Congratulations to the 2019 Outstanding Scholarly Mentoring Award Winners!

The Office of Student Research & Creativity is pleased to announce the 2019 Outstanding Scholarly Mentorship Award Winners. John Jay College recognizes these faculty members for their exceptional student mentoring by engaging undergraduates in scholarly research or creative work. They will be honored during the Faculty Recognition Awards Reception on April 3rd, 2019.

**Rebecca Weiss – Psychology**

Dr. Weiss is an Assistant Professor of Forensic Assessment at John Jay College and a licensed clinical psychologist in the state of New York. Her research interests include the effect of group membership on validity in psychological assessment, and the impact of trauma on the treatment and development of aggression and substance use disorders. She includes students of all levels in her lab, allowing for advanced students to provide additional supervision for less advanced students. This provides valuable experience for the advanced students, and broadens their research productivity, while proving valuable assistance for the less advanced students.

**Lissette Delgado-Cruzata – Science**

Dr. Lissette Delgado-Cruzata is an Assistant Professor of Molecular Biology at John Jay College, in the City University of New York. She earned her Masters in Public Health and PhD at Columbia University, and her undergraduate degree at the University of Havana. She started as a basic molecular biologist carrying out genetic research in yeast, but found that she could apply her skills to population studies integrating her molecular biology expertise to the understanding of disease etiology and progression. She carries out molecular epidemiology studies investigating epigenetic biomarkers in chronic diseases. She is also interested in the associations of these biomarkers with lifestyle and behavioral factors. Her current research explores epigenetic biomarkers in minority populations with the goal of decreasing health disparities. She is also passionate about increasing the number of minority students that go on to graduate programs, and mentors many undergraduates in her research lab.