George Rosa: one of our Multimedia Specialists, holds a B.S., B.F.A., M.A., and M.Ed. George is a Brooklyn native who first got involved with Hostos in 1989. When he isn’t creating his own award-winning art, George specializes in the innovative uses of technology and rich media in classroom. He has been especially active in the development of course podcasts, PDA use in dental hygiene and biology, and a variety of exit exam review websites. George is the technology liaison to the Natural Sciences, English and Allied Health departments.

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Francisco Ordonez: our Information Technology Assistant, holds a B.S. Francisco is new to OIT and joined the Hostos family in 2008. Coming to us from Ecuador, Francisco specializes in project management, and supports all of our projects. Currently, he’s an active participant in our ePortfolio plans, and is working to create new applications for Institutional Research, and develop websites for Career Services and the Center for Teaching and Learning. Francisco is the technology liaison to the Business, Humanities, and Language and Cognition departments.

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What we can do:
We don’t want to tell you how to teach. Our job is simply to give you more options and help you realize your goals. If you want, we can help you:

- Put your syllabi online—we can even make it interactive;
- Give your students new ways to learn a little about you and make contact;
- Create entire learning units complete with online readings and links;
- Create electronic coursepacks for use on iPods, PDAs, Kindles, even PSPs;
- Managing the electronic resources that accompany so many textbooks;
- Creative innovative online assessment tools;
- Design online assignments;
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- Podcast your lectures or use other rich media features of the Web 2.0;
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- Guide you through the process of preparing a face-to-face course for hybrid or asynchronous delivery.

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What is the CAC?
The CAC serves as an advisory body in matters that relate to instructional technology. The membership consists of faculty representatives from each academic department, the Library, and Counseling. The CAC is chaired by the Director of OIT. When you have any questions about instructional technology, feel free to contact your CAC representative, your department’s OIT professional, the Director of OIT, any of the other OIT professionals, or any and all of the above.

Who’s on the CAC?

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Who are our OIT Professionals?
We’re especially proud of the excellent team we’ve managed to build, and we want you to get to know them a little better.

Carlos Guevara: our Coordinator of Instructional Technology, holds a B.S., M.S., and M.C.P.E. Originally from Ecuador, Carlos came to the United States in 1997, and began his studies here at Hostos. He has been actively involved in implementing ePortfolios, and has provided faculty training in Interactive and rich media tools such as blogs, wikis, podcasting, Blackboard, and mobile technology. Carlos’s research interests include ePortfolios, social networks, and online interactive learning. Carlos is the technology liaison to the Library.

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Iber Poma: our Coordinator of Student Support, holds an A.A., and a B.A. Originally from Bolivia, Iber moved to New York in 1990. Iber has a wide range of experience providing expert assistance in Blackboard, MS Office, Impatica, Turnitin, internet research, blogs and wikis, ePortfolios, and HTML. Iber is the key to our college’s student workshops—he’s the one you contact if you want an entire class to receive special instruction. Iber will even work with you to design workshops to meet the needs of your specific teaching style. Iber is the technology liaison to Counseling.

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