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Keynote speaker: Marilyn Cochran-Smith, the John E. Cawthorne Millennium Chair in Teacher Education for Urban Schools from the Lynch School of Education at Boston College.

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FORMATION OF DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

KATHLEEN A. STRUB-RICHARDS
Proposed Dissertation Title: “Developmentally appropriate practice meets curriculum standards: When doing what’s right for the child is not enough.” Statement of the Problem: The development of the whole child has long been a valued principle and goal of early childhood education. Recent initiatives to develop Federal and State early Learning Standards have focused narrowly on pre-reading and pre-math skills and do not include the multiple facets of a child. These conflicting demands create stress and uncertainty for early childhood educators. Chairperson: Dr. Grace J. Craig.

FINAL ORAL EXAMINATIONS

NELIDA MATOS
June 26, 2008, 12:00 noon, Room 20, Furcolo Hall.
“Focusing on Strength: Building Home-Classroom Connections with Latino Families in Urban Schools.” Chairperson: Dr. Jerri Willett.