



Graduate Student Life

Weekly Digest

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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 [HERE](#) to view the 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 [HERE!](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Check out the Graduate Student Life Resource Guide!

Missed the Graduate Welcome Reception and Resource Fair on September 12? Not to worry! The Office of Graduate Student Life has created a resource guide with information about the 30+ university departments and 6 affinity and non-academic-based Graduate Student Organizations (GSOs) that participated. Click [HERE](#) to access this helpful go-to resource guide.

Starting Next Week: Graduate Student Career Advising Drop-In Hours!

Starting next week, Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhyay, Sr. Assistant Director, Graduate Student Career Pathways in the Office of Career Exploration and Success will begin hosting drop in hours for graduate students every other Tuesday in the Graduate Student Lounge!

10/15 is the Last Chance to Submit Voter Registration Changes in NJ!

If you're planning to vote in the General Election on November 5th, make sure your voter registration is up-to-date. [The RU Voting program](#) recommends all voters check their voter registration status for the state in which they are registered so they can

successfully cast their ballot this fall. If you are registered to vote in New Jersey, all voter registration changes must be submitted by 11:59pm on October 15th. Out of state students should click [HERE](#) to check the deadlines for their state.

– 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 [Newsletters page](#) 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

– RSVP NOW & COMING UP! –

NEXT WEEK: Off Campus Housing Fair - Monday, October 21, 1pm-4pm

Location: College Ave Student Center, Main Lounge (126 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

The Off-Campus Housing Fair is a comprehensive event designed to help students explore their off-campus living options. It provides a unique opportunity to connect directly with landlords and property managers, as well as access valuable campus and community resources. At the fair, students can get answers to all their off-campus living questions, including guidance on safety, lease reviews, and available properties. This is a one-stop shop for everything students need to make informed decisions about off-campus housing! Click [HERE](#) for more information.

NEXT WEEK: SPCR Family Photoshoot and Social Mixer - Monday, October 21, 4pm-6pm

Location: Passion Puddle (71 Lipman Dr, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglas Campus)

Register [HERE](#) by noon 12pm on October 21!

Supporting Parents and Caregivers at Rutgers (SPCR) is hosting an October Family Photoshoot event where families can gather, chat, and get some new family photos and/or headshots taken by a professional photographer! Bring your child(ren) to enjoy coffee, juice, doughnuts, and Halloween candies! Halloween costumes are welcome! Please contact the Co-Presidents of SPCR, Halimat and Aila rutgersgradparents@gmail.com with any questions.

STARTING NEXT WEEK: Career Advising Drop-Ins with Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhyay (CES) - Tuesday, October 22, 4:30pm-6pm

Location: Graduate Student Lounge, 126 College Ave (Behind Panera Bread), College Ave Campus and on [ZOOM](#)

CES Drop in hours are part of the [Life @ The Graduate Student Lounge Event Series](#) and will be held every other Tuesday in the fall semester, starting October 22 from 4:30 - 6:00 pm.

Do you wonder how the Office of Career Exploration and Success can support you in your career journey? What sort of targeted resources does Rutgers have for graduate students on the job market? Drop in to chat about these questions and more with Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhyay, Sr. Assistant Director, Graduate Student Career Pathways in the Office of Career Exploration and Success. You can also book a one-on-one advising session with Dr. Gangopadhyay on [Handshake](#) or reach her via email at rudrani.g@rutgers.edu.

NEXT WEEK: Graduate Student Yoga – Wednesday, October 23, 5pm–6pm

Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Ave, behind Panera Bread, College Ave Campus)

*Graduate Yoga is part of the [Life @ The Graduate Student Lounge Event Series](#) and is held every Wednesday. **PLEASE NOTE: There will be no class THIS week on 10/16!***

Graduate Student Yoga is back! Join us on Wednesdays and take a pause from your busy week by practicing Yoga and relax your mind and body with your fellow graduate students. Hosted by Rutgers Recreation and Office of Graduate Student Life. No Registration Needed. Yoga mats and blocks are provided, and all skill levels are welcome! Email gradstudentlife@echo.rutgers.edu with any questions.

REGISTER NOW: Graduate Student Poetry Workshop with Alyea Pierce, New Jersey State Theatre Artist-in-Residence - Thursday, October 24, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Ave, behind Panera Bread, College Ave Campus)

Register to attend [HERE](#)! Only 40 spaces available!

Alyea Pierce is an award-winning poet with over 20 years of poetry and performance experience using spoken word poetry and audio to amplify the lost voices of history.

She has performed internationally, as well as at colleges and universities across the country, Off-Broadway venues, and Poetry Slam spaces! Alyea will lead participants through an inspiring process for unlocking creativity and self-expression. "As a black woman writer, her mission is to focus on what stories are not being told, and as a first-generation Caribbean-American and Educator, she strives to always be conscious of what experiences make us who we are." Read more about Alyea Pierce [HERE](#).

COMING UP! Fall Farmers Market – Thursday, October 24, 11am-3pm

Location: Morrell Street outside the Graduate Student Lounge & College Ave Student Center (126 College Ave, College Ave Campus)

The next New Brunswick Community Farmers Market will be October 24! Visit for high-quality fresh fruits and vegetables, honey, flowers, and more! Many vendors accept 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.

COMING UP: Flu Vaccination Clinic – Wednesday, October 30, 12:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Busch Student Center, Multipurpose Room, (604 Bartholomew Rd, Piscataway, Busch Campus)

Rutgers Student Health is offering walk-in flu vaccination clinics through November! Students can bring their RU ID and health insurance card to the walk-clinic and get their annual flu vaccine. The first 100 students at each walk-in clinic will receive a free t-shirt! Click [HERE](#) for more information about the Rutgers Student Health walk-in flu vaccine clinics. Students who wish to schedule an appointment instead to receive their flu vaccine may do so [HERE](#) through the Student Health portal.

– THIS WEEK! –

Flu Vaccination Clinic – Wednesday, October 16, 12:00pm-7:00pm

Location: Douglass Student Center, Traves Hall, (100 George St, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglass Campus)

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Navigating the News in the 2024 Election – Wednesday, October 16, 7pm-8pm

Location: Cook Student Center, Multipurpose Room (59 Biel Rd, New Brunswick, Cook Campus)

Register [HERE](#) by 7pm on October 16!

Join the Eagleton Institute of Politics for a moderated discussion on media in the era of disinformation led by NPR's Michel Martin and American Sunlight Project, Co-Founder and CFO Nina Jankowicz.

Shopping Trip Sign-Up – International Students – Thursday, October 17, 5pm-8pm

Location: Pick-ups from Bevier Road or Nichols Apartments on Busch Campus

Reserve Your spot on the Shuttle [HERE!](#)

Rutgers Global–International Student and Scholar Services arrange shopping shuttles to local stores throughout the semester and summer so students can purchase groceries and other living essentials. You should sign up to reserve your spot on the shuttle. International students and scholars who have signed up will be given preference to ride on the shuttle. You may also register your dependents for the shuttle. To view the full fall schedule of shopping trips and learn more information about the Shopping Shuttle Service, click [HERE](#).

Rutgers Symphonic Winds & Rutgers Symphony Band: "Epic Mixtape" - Thursday, October 17, 7:30 PM

Location: Nicholas Music Center, Rutgers University Inn and Conference Center, (85 George St, New Brunswick, Douglass Campus)

Experience "Epic Mixtape" with Rutgers Symphonic Winds and Rutgers Symphony Band, a performance that will feature global popular music from different eras arranged for a concert band. Enjoy a diverse repertoire featuring styles from the Renaissance, Classical Era, Jazz, Contemporary/Film, and Modern Dance/Electronic. This is a free, unticketed event. Can't make it? Livestream the performance [HERE!](#) Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Scarlet Tabletop Gaming League Game Night – Friday, October 18, 7pm-10pm

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

Tabletop game enthusiasts are invited to join the Scarlet Tabletop Gaming League for their monthly evening of fellowship and fun! This is a space where beginners and enthusiasts alike can unwind and immerse themselves in the intellectual challenges of strategic and thematic board games. Come play games like Francis Drake, Heat: Pedal to the Metal, Werewolf, 6 Nimmt! and more! Come connect with fellow tabletop gamers, build lasting friendships, and share a love for board games. Contact Alex Nesenjuk an525@scarletmail.rutgers.edu with any questions.

Mason Gross School of the Arts Presents: *Mud Row* - Friday, October 18 through Saturday, October 26, performances at 2:00 PM & 7:30 PM

Location: Philip Levin Theater, (85 George Street, New Brunswick, Douglass Campus)

Purchase tickets [HERE](#) (be sure to select your preferred performance date from list of dates on the left of the screen before purchasing)

Mason Gross School of the Arts will be performing *Mud Row* by Dominique Morisseau, from October 18-26. In *Mud Row*, familial love and generational conflict are contemplated in two parallel narratives. Set in the East End of West Chester, Pennsylvania, one sister fights in the Civil Rights movement while the other focuses on social mobility in a series of flashbacks. Years later, the estranged granddaughters of these two women are forced together when one inherits her granny's house. Student tickets can be purchased for \$10.

AfroBeats Workout Class – Saturday, October 19, 11:30am–12:15pm

Location: Cook/Douglass Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room (50 Biel Rd, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglass Campus)

AfroBeats Workout Class is held every Saturday from 11:30am-12:15pm.

Join graduate instructor Zina Ogunnaya for Afrobeats Workout Class, a modern spin on traditional Nigerian dance! AfroBeats is open to all participants interested in the art of dance and cultural exploration of Afrobeats. Bring water and comfortable tennis shoes for our beginner-intermediate level class. No dance background is needed to enjoy the mix of cardio and choreography in this class!

Zimmerli Art Museum Highlights Tour - Saturday, October 19, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Location: Zimmerli Art Museum, (71 Hamilton St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Join the Zimmerli Art Museum for their new Highlights Tour series! This monthly series features curated tours led by the museum's student educators who will guide you through the galleries and showcase a selection of remarkable artwork. Free and open to the public. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

– WELLNESS WORKSHOPS, GROUPS, & SUPPORT–

Educational Workshop: PTSD is Everywhere, Let's Talk About It – Wednesday, October 16, 4pm-6pm

Location: Zoom (register to receive link)

Register [HERE!](#)

Join the office of Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance for this educational workshop about post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Demystifying Mental Health Evaluations for College & Graduate School: A Panel & Discussion – Thursday, October 17, 5:30pm-6:30pm

Location: Virtual (register to receive link)

Register [HERE!](#)

Have you ever wondered whether you or a loved one should pursue a mental health evaluation? In celebration of Disabilities Awareness Month in October, this panel will explain the different types of evaluations, their purposes, and the strengths and weaknesses of each. This panel draws expertise from psychologists, a

neuropsychologist, and a student advocate on mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI) and ADHD. The panelists will also discuss low-cost Rutgers campus resources.

NEXT WEEK: International Student Wellness Workshop: Fear of Missing Out (FOMO) is Real! – Thursday, October 24, 5pm-6:30pm

Location: Rutgers Global ISSS (180 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Register to attend [HERE!](#)

Join CAPS and RU Global ISSS for this fall wellness workshop! Are you having difficulty building a community here at Rutgers or struggling to fit in? This CAPS/ISSS wellness workshop provides students with a safe space to discuss the quality of their interpersonal relationships, social connections, and aims to help students improve their communication skills to connect with others. Snacks will be provided!

Scuba Therapy Group for Survivors of Violence or Trauma

Sign up for a pre-screening [HERE!](#)

The Office of Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance (VPVA) is launching a new therapy group that utilizes scuba diving as a tool for healing! The Beneath the Surface Scuba Group is not a typical therapy group, it is a unique scuba diving experience that focuses on trust, empowerment, and letting go. Led by professional divers, participants will learn to scuba in the safety of the Werblin Rec Center pools, and will follow up with reflective sessions with a counselor. This program is free and will run on Thursdays from October 24th to November 21st. No prior scuba experience required. Participants must complete a pre-screening. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Free or Low-Cost Assessments for ADHD, Anxiety, and Depression

The Rutgers Center for Youth Social Emotional Wellness (CYSEW) in collaboration with the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology's (GSAPP) Center for Psychological Services (CPS) is offering comprehensive evaluations for ADHD, Anxiety, and Depression by trained PsyD clinicians at low or no cost to Rutgers Students. Assessments are conducted through convenient, confidential, virtual sessions. Students will receive a feedback session and diagnostic report along with a detailed list of support services and resources available at Rutgers. Students covered by Rutgers health insurance will pay \$0 for an evaluation, those not covered by Rutgers health insurance will pay \$150. Click [HERE](#) for more information, Click [HERE](#) to request services, and email cysew@gsapp.rutgers.edu with any questions.

ACCESS Program for Graduate Students with ADHD and Autism

The Rutgers College Support Program (CSP), run collaboratively with the Center for Youth Social Emotional Wellness (CYSEW) and Center for Adult Autism Services (RCAAS) is offering the [well-researched ACCESS program](#) for graduate students with ADHD and Autism. The ACCESS program provides small group and individual

mentoring services that focus on psychoeducation, behavioral skills & strategies, and cognitive skills & strategies to help students build social connections, organization and time management skills, learn to navigate the resources available to them at Rutgers, boost motivation and counteract negative thought patterns, and more. The ACCESS program is available in-person and virtually. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the ACCESS program, click [HERE](#) to express your interest in participating in the ACCESS program, no diagnosis required. There is a \$1,000 participation cost for the semester, sliding scale pricing is available. Please contact Program Coordinator Sophia Frontale sf924@gsapp.rutgers.edu with any questions.

New Arts and Wellbeing Program – Scarlet Arts Rx

Discover the transformative power of the arts through a new FREE arts and well-being program for all Rutgers–New Brunswick students– Scarlet Arts Rx! Arts engagement is related to improvements in: mood, Sleep quality, Social connections, Self-confidence, Creative thinking skills, and more! You don't need to be an artist to participate in Scarlet Arts Rx and get: free reserved Mason Gross School of the Arts (MGSA) box office tickets for theater, dance, and music performances (and you can bring RU-NB friends for free), opportunities to connect socially and meet new people, and higher self-awareness about how the arts affect your well-being. Each time you fill out a 1-minute feedback survey after each RU-NB arts activity or event you attend, you can be entered into a monthly drawing for a chance to win a \$50 gift card. Sign up for Scarlet Arts Rx [HERE](#), and check out Scarlet Arts Rx on getINVOLVED [HERE](#). Please contact Peichi Waite pw337@mgsa.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 –

Data & Research Methods Workshop: Getting Started with ArcGIS Online – Thursday, October 17, 12pm-1:30pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join the Rutgers Libraries for this Data and Research Methods Workshop! This interactive workshop will cover basic GIS (Geographic Information System) concepts using ArcGIS Online, a browser-based GIS available to everyone at Rutgers that can be a useful tool for research allowing you to incorporate location when exploring questions. Be sure to register for an ArcGIS Online account [HERE](#) before the start of the workshop.

Learning Centers Graduate Workshop: Unleash Your Productivity – Thursday, October 17, 1pm-2pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join the Learning Centers for this academic success workshop in their Graduate Workshop Series! Click [HERE](#) to view other academic success workshops offered by the Learning Centers. Please reach out to Lucille Leung llu@echo.rutgers.edu with any questions.

Data & Research Methods Workshop: Coding and Queries in NVivo – Friday, October 18, 1pm-2:30pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join Xu Guo, Graduate Specialist in Qualitative Methods for the Rutgers Libraries Graduate Specialists program for this Data and Research Methods Workshop! This workshop is aimed at NVivo users who need to code and analyze qualitative data. It will cover coding and uncoding data, running queries, and visualizing coded data.

NEXT WEEK! Learning Centers Graduate Workshop: Lit Review 101 – Monday, October 21, 12pm-1pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join the Learning Centers for this academic success workshop in their Graduate Workshop Series! Click [HERE](#) to view other academic success workshops offered by the Learning Centers. Please reach out to Lucille Leung llu@echo.rutgers.edu with any questions.

NEXT WEEK! Introduction to Machine Learning: Supervised Learning – Monday, October 21, 4pm-5:30pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join Tanya Khanna, Graduate Specialist in Data Science for the Rutgers Libraries Graduate Specialists program for this Data and Research Methods Workshop! This workshop is tailored for beginners in machine learning. It focuses on supervised learning algorithms that are a cornerstone of machine learning, where the algorithm learns from labeled training data, helping to predict outcomes for unforeseen data. Classification and Regression will be introduced. Participants will learn about key algorithms like Linear Regression and ensemble methods like Random Forests and Gradient Boosting Machines for improved prediction accuracy.

NEXT WEEK! Using AI Powered Tools to Conduct a Literature Search – Thursday, October 24, 12:30pm-1:30pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Join Science Research Librarian, Mei Ling Lo of the Rutgers Libraries for this Data and Research Methods Workshop! This workshop will discuss how to unlock the potential of AI-powered tools to revolutionize the literature search process and engage in a comparative analysis of different AI tools and understand their strengths and limitations while giving insights into which tools might be the best fit for specific research needs.

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

The New Brunswick Libraries' calendar of data and research methods workshops for Fall 2024 is available now. Check out workshops in citation managers, R, Python, systematic reviews, NVivo, ethnography, qualitative research, GIS, and more. Click [HERE](#) to view the full schedule of workshops and register. more workshops will be added later in the month on data science, so stay tuned for additional announcements. Please contact Francesca Giannetti, NBL Graduate Specialist Program francesca.giannetti@rutgers.edu with any questions.

Scholarly Writing Support Available from the Graduate Writing Program

The Graduate Writing Program supports graduate students in achieving their scholarly writing goals by offering writing workshops, guest lectures, and free, zero-credit courses that carry no additional work other than writing students are already completing for their academic programs. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the Graduate Writing Program and [HERE](#) to learn more about the courses offered by the Graduate Writing Program. Please reach out to the Director of the Graduate Writing Program, Mark DiGiacomo mark.digiacomo@rutgers.edu with any questions.

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.

Stats & Writing Tutoring Available from the Learning Centers

The Rutgers Learning Centers offers stats and writing tutoring to graduate students. Learning Centers stats tutors can assist with quantitative study methods, analysis, interpretation, data clean-up, statistical software, and more. Graduate-level writing tutors can provide helpful feedback and suggestions on all aspects of your writing, from brainstorming and organizing topics, to creating and strengthening a thesis, to revisions and citations. Use Penji to connect with a tutor. Click [HERE](#) to learn how to use Penji online or download the Penji app. Please contact academiccoaches@echo.rutgers.edu with any questions or issues using Penji. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the resources available to graduate students through the Learning Centers.

Academic Coaching from the Learning Centers

The Rutgers Learning Centers offers academic coaching to graduate students. Academic Coaching can be particularly helpful for tackling motivation challenges, breaking down large tasks into more approachable segments, and seeking accountability for productivity. Several of Rutgers' Academic Coaches specifically support graduate students. Use Penji to join the Academic Coaching community and connect with an Academic Coach. Click [HERE](#) to learn how to use Penji online or download the Penji app. Please contact academiccoaches@echo.rutgers.edu with any questions or issues using Penji.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, FUNDING, & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

– PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT –

Research Cafe: Call for Presenters – Submit by Thursday, October 31
Submit an application [HERE!](#)

Graduate students in all disciplinary areas are invited to apply to present their research at Research Cafe! Research Cafe brings together the entire graduate student

community to enhance scholarly literacy and interdisciplinary research communication. Providing a platform for emerging researchers to connect, share their in-progress research or scholarship, and benefit from peer feedback in a friendly, low-stakes setting. Previous Research Cafe presenters have covered topics ranging from feminist literature in the 17th century to antiretroviral therapy, so all research is welcome! Research Cafe is hosted once per month for one hour on Zoom. Please reach out to Dr. Ramazon Güngör rg835@grad.rutgers.edu with any questions.

Teaching Assistant Project (TAP) Workshop: Teaching Practical & Statistical Labs – Thursday, October 17, 12pm-1:30pm

Location: Zoom

Register [HERE!](#)

Each semester the Teaching Assistant Project (TAP) offers workshops covering a wide range of topics to assist TAs with their continued professional development. These sessions, designed for current and future graduate student TAs, are free. All workshops are virtual. Teaching Assistant Project Staff at School of Graduate Studies are here to help! Feel free to contact them with questions at tapweb@grad.rutgers.edu.

– SCHOLARSHIP, & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES –

SGS Conference and Research Travel Award Program

Apply [HERE](#) by December 15!

The School of Graduate Studies Conference and Research Award program is designed to provide support to Ph.D. students in the School of Graduate Studies (School 16) who do not have access to the [conference funding programs available through the New Brunswick/Piscataway and Newark Biomedical Sciences programs](#). The purpose of the SGS Conference and Research Award program is to help offset costs associated with off-campus research activities and presenting at academic, scholarly, and scientific conferences. Students may apply for a \$1000 stipend to support research or conference travel between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025. Click [HERE](#) for more information about the SGS Conference and Research Travel Award Program and to access the application. Please contact SGS_Awards@grad.rutgers.edu with any questions.

Build a Fellowship Plan with GradFund!

[GradFund](#) 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 –

Part Time Art Handler - Zimmerli Art Museum

Compensation: \$30 per hour, 19.9 hours per week

Location: On site

Apply [HERE](#) by October 30!

The Zimmerli Art Museum is hiring a part time Art Handler to facilitate massive photo sessions of artwork to be featured on the Dodge Website and assist in all aspects of handling works of art such as packing, unpacking, transporting, and storage of works of art, and mounting/unmounting for photography and exhibitions. Students with a background in studio art, museum studies, or related art fields, and experience handling art in similar environments are encouraged to apply. Please review the job posting for additional details.

Part Time Research Assistant – Student Success & Retention

Compensation: \$22-25 an hour, 20 hours per week

Position dates: October 2024 - June 2025

Location: Hybrid

Apply [HERE](#) by October 25!

Graduate students with a background in data science, statistics, education, or a related field are invited to apply to work as a Research Assistant on a grant-funded project designed to systematically collect and analyze data that can inform new strategies for supporting student retention and success particularly among historically underrepresented student populations. The Research Assistant will run reports, analyze data, identify trends, generate insights, and assist the co-leads in developing

actionable recommendations to improve student retention. Ideal applicants will have strong analytical skills, experience with data management, keen attention to detail, the ability to work independently, and a passion for using data to enhance student access, retention, and success. Please review the job posting for additional details.

Qualitative Methods Graduate Specialist – Rutgers New Brunswick Libraries

Compensation: \$25 per hour, 10 hours per week

Position dates: November 1, 2024 - December 23, 2024

Location: Hybrid

Apply [HERE](#) by 6am on November 1 (application review begins on 10/15)!

The Rutgers New Brunswick Libraries is hiring a Qualitative Methods Graduate Specialist to support education in qualitative research methods with emphasis on ethnography. The Graduate Specialist will provide consulting and training services ranging from the development of structured workshops and the facilitation of interest group forums or meetings. This is a one-semester, 10-hours-per-week position with renewal likely for Spring 2025, contingent on performance.

Graduate Assistant – Tyler Clementi Center for Diversity Education and Bias Prevention

Compensation: \$20 per hour, 10-15 hours per week

Position dates: through June 30 2025

Location: Hybrid

Apply [HERE](#) by 6am on December 1!

The Tyler Clementi Center for Diversity Education and Bias Prevention (TCC) at Rutgers University is hiring a graduate assistant to assist with: coordinating the TCC Student Advisory Board on Bias Prevention; providing technical support for workshops and large-scale events; promotion, outreach, and review of applications for the IDEA Innovation Grant and conducting monthly check-ins with awardees; curating and promoting the online resource library for the Research2Practice Program; and brainstorming ideas and generating new initiatives from the student perspective on how best to provide diversity education and support bias prevention at Rutgers-New Brunswick. Please review the job posting for additional details.

To access even more jobs, and internship listings, schedule appointments with career advisors, network with recruiters, and more visit Rutgers Handshake. Handshake is offered by the [Office of Career Exploration and Success \(CES\)](#). Click [HERE](#) to access and set up your Handshake account. Check out [THIS](#) video to assist you in the setup of Handshake and [THIS](#) video on updating your career community.

THE RESOURCE CORNER

FREE Fitness & Wellness Classes Offered by Rutgers Recreation!

Rutgers Recreation offers a wide range of FREE fitness and wellness classes at each of the four campus recreation centers! Choose from *Pilates, Yoga, BodyCombat, Spin, Strength, Grit*, and more! All necessary equipment and mats are provided and classes are designed to accommodate all fitness levels, chat with your instructor if you are new to a particular class type. Check out the daily schedule [HERE](#) or in the [RUREC2GO](#) app!

FREE On-Demand At-Home Fitness & Wellness Classes with RUREC2GO!

Can't make it to a recreation center? Check out the on-demand fitness and wellness classes offered by Rutgers Recreation online and in the [RUREC2GO](#) app! Stay active at work with *Strength or Stretch at Your Desk* or choose a *30 Minute Yoga, Strength or Pilates Class* to move at home! Click [HERE](#) for more information about on-demand fitness and wellness classes.

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 [Academic Support Resources](#), [Career & Professional Development](#), [Student Support Services & Resources](#) 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 [HERE](#)!