

Graduate Student Life _____ Weekly Digest

Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest Week of March 3, 2025

Welcome to the Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest!

This weekly digest serves as official communication from the Office of Graduate Student Life and keeps you up-to-date on events, opportunities, campus resources and support services for graduate students at Rutgers-New Brunswick! Share with your friends and tell them to subscribe HERE!! You can contact the Office of Graduate Student Life by emailing gradstudentlife@echo.rutgers.edu or visiting our offices during the week in the Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Ave, behind Panera Bread). Click HERE for information about staff office hours.

The Graduate Student Lounge is open from 6:45am-12:00am Mondays-Fridays and 9:00am-12:00am Saturdays and Sundays. Click <u>HERE</u> to view the current daily hours for the College Ave Student Center (includes Graduate Student Lounge). Learn more about the Office of Graduate Student Life by visiting our website <u>HERE</u>!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduating? Don't Forget to Order Your Regalia!

Students planning to participate in May 2025 commencement and convocation ceremonies are required to wear academic regalia. Rutgers University-New Brunswick graduates can order their regalia <u>HERE</u> and Rutgers University-Health graduates can order their regalia <u>HERE</u>.

- GET INVOLVED -

Explore Involvement in Graduate Student Organizations (GSOs)!

Explore the official directory of Graduate Student Organizations (GSOs) recognized by the Graduate Student Association (GSA) and discover graduate involvement opportunities on campus. GSOs are a fantastic way to meet other graduate students and participate in campus activities. Find the GSO directory HERE.

1:1 Coaching Sessions for Volunteer Engagement

Schedule a 1:1 Coaching Session HERE

Graduate students looking for ways to volunteer in the community should consider scheduling a 1:1 coaching session with the Office of Student Volunteer Engagement to kick-start their volunteer journey.

- STAY INFORMED -

Looking for more ways to stay informed? Check out the <u>Newsletters page</u> on our website! The Newsletters page is the new home for information about various newsletters and listservs that are relevant to the graduate student experience including: the Graduate Student Association, Student Volunteer Engagement, Career Exploration and Success: Doctoral Career Community, Student Basic Needs, and more!

Follow Graduate Student Life on Instagram!

Stay up to date with the Office of Graduate Student Life by following us on Instagram @rugradstudentlife! Never miss another graduate student life event!

EVENTS

- THIS WEEK! -

CES Drop-In Hours for Graduate Students – Wednesday, March 5, 4pm-6pm Location: Zoom (Click HERE!)

CES Drop in Hours for Graduate Students will be held on Wednesdays from 4-6pm throughout the semester with additional sessions on 3/26, 4/9, and 4/23.

Have career questions? Need guidance on your next professional steps? Stop by virtually during drop-in hours to connect with Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhya, the Senior Assistant Director for Graduate Student Career Pathways in the Office of Career Exploration and Success! This is an opportunity for students to ask quick questions, receive advice, or explore resources tailored to their career goals. Whether you are considering academic, industry, or alternative pathways, help is available. No appointment is needed, students can simply drop in! Please reach out to Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhya rudrani.g@rutgers.edu with any questions.

Scarlet Tabletop Gaming League – Wednesday, March 5, 5:30pm-8pm

<u>Location: College Ave Student Center, Room 108 G2 Level (126 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

Join fellow tabletop game enthusiasts for an evening of fun and fellowship! Featuring games such as *Francis Drake*, *Love Letter*, *Ingenious*, *Dixit*, *Just One*, *King of Tokyo*, *Werewolf*, *6 Nimmt!*, and more, this event provides an opportunity to connect with others, build lasting friendships, and share a passion for board games. Both beginners and experienced players are welcome to unwind and engage in the strategic and thematic challenges of these exciting games. For questions, please contact Alex Nesenjuk at an525@scarletmail.rutgers.edu. This event is sponsored by the Graduate Student Association.

Graduate Student Pilates Mat Class - Thursday, March 6, 5pm-6pm

<u>Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Avenue, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

Graduate Student Polestar Mat Pilates will be held instead of Graduate Student Yoga on Thursday, March 6. Weekly Graduate Student Yoga will resume again on Thursday, March 13.

Join the Office of Graduate Student Life and Rutgers Recreation for an exclusive pilates mat class just for graduate students! Take a break from your busy week to exercise your mind and body. Mats are provided, and all skill levels are welcome!

SparkNight: Celebrating Women's History Month – Thursday, March 6, 5pm-8pm Location: Zimmerli Art Museum (71 Hamilton Street, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

RSVP HERE!

Join the Zimmerli Art Museum for a night of performances, artmaking, music, and pop-up tours! In honor of Women's History Month, this event will highlight contributions from Indigenous American Women Artists included in the Zimmerli's special exhibition: *Indigenous Identities: Here, Now & Always*. Complementary light refreshments will be served.

LGBTQIA+ Graduate Student Social: Decor the Bawdy (Beads & Crafts) - Friday, March 7, 12pm-3pm

<u>Location: Center for Social Justice Education & LGBT Communities (17 Barlett St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

RSVP HERE!

Join the Center for Social Justice Education & LGBT Communities (SJE) for an afternoon of bead crafts at the second LGBTQIA+ Graduate Student Social of the semester! This social is part of SJE's Body Positivity and Self Love Project and creates space for graduate students to gather together in community, create bead crafts, and affirm their bodies. Please direct any questions to sje@echo.rutgers.edu or Paolo Miyashiro Bedoya at pm976@scarletmail.rutgers.edu.

Hip-Hop with Me, You, We: Dance and Connection – Friday, March 7, 6pm-8pm Location: College Avenue Gym, Dance Studio (130 College Avenue, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

RSVP HERE!

Step into the rhythm and soul of hip-hop with this dynamic dance class, hosted by the Scarlet Well Initiative! This beginner-friendly workshop offers a unique opportunity to explore the art of hip-hop, build confidence, and have fun–all with a special emphasis on forming connections with others and oneself. Professionally trained choreographers will be present to teach participants a short, beginner-friendly combo. Dancers of all levels, including beginners, are welcome to attend.

Basketball as a Tool to Promote Wellness and Build Community – Saturday, March 8, 9am-11am

<u>Location: College Ave Gym, Annex (130 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

Register **HERE!**

Enjoy a fun morning of basketball games and activities while connecting with fellow Rutgers graduate students! All skill levels and abilities are welcome. Please reach out to Alexander Gamble at a.gamble@scarletknights.com with any questions.

Shopping Trip Sign-Up – International Students – Saturday, March 8, 10am-1pm Location: Pick-ups from Bevier Road or Nichols Apartments on Busch Campus or College Ave Student Center on College Ave Campus

Reserve Your spot on the Shuttle **HERE!**

- RSVP NOW & COMING UP! -

NEXT WEEK! Global Showcase - Tuesday, March 11, 6pm-9pm

<u>Location: Livingston Student Center, Livingston Hall (84 Joyce Kilmer Ave, Piscataway, Livingston Campus)</u>

RSVP HERE!

Join Rutgers Global for an evening of crafts, language learning, international dances, and more! Experience the world in one night through cultural performances and interactive activities presented by Rutgers' cultural student organizations. Guests will also have the opportunity to sample international sweets and enter raffles throughout the evening with exciting prizes like \$50 Visa gift cards!

NEXT WEEK! Winter Farmers Market – Wednesday, March 12, 11am-3pm

<u>Location: Busch Student Center, International Lounge (604 Bartholomew Rd, Piscataway, Busch Campus)</u>

Missing the New Brunswick Community Farmers Market? Visit their monthly pop-up indoor winter markets for high-quality fresh produce and a variety of goods from local vendors! This market accepts Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefits, Good Food Bucks, WIC benefits, Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program benefits, and Market Bucks provided by Rutgers Student Basic Needs. Click HERE for more information about the New Brunswick Community Farmers Market and follow them on Instagram HERE.

NEXT WEEK! Free Speech and Civil Discourse Workshop - Wednesday, March 12, 12pm-2pm

<u>Location: Murray Hall, Room 302 (George St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u> **RSVP HERE!**

Join The Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression (FIRE) staff for a two-part workshop, sponsored by the Rutgers Heterodox Academy Campus Community, that covers First Amendment rights on campus and what students can do to defend them. This workshop will guide participants through exercises and techniques that support productive and intellectually open conversations about controversial topics and provide opportunities for participants to ask questions to a FIRE attorney. Food will be provided.

NEXT WEEK! Graduate Student Yoga – Thursday, March 13, 5pm-6pm

<u>Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Avenue, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

Graduate Student Yoga is part of the <u>Life @ The Graduate Student Lounge Event Series</u> and will be held every Thursday from 5-6pm.

Stop by on Thursdays to take a pause from your busy week by practicing Yoga and relax your mind and body with your fellow graduate students. Yoga mats and blocks are provided, and all skill levels are welcome! Hosted by Rutgers Recreation and Office of Graduate Student Life.

COMING UP! Author Discussion with - John Lewis: A Life - Monday, March 24, 5pm-7pm

<u>Location: Eagleton Institute of Politics (191 Ryders Lane, New Brunswick, Douglass Campus)</u>

Register <u>HERE!</u>

Join Rutgers University Professor of History and Journalism and Media Studies, David Greenberg, for a conversation surrounding his most recent book, *John Lewis: A Life.* This book is a biographical account of Lewis' personal and professional life, his role in the Civil Rights Movement, and his legacy in fighting for equality and justice. For questions, please contact Nancy Shidaheh at shihadeh@eagleton.rutgers.edu. This event is hosted by the Eagleton Institute for Politics and co-sponsored by the Rutgers History Department and School of Information and Communication.

COMING UP! "Every Body Deserves to Be Heard:" Film Screening & Strategic Narrative Building Workshop – Tuesday, March 25, 2pm-5pm

<u>Location: Livingston Student Center, Livingston Hall (84 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, Piscataway, Livingston Campus)</u>

Register **HERE** by March 24!

Join the Tyler Clementi Center for Diversity Education and Bias Prevention for a workshop on strategic narrative development, led by award-winning author and activist Alicia Roth Weigel. This event will begin with a screening of *Every Body*, a documentary

that explores intersex identity and advocacy. Following the screening, Weigel will guide participants through the principles of effective storytelling, equipping them with tools to help advocates across contexts think beyond the box, move their audiences, and drive meaningful change. Snacks and drinks will be provided. The first 50 attendees will also receive FREE copies of Weigel's book, *Inverse Cowgirl*. For questions, please contact NB Diversity at nbdiversity@rutgers.edu.

COMING UP! HIV/STI Testing - Thursday, March 27, 10am-5pm

Location: College Ave Student Center, Room 411 ABC (126 College Avenue, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Bring your RUID card to the College Ave Student Center for walk-in HIV/STI testing offered all day by Rutgers Student Health: Health Outreach, Prevention, and Education (HOPE)! Getting tested regularly is one of the most important things you can do for your health. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

- WELLNESS WORKSHOPS, GROUPS, & SUPPORT-

CAPS/ISSS International Students Support Space: Building Communities & Making Connections – Friday, March 7, 2pm-3:30pm

Location: International Center Office Building (180 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Register **HERE!**

Studying abroad and adapting to a new culture, while also trying to pursue academic and personal goals, can present several challenges. This session provides international students with a safe and welcoming space to explore strategies for improving communication skills, building meaningful connections, and navigating interpersonal relationships in a new environment.

NEXT WEEK! Time Management and Life Balance Workshop – Tuesday, March 11, 3pm-4pm

Location: Zoom (Join HERE)

Balancing academic assignments, lab and coursework, all while trying to maintain a social life and prioritize personal wellness can sometimes be grueling, and it requires careful planning. Join this graduate student wellness workshop to learn how to balance a busy schedule and explore time management strategies.

CAPS International Student Wellness Group (ISWG) – Tuesdays, 2pm-3:30pm Location: In-Person, call CAPS at 848-932-7884 to discuss whether this group would be a good fit for your needs or talk to your CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group.

Many international students face unique challenges due to cross-cultural adjustment. Some experience homesickness, loneliness, language barriers, discrimination, and different levels of acculturative stress socially and academically. This group aims to

provide these international students with a safe, confidential, and therapeutic space to help form connections and discuss various concerns with one another. Students who are interested in joining ISWG, should call CAPS at 848-932-7884 or talk to their CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to see options for other CAPS Wellness groups.

CAPS Wellness Group: Coping With Social Anxiety – Mondays, 2pm-3:25pm & Tuesdays, 6:30pm-7:55pm

Location: In-Person, call CAPS at 848-932-7884 to discuss whether this group would be a good fit for your needs or talk to your CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group.

Students who struggle with social anxiety may benefit from joining this 6-session CAPS wellness group. This group provides students with a non-judgemental, supportive, and positive environment that may help them overcome their social anxiety. It will go over what causes social anxiety and how to develop proven skills to change it. Students who are interested in joining Coping With Social Anxiety, should call CAPS at 848-932-7884 or talk to their CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group. Click HERE for more information and to see options for other CAPS Wellness groups.

CAPS Wellness Group: Stress Less With Art – Tuesdays, 5:30pm-6:30pm Location: In-Person, call CAPS at 848-932-7884 to discuss whether this group would be a good fit for your needs or talk to your CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group.

Graduate students seeking a creative outlet to relieve stress may benefit from joining this CAPS wellness group. This group offers a supportive space to navigate stress by using art as a tool to visualize, express, and reflect on thoughts, feelings, and behaviors through tough times, without the need for existing art skills. Students who are interested in joining Stress Less With Art, should call CAPS at 848-932-7884 or talk to their CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group. Click HERE for more information and to see options for other CAPS Wellness groups.

Graduate Student Wellness Group: RU Grad – Fridays, 1pm-2:30pm Location: In-Person, call CAPS at 848-932-7884 to discuss whether this group would be a good fit for your needs or talk to your CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group.

Graduate students looking for a safe space or supportive environment to share and explore struggles/feelings they may have—whether this be anxiety, self-esteem, sustaining or forming relationships, and the like, may benefit from joining this graduate student wellness group. This group may cover topics including: social adjustment and loneliness, romantic relationships, navigating conflicts/challenges with peers and professors, feelings of inadequacy, assertiveness, stress management and balancing family life and academics. Students who are interested in joining the RU Grad Group.

should call CAPS at 848-932-7884 or talk to their CAPS Clinician about a referral to this wellness group. Click <u>HERE</u> to see options for other CAPS Wellness groups and for more information about the RU Grad Group.

Low Cost ADHD Assessments through the Rutgers Center for Youth Social Emotional Wellness and the Graduate School of Applied & Professional Psychology Center for Psychological Services

The Rutgers Center for Youth Social Emotional Wellness (CYSEW) in partnership with the Graduate School of Applied & Professional Psychology Center for Psychological Services (GSAPP) is now offering low-cost psychological assessments to all Rutgers Students. Assessments are \$150 and include a comprehensive screening for ADHD, anxiety, and depression, a detailed diagnostic report with resources, and a feedback session. To request a virtual assessment scheduled at your convenience, click <a href="https://example.com/heres/her

Couples Therapy Services Available at NJ Couples Clinic at the Rutgers Psychological Clinic

<u>Location: Rutgers Psychology Building, NJ Couples Clinic (152 Frelinghuysen Road, Piscataway, Busch Campus)</u>

The Rutgers University Couple Therapy Clinic is now offering evidence-based couples therapy, provided under expert supervision by advanced graduate students in clinical psychology. The clinic aims to provide a safe and supportive environment where couples and individuals can work on their relationship goals, whether it be overcoming challenges or simply enhancing their connection with their partner. The NJ Couples Clinic provides services such as guidance through communication improvement, conflict resolution, intimacy rekindling, and managing life transitions. Services are free to those with Rutgers Student Insurance and offered at a low sliding scale fee to those without. Contact Co-Director of the NJ Couples Clinic at Rutgers and GSAPP professor Karen Riggs kskean@gsapp.rutgers.edu with any questions.

Weekly Let's Talk Drop In Counseling Conversations

Free Private and Confidential Drop-In Conversations with licensed mental health professionals available in-person or virtual. CAPS Community Based Counselors offer support and counseling services from within university communities—including academic schools and cultural centers. Students are welcome to visit any Community Based Counselor they would like, and may choose a counselor based on the topic they would like to discuss and the counselor's therapeutic approach or community. Click HERE for information and schedules for Let's Talk sessions and click HERE to learn more about individual CAPS Community Based Counselors (look for "Community Based-Counselor").

Uwill: FREE Immediate-Access to Teletherapy

Uwill provides free immediate access to teletherapy through an easy-to-use, private, secure, confidential, online platform. Choose a therapist based on your preferences, including issue, gender, language, and ethnicity. Select a time that fits your schedule, including day, night, and weekend availability. Register and book your first session using your Rutgers email HERE.

- ACADEMIC SUPPORT & WORKSHOPS -

Research Methods Workshop: Crafting Your Search Strategy - A Workshop for Systematic and Scoping Review Writers in the Social Sciences – Wednesday, March 5, 5:30pm-7pm

Location: Virtual Register HERE!

Join Evidence Synthesis Graduate Specialist, Jayati Bist, for this Research Methods workshop! Geared towards social sciences students who are considering writing a systematic or scoping review, this workshop offers an opportunity to engage with several different search techniques, databases, and tools that will allow them to confidently create and document their search strategy. Click HERE to view more workshops offered by Rutgers libraries.

NEXT WEEK! Research Methods Workshop: Data-Driven Decision Making - A/B Testing and Statistical Hypothesis Testing - Monday, March 10, 2pm-3:30pm Location: Virtual

Register <u>HERE!</u>

Join Data Science Graduate Specialist Tanya Khanna for this statistical analysis workshop! This session will equip participants with the knowledge and skills to make informed decisions based on empirical data and covers the fundamental concepts surrounding A/B testing and statistical hypothesis testing, practical implementation, and how to interpret results. Click HERE to view more workshops offered by Rutgers libraries.

NEXT WEEK! Research Methods Workshop: R For Reproducible Scientific Documents - knitr, rmarkdown, and Beyond - Wednesday, March 12, 2pm-3:30pm Location: Virtual

Register <u>HERE!</u>

Join the Rutgers Libraries Data Librarian, Ryan Womack, for this Data Science workshop! This session introduces RStudio, an environment that enables easy creation of documents in various formats (HTML, DOC, PDF), and *knitr*, which enables the integration of executable R code to generate tables and figures. The workshop will also cover additional packages and best practices for ensuring reproducibility within the R environment. Click HERE to view more workshops offered by Rutgers libraries.

Spring 2025 New Brunswick Libraries Data and Research Methods Workshops for Graduate Students!

The New Brunswick Libraries' calendar of data and research methods workshops for Spring 2025 is available now. Don't miss workshops on machine learning, R, Python, systematic reviews, NVivo, ethnography, qualitative research, and more! Click HERE to view the full schedule of workshops and register. Additional workshops will be added throughout the semester so be sure to check back regularly!

Graduate Writing Accountability Groups

The Graduate Writing Program, in partnership with the Learning Centers in the Office of the Provost, is pleased to announce the launch of Writing Accountability Groups. Interested graduate students are invited to sign up for student-led writing accountability groups. Sessions will be held on Zoom at various times and days each week and students may choose the weekly slot that best suits their availability to meet and write alongside other Rutgers graduate students to make progress toward their writing goals. After registering, participants will be provided with materials to help them effectively structure and run these student-led productivity sessions. Click HERE to sign up for a Graduate Writing Accountability Group.

Academic Coaching with Dr. Wilson Ng

Meet Dr. Wilson Ng (he/him/his), the newly appointed Senior Program Coordinator and Academic Coach for Graduate Student Services at the Rutgers Learning Centers. Dr. Ng provides one-on-one academic coaching and facilitates workshops and programming tailored to graduate students. With a background in college student affairs and years of experience in student development and support, he is eager to bring his expertise to the Rutgers community and looks forward to collaborating with students as they navigate their academic journeys in graduate school! Click HERE to make a one-on-one appointment with Dr. Ng via Penji. For any questions, email him at wwn2@echo.rutgers.edu.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, FUNDING, & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT -

LinkedIn for the Non-Academic Job Search – Tuesday, March 4, 3pm Location: Virtual

Register HERE!

Doctoral students are invited to this hands-on workshop, designed to help them leverage LinkedIn for exploring and securing non-academic career opportunities. This session will guide participants in optimizing their profiles to showcase transferable skills and research expertise, identifying potential career paths, and building

professional connections. Participants will also learn effective networking strategies, including engaging with alumni and industry professionals, as well as how to leverage LinkedIn tools such as job search features and recommendations.

Presentation: A National Framework for Equitable and Effective Teaching in STEM – Friday, March 7, 10am-11am

Location: Computing Research and Education (CoRE) Building, Room 101 (96 Frelinghuysen Rd, Piscataway, Busch Campus)

Register **HERE**!

Join Dr. Tracie Addy, director of the Institute for Teaching, Innovation, and Inclusive Pedagogy, for an insightful presentation on the future of STEM education. This session will go over an educational framework developed by a committee convened by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, outlining evidence-based strategies to foster more equitable and effective teaching within undergraduate STEM programs. View the registration link above for more details. For additional questions, please email Dr. Jamie Kim at jk2301@nbcp.rutgers.edu.

COMING UP! Grant Seeking 101 for Postdocs and Doctoral Students – Tuesday, March 11, 2pm-4pm

Location: Virtual RSVP HERE!

In this webinar, James Gentry, director of postdoctoral affairs at Ohio State University, and Kaylee Steen, associate director of graduate and postdoctoral studies in the University of Michigan Medical School, will present grant seeking strategies for postdoctoral and late-stage doctoral students. The session will provide advice on pursuing and applying for grants, including tailoring grant search based on citizenship status, research discipline, and career stages. Attendees will also learn how to enhance their grant writing skills, and identify common elements within most grant proposals, and more.

COMING UP! From Research to Impact: Innovation and Research Commercialization at Rutgers for Graduate Students – Tuesday, March 11, 3pm Academic Building West, Room 1170 (15 Seminary Pl, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus) and Virtual

Register **HERE!**

In collaboration with the RU Technology Transfer, this workshop will explore how Rutgers supports innovation and brings research to the market. This session is designed for graduate students, especially doctoral candidates who can potentially be inventors on patents with their PIs, and covers intellectual property protection, industry collaborations, and entrepreneurship. Participants will also be introduced to available resources, including the Technology Transfer Training Program, Educational Road to Commercialization Symposium Series, Rutgers Innovation Awards for student

categories, and more. This workshop aims to equip students with the tools needed to effectively navigate academic research and commercialization, allowing them to make meaningful contributions within and beyond the university.

Call for Applications: Eagleton Graduate Fellowship Program in Politics and Government

Apply **HERE** by 5pm on Monday, March 31!

Both full- and part-time Rutgers Graduate students are now eligible to apply for the Class of 2025-2026 Eagleton Graduate Fellowship Program. This one-year, interdisciplinary cohort certificate program offers a stipend and tuition support, as well as the opportunity for students to gain a deeper understanding of American government, meet political leaders and staffers doing the work in public policy, and explore how American politics impacts their field of study. Click HERE to learn more about the fellowship and its offerings.

- SCHOLARSHIP, & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES -

Build a Fellowship Plan with GradFund!

<u>GradFund</u> provides graduate students with information on how to apply for external scholarship, fellowship, and funding opportunities. GradFund also provides guidance and assistance with application processes.

Schedule an appointment with a GradFund advisor for fellowship assistance! Schedule a Planning Meeting to learn how to search for fellowships and grants or to plan out your future funding applications. Request Help with a Funder to learn about the funder's application review process and find the best way to frame your research plans for a particular application. Book an Application Review appointment to have a GradFund advisor review your application materials for one application. Schedule a Post-Award Consultation for advice on moving forward after receiving a fellowship offer. Wherever you are in the fellowship, grant, or award process, GradFund is here to help! Click HERE for more information on GradFund and click HERE to schedule a Gradfund appointment.

Learn to Write a Competitive Funding Application with GradFund's FREE Self-Paced Canvas Course

Learn to write a competitive external funding application using GradFund's FREE self-paced Canvas course! This course teaches the art of competitive proposal writing through developing familiarity with both funders in your field of study and the proposal writing genre. Click HERE to enroll in GradFund's self-paced Canvas course.

The Office of Financial Aid can provide information about need-based funding and financial aid. Other forms of need-based aid or scholarships may be available through your school of enrollment.

- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES -

Market Ambassador – Rutgers Community Farmers Market (On-Campus Employment)

Compensation: \$20 per hour, Part time, flexible hours

Position Dates: May 1, 2025 - November 2025 (extension dependent on funding)

Location: Onsite (Various on campus locations and in New Brunswick)

Apply via email by March 7!

The Rutgers Community Farmers Market is hiring Market Ambassadors for the 2025 season. Market Ambassadors are responsible for: setting up and breaking down the market; assisting customers to navigate the market, complete transactions, and connect with additional health- and food-related resources; providing excellent customer service; and assisting with bookkeeping and records management for farmers market operations. Applicants must be able to transport themselves to the various Market locations, independently lift up to 20lbs, and be able to communicate/translate materials (speak, read, and write) in at least one additional language (especially Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, or Korean. Applicants with an interest or background in communications, social media management, food security, social services, or small business are also encouraged. To apply, please email Senior Program Administrator, Lucille Tang tel606@njaes.rutgers.edu, with a resume and brief statement of interest.

Student Translator and Program Worker (Mandarin Chinese) – Rutgers Global: Global Initiatives Office

Compensation: \$15.50-\$17/hr, Part-time, 15 hrs per week

Position Dates: March 1 - May 31

Location: Hybrid or On-site

Apply HERE by March 14!

The Rutgers Global - Global Initiatives Office is seeking to hire first year graduate students with native to near fluency level Mandarin Chinese and English to serve as part-time interpreters for the 2025-2026 academic year. This position offers an opportunity to develop professional, networking, and social media skills. Interpreters may be responsible for: translating professional documents from English to Chinese and Chinese to English, as well as translating news articles and university announcements to be posted on the Rutgers Global WeChat Page; reviewing and editing Chinese translations to ensure professional quality; interpreting faculty lectures and Q & A sessions from English to Mandarin for Chinese audiences, including government officials, business professionals, and university administrators; serving as a Program Coordinator for in-person and online programming; recording social media data analytics and assisting in cleaning data records; and acting as the main liaison between Chinese/international program participants. Please review the job posting for additional details.

Graduate Data Management Student Worker – Mason Gross Office of Admissions and Enrollment Management

Compensation: \$20 per hour, 10 hours per week

Position Dates: April 3 - May 12

Location: Hybrid

Apply HERE by March 17, 2025 at 6am!

The Mason Gross Office of Admissions and Enrollment Management is seeking a graduate student with a background in computer science or data analytics to assist with data management. This role's primary responsibility is to assist in cleaning and consolidating data, including historical admissions, to ensure accurate and streamlined reporting. This position will also be responsible for working with the Assistant Dean and Rutgers Central to obtain and clean admissions data within the past five years. Other duties may include retrieving and integrating data to ensure a comprehensive dataset using programs such as Slideroom and Airtable, as well as organizing said data for accurate reports. Please review the job posting for additional details.

Residence Hall Director – Rutgers-New Brunswick Office of Summer & Winter Sessions

Compensation: \$20 per hour, full time summer employment

Position Dates: June 1, 2025 - August 25, 2025

Location: Onsite

Apply **HERE** by 7am on August 13!

The Rutgers Office of Summer and Winter Sessions at Rutgers-New Brunswick is hiring graduate students to serve as residence hall directors during residential summer pre-college academies. The Academies are one-week (Sunday to Saturday) intensive, residential certificate programs for both domestic and international pre-college students ages 16 to 18. The primary responsibility of the Residence Hall Director is to offer leadership in managing the residential operations of Pre-College Summer Academies while ensuring a secure environment that fosters both academic advancement and personal development for resident students. Key duties include guiding a team of Resident Assistants in executing necessary activities and services to establish an inclusive community aligned with the mission and objectives of Residence Life. Please review the job posting for additional details.

THE RESOURCE CORNER

Gender Affirming Care Services Provided by Rutgers Student Health

Rutgers Student Health provides a wide range of gender affirming care services including assistance with medical and counseling services. Rutgers Student Health can provide assistance related to transitioning including: medical counseling, hormone therapy, hormone-level monitoring, referrals to external healthcare providers such as endocrinologists or surgeons, and signing official name-change documents. Rutgers

Student Health Services also provides a variety of counseling services including: structured evidence-based individual counseling, group counseling, crisis management, substance abuse assessment and treatment, psychiatric services, and referrals to community providers. To learn more about the gender affirming care services provided by Rutgers Student Health, click HERE. You can contact Rutgers Student Health by phone at 848-932-7402 or email at health@rutgers.edu.

Free Professional Legal Services For Rutgers Students!

Rutgers University Student Legal Services offers professional legal advice and assistance to eligible Rutgers– New Brunswick students at no cost by attorneys licensed to practice in New Jersey! Student Legal Services offers legal consultations on various matters including: tenant/landlord disputes, domestic violence, traffic violations, intellectual property, immigration/INS/DACA, civil suits, and more. They also provide notary services, attorney referrals, community outreach & education, and pre-law advising services. Click HERE for more information about the services offered by Rutgers University Student Legal Services.

STUDENT SERVICES & SUPPORT

Resource Webpage for Pregnant and Parenting Graduate Students!

The Office of Graduate Student Life, in partnership with the Office of Title IX & Compliance, and Supporting Parents & Caregivers at Rutgers (GSO), recently launched a new resource webpage for pregnant and parenting graduate students! This webpage serves as a platform for helping pregnant and parenting students locate resources, policies, support services, and community engagement opportunities available at Rutgers University and in the local community. Click HERE to visit the webpage.

Academic, Employment, and Student Support Resources on the Graduate Student Life Website!

Looking for graduate student resources, services, or support? Check out our newly revamped resource pages on our website! Find information on <u>Academic Support Resources</u>, <u>Career & Professional Development</u>, <u>Student Support Services & Resources</u> and more on our website!

Do you have an opportunity for graduate students that you would like to promote in the Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest? Submit it <u>HERE!</u>