

## Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest

### Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest Week of October 21, 2024

#### 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](mailto: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 THIS Week: Graduate Student Career Advising Drop-In Hours!**

Starting on Tuesday, October 22, Dr. Rudrani Gangopadhyay, Sr. Assistant Director, Graduate Student Career Pathways in the Office of Career Exploration and Success will host drop in hours for graduate students every other Tuesday in the Graduate Student Lounge!

##### **Election Day is November 5!**

The General Election is November 5, registered New Jersey voters can cast their vote by: applying for and completing an official ballot for vote-by-mail, voting early at their county's designated early voting site, or voting in-person on Election Day at their

designated polling location anytime between 6:00AM to 8:00PM on November 5. Click [HERE](#) for more information about voting in the November 5 election. Out-of-state students looking for information about voting in their home states should click [HERE](#) for state-specific election deadlines and requirements. Please reach out to Jessica Ronan-Frisch [jronan@eagleton.rutgers.edu](mailto:jronan@eagleton.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

### **– 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: Halloween Pumpkin Carving Event for Students & Families – Tuesday, October 29, 2pm-4pm**

Location: Cook Campus Food Science Building, Office for Global Engagement, Suite 122, (65 Dudley Rd, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglass Campus)

**Register [HERE](#), by 12pm on October 29! Please indicate if you are bringing any guests (maximum 2 guests per student) space is limited!**

Join the SEBS Office of Global Engagement for some festive Halloween fun at their annual pumpkin carving event! All pumpkin carving and painting supplies will be provided and students may take home their pumpkins to display for Halloween. This

event is open to students at any Rutgers school and their families, partners/spouses and kids are very welcome to participate! Halloween treats will also be available to snack on as students create their pumpkin masterpieces! Please contact the Office of Global Engagement team, [sebsglobal@sebs.rutgers.edu](mailto:sebsglobal@sebs.rutgers.edu), with any questions.

**NEXT WEEK: 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.

**COMING UP: Trivia Bowl – Wednesday, November 13, 8pm-10pm**

Location: College Avenue Gym, (130 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

**REGISTER [HERE!](#)**

Join Rutgers Recreation for the 36th Annual Trivia Bowl! Form a team of 2-3 students, test your knowledge, and compete for prizes! Open to students, faculty, staff, alumni, and family.

**– THIS WEEK! –**

**Career Advising Drop-In Hours 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](mailto:rudrani.g@rutgers.edu).

**RU T.A.S.T.Y Tea and Storytime + You - Wednesday, October 23, 2:30pm-4pm**

Location: The Canterbury House (5 Mine St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Graduate students are invited to join Rev. Katrina Jenkins and Fr. Scott Russell for RU T.A.S.T.Y, a time of tea, community building, and storytelling that will occur every other Wednesday. RU T.A.S.T.Y will begin by reading a story or poem then move into a

flavorful discussion! Please contact Rev. Katrina Jenkins, Assistant Dean for Faith and Spirituality Initiatives, [katrina.e.jenkins@rutgers.edu](mailto:katrina.e.jenkins@rutgers.edu), with any questions.

**APIDA Graduate & Professional Student Mixer - Wednesday, October 23, 4pm-5:30pm**

Location: Asian American Cultural Center (49 Joyce Kilmer Ave. Piscataway, Livingston Campus)

**RSVP [HERE!](#)**

All Asian, Pacific Islander, Desi, & Arab (APIDA) graduate & professional students are invited to join the Asian American Cultural Center for a mixer! Come meet APIDA graduate and professional Students at Rutgers and create lifelong friendships. There will be food, games, free swag, and an opportunity to participate in yoga with new friends! RSVPs are encouraged.

**UNMA Global Policy Forum: Feminist Foreign Policy: A Conversation with Stephanie Foster - Wednesday, October 23, 4pm-6pm**

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

**Register to attend [HERE](#) by October 23!**

All are invited to join the MA in Political Science - United Nations and Global Policy Studies Program for an insightful discussion with Stephanie Foster on her latest book, *Feminist Foreign Policy: In Theory and In Practice*. This event is organized in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the UNMA and moderated by Dr. Mona Lena Krook, Political Science Graduate Director and Interim Director of the United Nations and Global Policy Studies Program. Refreshments will be provided.

**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.*

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](mailto:gradstudentlife@echo.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

**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)

Visit the New Brunswick Community Farmers Market 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.

**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](#).

**SJE House Party Fridays: Fall Fest - Friday, October 25, 12pm-4pm**

Location: Center for Social Justice Education and LGBT Communities (17 Bartlett St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

**RSVP [HERE!](#)**

Join the Center for Social Justice Education and LGBT Communities (SJE) for a fall festival! Enjoy caramel apples, a pumpkin patch and painting, stuff-a-plush, s'mores, and more!

**Shopping Trip Sign-Up – International Students – Saturday, October 26, 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!](#)**

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](#).

**AfroBeats Workout Class – Saturday, October 26, 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!

**Último Domingo: Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) - Sunday, October 27, 1pm-3pm**

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

Join the Zimmerli Art Museum for Último Domingo (Last Sunday) and celebrate Latinx culture through the experience of art. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate life, culture, and the beauty of Día de los Muertos at the Zimmerli Art Museum. This event is free & open to the public. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**– WELLNESS WORKSHOPS, GROUPS, & SUPPORT–**

**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!

**Mental Health Services at the AACC – Tuesdays 8am-5pm & Thursdays 8am-3pm**

Location: Asian American Cultural Center (49 Joyce Kilmer Ave, Piscataway, Livingston Campus)

CAPS Counselor Mei-ling Cheng is available to provide mental health services at the Asian American Cultural Center from 8am-5pm on Tuesdays and 8am-3pm on Thursdays. Mei-ling also offers drop-in Let's Talk sessions on Tuesdays from 2pm-4pm. To view additional information and schedules for other CAPS counselors that host weekly drop-in Let's Talk sessions, Click [HERE](#). Take time to prioritize your mental wellbeing in a safe and supportive space!

**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](mailto: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](mailto:sf924@gsapp.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

### **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](mailto: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 –**

### **Systematic Review Workshop: Systematic or Scoping Review Methods for Dissertations – Wednesday, October 23, 5:30pm-7pm**

Location: Zoom

**Register [HERE!](#)**

Join Social Sciences Librarian, Julia Maxwell of the Rutgers Libraries for this Systematic Review Workshop! This workshop is designed for graduate students who are using systematic, scoping, or other evidence synthesis methods in their dissertation or thesis. Learn the pros and cons of using these methods in a dissertation, the modifications of the method for individual research, and break down the methods step-by-step.

### **NEXT WEEK! Introduction to Machine Learning: Unsupervised Learning – Monday, October 28, 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 ideal for those interested in learning how to extract insights from data



without predetermined labels or categories and is designed to introduce the concepts of unsupervised learning, a branch of machine learning where algorithms infer patterns from unlabelled data. The workshop covers clustering methods like K-means and DBSCAN, used to identify inherent groupings in data and explores dimensionality reduction techniques such as PCA, which simplify complex data sets while preserving their key features. Additionally, the session introduces association rules, a method for finding interesting relationships within data sets.

**REGISTER NOW! Learning Centers Graduate Workshop: Reading and Selecting Journal Articles – Tuesday, November 5, 6pm-7pm**

Location: Zoom

**Register [HERE!](#)**

Join the Learning Centers for this academic success workshop in their Graduate Workshop Series! This workshop is for graduate students who would like to learn reading strategies specific to journal article reading and will explore how to effectively select journal articles to use for research and papers. Click [HERE](#) to view other academic success workshops offered by the Learning Centers. Please reach out to Lucille Leung [llu@echo.rutgers.edu](mailto:llu@echo.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

**REGISTER NOW! Science Research Workshop: Finding Journals to Publish Your Work – Thursday, November 7, 12:30pm-1:30pm**

Location: Zoom

**Register [HERE!](#)**

Join Science Research Librarian, Mei Ling Lo of the Rutgers Libraries for this Science Research Workshop! In this workshop, students will learn how to match their manuscripts to the right journal to increase their chances of acceptance and explore resources like Journal Finder and Manuscript Matcher. This workshop will provide tips on how to identify reputable journals, and explore the impact factors and significance of journal rankings. This workshop will provide valuable guidance to help both novice and experienced researchers navigate the complex world of academic publishing.

**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. Please contact Francesca Giannetti, NBL Graduate Specialist Program [francesca.giannetti@rutgers.edu](mailto: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.digiacomorutgers.edu](mailto:mark.digiacomorutgers.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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:rg835@grad.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

### **Teaching Assistant Project (TAP) Workshop: Controversial Topics & Culturally Responsible Classrooms – Tuesday, October 22, 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](mailto:tapweb@grad.rutgers.edu).

### **Teaching Assistant Project (TAP) Workshop: Universal Design for Learning – Thursday, October 24, 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 –**

### **Graduate Assistant – Asian American Cultural Center**

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

*Position dates: November 1, 2024 - May 12, 2025*

**Apply by October 28!**

The Asian American Cultural Center (AACC) is looking to hire a graduate assistant with a background in social sciences, humanities, college student affairs, or a related field to advise student organizations, facilitate programs & events for Asian Pacific Islander, Desi & Arab students and support the operations of the cultural center. Applicants should email their resume and a cover letter highlighting relevant skills and qualities to [aacc@echo.rutgers.edu](mailto:aacc@echo.rutgers.edu). Please reach out to Naima Chowdhury [naimach@echo.rutgers.edu](mailto:naimach@echo.rutgers.edu) with any questions.

### **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.

### **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.

### **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 Professional Development with LinkedIn Learning**

All Rutgers graduate students have free access to LinkedIn Learning, an online professional development tool with thousands of video tutorials, courses, and training resources taught by industry experts. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about LinkedIn Learning and set up your free account through Rutgers University.

### **Student Basic Needs: Rutgers Student Food Pantry & Mobile Food Pantry**

The Rutgers Student Food Pantry and Mobile Food Pantry is dedicated to helping all Rutgers students in need of food. Students can visit the Student Food Pantry located in the College Avenue Student Center or visit one of the many Mobile Food Pantry locations and receive about one week's worth of groceries, no questions asked. Click

[HERE](#) to view the operating hours and locations of the Rutgers Student Food Pantry and Mobile Food Pantry.

### **Student Basic Needs: Emergency Aid Fund**

The Rutgers Emergency Aid Fund provides RU-New Brunswick students with one-time need-based financial support for unforeseen, unavoidable, and unplanned costs associated with emergencies like accidents, illnesses, fire and water damage, or the need for emergency housing or food. International and undocumented students are eligible to apply for the Emergency Aid Fund. Click [HERE](#) for more information and to find the application for Emergency Aid.

## ***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](#)!