



# L&C News . . .

## Department of Languages and Cultures

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### Events / Guest Lectures

**Bloomsburg Memorial Elementary, Bloomsburg Evans Elementary and Bloomsburg Middle schools** are to expand their after school language clubs activities. Currently, the languages offered are Chinese, French, and Spanish. The schools are looking for volunteers among the language majors and minors to enroll in the one-credit course for the fall 2013. A minimum level of completed 204 is required. All languages are possible ones for the clubs

**Anna Dolidze** “Globalization, Criminalization, and Protest: The Case of Georgia.” Spring Scholar Speaker lecture event sponsored by BU’s International Faculty Association. Monday, March 11, 7 pm, Carver Hall Gross Auditorium

**Christopher Donahue** has organized a study trip to Panama (¿Panamá? ¡Sí!), and he will take five BU students to Panama City, San Blas Islands, Bocas del Toro, and Boquete, March 15-24, 2013

**The Francophone Club** (formerly the French Club) under the direction of Dr. Nathalie Cornelius has been participating in fund raising activities for an excursion to Canada. They also manned an informational table at the open session offered by BU (February 26-March 1, 2013)

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus**, the Very International Club advisor, participated in the College of Business Students Activity Night (February 11-12, 2013)

**Mykola Polyuha** delivered a presentation on the US educational system for exchange students from Moscow Finance University, January 31, 2013

**The Spanish Club** under the direction of Dr. Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus conducted conversation nights and offered Mambo and Salsa Dancing Classes (February 12, 18, 26, 2013; OSH 220)

**The Very International Club** under the tutelage of Dr. Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus is organizing a Spring Break Trip to North Carolina (March 16-24, 2013). For further details, contact Dr. Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus ([ahidalgo@bloomu.edu](mailto:ahidalgo@bloomu.edu))

#### Conversation Groups:

- **Arabic** varies. Please contact Dr. Yahya Laayouni ([ylaayoun@bloomu.edu](mailto:ylaayoun@bloomu.edu))
- **French** varies. Please contact Dr. Nathalie Cornelius ([ncornel3@bloomu.edu](mailto:ncornel3@bloomu.edu))

### Events / Guest Lectures (cont.)

- **Russian** Wednesdays, 3:15-4:30 pm, OSH 238
- **Spanish** varies. Mambo and Salsa Dancing Classes are offered! Please contact Dr. Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus ([ahidalgo@bloomu.edu](mailto:ahidalgo@bloomu.edu))

#### German Club Activities:

- **Stammtisch (Informal Conversation Group Meeting)**. This is a great opportunity to practice your German (no matter what level you are at) and get to know other German students. If you don’t have a meal-plan, please contact Dr. Luke Springman ([lspringm@bloomu.edu](mailto:lspringm@bloomu.edu)) and arrangements can be made. Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, Scranton Commons
- **Club Meetings:** March 5 and 26; April 16; May 2 and 7, 2013; 6:30-9:00 pm, OSH 220
- **Trips:** German Restaurant (March 28, 2013), German Museum (April 27, 2013). For further information, contact Daniel Callen ([dpc47630@huskies.bloomu.edu](mailto:dpc47630@huskies.bloomu.edu))

### Film Series

#### German

Tuesday, March 5, 6:30-9:00 pm, OSH 220  
“Vollidiot” (“Complete Idiot”), Tobi Baumann, 2007.

Tuesday, April 2, 6:30-9:00 pm, OSH 220  
“Shutter,” Masayuki Ochiai, 2008.

*All the films are in German with English subtitles.*

### Conferences / Workshops

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus** “Afro-Caribbean Female Slaves’ Images in Yolanda Arroyo Pizarro’s Work.” *128th MLA Annual Convention*. Boston, 3–6 January, 2013.

**Mykola Polyuha** conducted a short-term research “Encountering the Other: Ezra Pound and Eastern Europe” at Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University, New Haven, CT, January 22-25, 2013.

## Publications

**Nathalie Cornelius** Review of *Les autos tamponneuses* by Stéphane Hoffmann (Paris: Albin Michel, 2011). *The French Review* 86.2, December 2012. 417-18.

**Nathalie Cornelius** Review of *Le souvenirs* by David Foenkinos (Paris: Gallimard, 2011). *The French Review* 86.3, February 2013. 602.

## Congratulations

**Nathalie Cornelius** on being invited to be a reviewer of Horizons fifth edition (in preparation for a sixth), an introductory level French textbook, a project which Prof. Cornelius completed in December 2012

**Nathalie Cornelius** on being invited to participate in the Liberal Arts Project, a BU College of Liberal Arts committee that is working on bringing university-wide focus and recognition to BU's college of liberal arts programs

**Maria Eboli** (major: Spanish/ Speech Language Pathology) on receiving Al-Zaidi Award for Academic Excellence as the most outstanding senior at Bloomsburg University

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus** on being selected to participate in the PASHE Leadership and Managerial Institute. Dr. W. Terrell Jones, Vice Provost for Educational Equity, Penn State University (State College, PA) has been assigned to be Dr. Hidalgo de Jesus' mentor. Prof. Hidalgo de Jesus will participate in several webinars during the Spring Semester and will attend a training session in the second week of June at Penn State University, State College, PA

## Congratulations (cont.)

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus** on being invited by Wiley Publishing Company to participate in the Wiley Virtual Focus Group for *Pura Vida*. February 27, 2013

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus** on being invited to be an ETS (Educational Testing Service) Spanish reader for the Spanish Advance Exams

**Amarilis Hidalgo de Jesus** on having her review of *Hispanic Caribbean Literature of Migration* by Vanessa Pérez-Rosario (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010) accepted for publication in *Letras Femeninas* 38.2

**Abigail Messinger** (major: Spanish/ Audiology/ Speech Language Pathology) on being nominated for Languages and Cultures Scholarship

**Luke Springman** on being appointed to serve as an adviser to international students

**Luke Springman** on being selected to be a BU representative to the PASSHE International Education Council



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