The purpose of the UNCW Communication Studies Society is to prepare members for a clear understanding of the communication field and to provide networking opportunities with peers and professionals in communication related fields.

**Project Protégé**

Think you know what you want to do when you grow up? Let Project Protégé help you decide if that career is for you. Project Protégé is a mentoring program that gives students an opportunity to network with a local professional while learning more about a specific communication-related career. If you’re considering a career in PR, marketing, HR, sales, or broadcast and print journalism, this is for you. For more information or an application, contact Jennifer Chin or coordinator Ashleigh DiPaulo (and9650@uncw.edu). Applications are available outside LH 238 and on our website. The deadline for completed applications is Sept. 8th by noon. Don’t miss out on this opportunity! Space is limited, so apply today!

**CSS Website**

Check out our official website to learn more about CSS. Read past newsletters and meeting minutes, browse through pictures of events, and obtain important forms like the Member Information Sheet and Project Protégé Application.

http://student.uncw.edu/org/css/

**Involvement Carnival**

Want to learn more about CSS and what it can do for you? Want to meet more COM students? Then drop by the CSS table at the Involvement Carnival between 10 and 2 on Wed., Aug. 30th in the Campus Commons to meet some of our board members and to sign up to be on our mailing list!

**First Meeting**

Please join us for our first meeting of the year (and for free pizza) on Thursday, August 24th in Leutze Hall 143 at 7:00 pm.

**Dues**

Fall semester dues are $20. The deadline for payment is Thursday, Sept. 21st. Cash and checks (payable to UNCW Communication Studies Society) are accepted. Dues can be paid at meetings and in LH 238 during Jennifer Chin’s office hours. Don’t forget to complete a member information sheet when you pay dues (forms are located outside LH 238 and online at our website).

**Points System**

The CSS Point System was established to ensure that our members take full advantage of membership in the organization. To achieve active member status, members must earn 10 points each semester. Members can earn points by participating in fundraisers, service projects, publicity for meetings and events, and by attending approved events and meetings. Active members receive a reduction in dues and are invited to participate in special department functions.
CSS welcomes new faculty member, **Dr. Jennifer Brubaker**. Dr. Brubaker will support the department’s political communication curriculum. Her fall course offerings include Intro to Political Communication and Survey of Mass Communication.

Congratulations to CSS member **Lindsay Goldsworthy**, recipient of the 2005-2006 CSS Achievement Award. Lindsay was honored in May at the final CSS meeting. The award also comes with a $100 gift card to the UNCW Bookstore.

**Ms. Debra Whiting** joins the department as administrative secretary. She replaces **Ms. Patsy Odom**, who retired after 15 years of service to UNCW.

**Dr. Rick Olsen** received a 2006 UNCW Chancellor’s Teaching Excellence Award at the College of Arts and Sciences Convocation in May.

**Ms. Tammy Bulger** was named Lecturer of the Year in May by the Center for Teaching Excellence.

Welcome new part-time faculty members, **Mr. William Phillips** and **Ms. Amanda Keel Lee**. Mr. Phillips will be teaching one section each of Intro to Public Relations and Media Literacy this fall. Ms. Lee will be teaching one section of Public Speaking.

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### Committees

Don’t simply join CSS—get involved! Consider joining one of our committees:

**Community Outreach**: If you are interested in non-profit PR or event planning, this is the committee for you! Have fun and meet people while making a difference in our community. Contact Michelle Silvia (mjs8207@uncw.edu) for more info.

**Fundraising**: We put the “fun” in fundraiser. Everybody can use a little extra cash every now and then, and so can CSS. Creative and outgoing people wanted. For more information, contact Amanda Cloninger (atc7934@uncw.edu).

**Publicity**: Are you creative? Are you skilled at design? Are you a people person? If so, this committee is for you! We promote club meetings and events through flyers, chalking, and announcements. Contact Jason Williams (jmw7552@uncw.edu) for more information.

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### Conferences

- Do you have what it takes to be a leader? Find out at the UNCW Student Organization Leadership Conference on Sat., Sept. 23rd. It is open to all members (and is an opportunity to earn points). For more information, contact Heather Curtis (hlc5028@uncw.edu).

- Are you interested in attending graduate school? If so, consider attending the Carolinas Communication Association Conference in Charleston, SC on Sept. 15-16. This year’s theme is “Communication, Culture, and Common Ground.” The conference fee is $30 before Sept. 5, and partial CSS funding may be available. Contact Jennifer Chin (chinj@uncw.edu) for more info.

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### Important Dates

- August 24………..….First CSS Meeting, 7:00 pm, LH 143
- Sept. 7………………..….CSS Meeting, 7:00 pm, LH 143
- Sept. 8…………….….Deadline for Project Protégé Applications
- Sept. 15-16….….….Carolinas Communication Association Conference
- Sept. 21……………………….CSS Meeting, 7:00 pm, LH 143