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**Dr. Yolanda Nieves Wright College English Faculty**  
**Authors Unique Doctoral Dissertation**

**THE CHANCELLOR**

**REPORTS** that Dr. Yolanda Nieves, a Wright College English faculty member, has completed her doctoral studies at National Louis University. Her doctoral dissertation – The Brown Girl’s Chronicles: Puerto Rican Women and Resilience was written in the form of a play and was performed by a ten member ensemble to sell out audiences at the Chicago Center for the Performing Arts.

that in describing Dr. Nieves work, Dr. Randee Lawrence of NLU states “Yolanda’s research pushes the boundaries of doctoral dissertations in a way that opens the doors for innovative forms of inquiry. The performance text disrupts hegemonic assumptions about Puerto Rican women and creates a forum for silenced voices to be heard.”

that the Brown Girl Chronicles can be seen in three encore performances on May 28, through May 30, 2009 at the Chicago Center for the Performing Arts.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson  
Chancellor

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