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# ***Do You Know L.E.O.?***

## **Learning Enhancement Opportunity**

***LEO is a mentorship program  
providing academic support for  
Child Welfare Education Project (CWEP) students***

Under the supervision of Dr. Monit Cheung (Professor of Social Work), Ms. [Corrine Walijarvi](#) (Social Work Doctoral Student) serves as a mentor to the CWEP students to help in such diverse areas as computer research skills, APA formatting, paper organization, preparation of presentation materials, etc.\*

*(\*We don't provide editing services, but we offer suggestions  
to improve paper structure and organizational style.)*

**If you need academic mentorship at any time during  
your MSW study, please contact Dr. Monit Cheung at  
713-743-8107.**

**For Spring 2009, please see [Corrine Walijarvi](#) at her  
office (GCSW Rm. 429)  
on Wednesday, 12-5pm.**

**You may also email Corrine at [cmwalija@mail.uh.edu](mailto:cmwalija@mail.uh.edu)  
if you don't have time for face-to-face meetings.**

***Get to know L.E.O.  
You'll be glad you did.***

An academic mentorship program offered by  
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## **CWEP Welcomes Corrine Walijarvi, LEO Mentor for CWEP Students**

Your LEO Mentor is here to help you!

When you want to get a third-person perspective about your academic preparation, or when you need someone to go over your presentation outline or paper format, please email or see Corrine Walijarvi, your LEO mentor for CWEP students.

Corrine writes, “My name is Corrine Walijarvi, and I am a first year student in the Ph.D. program at GCSW. I just received my MSW at GCSW last May, after completing four years in the program as a part-time student. I received my undergraduate degree in economics from Harvard, and worked as a public accountant while earning my M.S. in Accounting degree from New York University. I then earned an MBA from Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, and pursued a management career while working for General Motors and General Electric. Following a diagnosis of cancer, I retired from the corporate world and devoted myself to raising my children and contributing to a variety of volunteer and charitable activities. I applied to the MSW program at GCSW after I had regained my health and my children had reached an age of relative independence.

I am currently working as a Doctorate Research Assistant with Dr. Monit Cheung. I am looking forward to the opportunity to help students currently in the CWEP program; I hope I can help you achieve your goals while avoiding unnecessary stress!”

Corrine’s office hours for CWEP students in **Spring 2009 is Wednesday from 12 noon to 5pm.** Feel free to email Corrine any time at [cmwalija@mail.uh.edu](mailto:cmwalija@mail.uh.edu) to ask any questions related to your academic preparation, or to confirm a specific time for meeting with her. She looks forward to meeting with you in Room 429 and helping in any way that she can. Remember, your LEO mentor is available for CWEP students only.

Please take full advantage of it.

Dr. Monit Cheung, P.I. of CWEP