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Call for Papers- The fourteenth annual conference of the Association for Integrative Studies, Nov. 19-22, 1992, at Kellogg West Conference Center in Pomona, CA. (A diversity of voices are invited to speak on Gender, Cross-Cultural Issues, Ethnicity, The Canon, Science, Ethical Imperatives, New Voices and New Narratives.)

An Institutional Study of Interdisciplinary Activity, by Paul Isaac and Robert Brueggmeier. Spring 1990 university-wide task force appointed to examine interdisciplinary research and graduate education programs at Ohio State University.

Review of (EN) Gendering Knowledge, an intense collection of essays edited by Joan E. Hartman and Ellen Messer-Davidow, and the article submitted by Alison Prindle.

News in Brief:

Association for General and Liberal Studies 32nd annual conference in Columbus, Ohio, on October 8-10. Theme "Educating a New World 1492-1992: the Legacy of the Undergraduate Professoriate."

- The Center for the Study of Communication of the Department of Communication, University of Massachusetts/Amherst will host a conference on "Mainstream(s) and Margins: Cultural Politics in the 90s."
- The University Press of Mississippi is currently seeking manuscripts for a new interdisciplinary series, Performance Studies: Expressive Behavior in Culture.

AIS Bookshelf: In two new publications, Giles Gunn describes current interdisciplinary projects, movements, approaches, methodologies and schools of thought linked with literary studies.

"Interdisciplinary Studies" and *"Interdisciplinarity and the Deepening of the American Mind"*.

Talcott Parsons on the Human Condition, this is perhaps one of the most ambitious attempts at interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary analysis. Submitted by Irene Dabrowski and Anthony Haynor, College of New Rochelle.

Review of American Heritage: An Interdisciplinary Approach, by Frank W. Fox and Clayne L. Pope, a genuine interdisciplinary approach nor a particularly insightful examination of the American experience is seen in this book. Review by Ann Mari May, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

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Discourse Analysis and Interdisciplinarity: The Syracuse Experiment Examined, by Paul Durbin
Media and the Message, by Kevin Dean, subtitled, "A Visual Methodology that Works." (In the middle of a crisis in American education.)

Acts of Meaning As Exemplary Interdisciplinarity: submitted by Philip Lewin, Clarkson University. *Acts of*

Meaning is by Jerome Bruner.

The Real-World Value of Interdisciplinary Higher Education: a formal statement by the AIS Board of Directors.

AIS Arts Network- enthusiastic response to announcement in the last newsletter -have new members and collecting resources on the integrative arts.

INTERDIS E-Mail List- Chris Wolfe, AIS and MU launch a free e-mail discussion list-INTERDIS.

IDS Conference- the Institute for the Study of Postsecondary Pedagogy in the School of Education (College at New Paltz/SUNY) invites proposals for papers, presentations, workshops, and panels for second annual conference on "Instruction Across the Disciplines," Nov. 5-7, 1992, in Albany, NY.

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Bielfeld's Oberstufenkolleg, by Ludwig Huber-a short description and discussion of the Oberstufen-Kolleg at the University of Bielfeld--the only example of a sort of liberal arts college in the Federal Republic of Germany.

IDS Computer List Activated, by Chris Wolfe-the idea is to facilitate nationwide and international communication among interdisciplinarians and generate thoughtful discussions of issues such as pedagogy and integrating perspectives.

Institute in Integrative Studies -Miami University(Oxford, Ohio) has started an institute this fall (1992) to provide key faculty members from colleges and universities planning interdisciplinary liberal education courses with exposure to Miami's nationally recognized interdisciplinary program, the School of Interdisciplinary Studies. The director of the Institute is William H. Newell.

News in Brief-

- The Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs annual conference Oct. 22-24, 1992, on the theme "Changing Expectations: Graduate Liberal Studies Programs in the 90s."
- "Designing and Connecting Powerful Learning Experiences" theme for second annual conference for integrative/holistic school teachers-Oct. 22-24, 1992 in Kansas City, MO.
- 21st Annual Conference of the National Society for Experiential Education-Nov. 4-7, 1992, on the theme "Powerful Partnerships: Linking Education, Work, and Communities through Experiential Learning."
- The Institute for the Study of Postsecondary Pedagogy will host its second annual conference on "Instruction Across the Disciplines, Nov. 5-7, 1992, in Albany, NY.
- Multidisciplinary international conference on "Academic Knowledge and Political Power," at the University of Maryland, College Park.
- The National Association for Science, Technology, and Society's eighth annual "Technology Literacy Conference" in Arlington, VA.
- Call for papers for a collection entitled *Nexus: Writings on Location*, an interdisciplinary anthology drawing on the "New Subjectivity" or personal narrative, or autobiographical criticism across a range of disciplines
- The Society for Applied Anthropology annual meeting in San Antonio, TX, with the theme "Applying Social Science in a Multicultural Setting."
- The College of Basic Studies at Boston University officially became the College of General Studies on June 1, 1992.
- Announcing the 1992 inaugural issue of the Applied Behavioral Science Review, a multidisciplinary quarterly journal focused on policy studies, intervention strategies, and the assumptions and

ideologies undergirding policy formulation and options.

Wayne State FIPSE ID Writing Grant, WSU ID program received a \$224,000 three-year comprehensive grant from FIPSE entitled "Creating a 'Campus' Through Writing."

ID Arts Session- AIS Integrated Arts Network hosting two sessions at the 1992 Association for Integrative Studies conference at Cal Poly Pomona in November.

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Review of Moti Nissani's *Lives in the Balance*, The Cold War and American Politics, 1945-1991. Review by Ghulam Haniff, St. Cloud State University.

Writing Center Director Sought at The School of Interdisciplinary Studies' Western College Program at Miami University

Core Curriculum: Washington State- one of 11 "resource" or mentor institutions in the Association of American Colleges' Engaging Cultural Legacies Project.

News in Brief:

"Enhancing the Quality of Teaching in Colleges and Universities: Teaching for Diversity" will be the theme of a conference co-sponsored by the University of South Carolina's Colleges of Education.

AIS Officers- election of officers for 1992-93 in October

AIS Becomes AAAS Affiliate- The AIS has been accepted as an affiliate of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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