Bright Clouds

Running through Sunday, Oct. 18. Presented by BPAC as part of the Aaron and Freda Silberman Recital Series. [Learn more](#) and [register here](#).

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at Baruch College: Insider & Outsider Perspectives

The Professional Staff Congress (PSC) Chapter at Baruch College invites you to this virtual forum on Thursday, October 8, 2020, 12:30 - 2:00 pm. [Register here](#).

Opportunities for Faculty

- [Cornelia T. Bailey Foundation Invites Applications for New ERA Women Writers Program- Deadline: Rolling](#)
- [National Geographic Invites Applications for COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Journalists- Deadline: Rolling](#)

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