

Graduate Student Life _____ Weekly Digest

Graduate Student Life Weekly Digest Week of April 7, 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

Invitation to Complete the Quality of Life Survey!

We encourage you to complete the Rutgers Student Quality of Life Survey, which is an effort to understand how the University can help Rutgers students be successful. To truly understand the Rutgers student experience, we need ALL Rutgers students to complete this survey. It should only take about 5-10 minutes. If you do complete the survey, you will be entered into a lottery to win one of ten \$50 Visa cards. The lottery winners will be contacted by May 5, 2025. Thank you in advance for your participation in this important survey. https://oshe.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 5gonyFEg1iUkt4G

Free Mason Gross School of The Arts (MGSA) Performance Tickets Available!

Scarlet Arts Rx is offering free MGSA performance tickets to Rutgers New Brunswick students! To qualify, students must be registered with Scarlet Arts Rx, register HERE. Once registered, students should use their Rutgers email account to email Peichi Waite (pw337@mgsa.rutgers.edu) with the following information: 1) a screenshot showing successful sign-up for Scarlet Arts Rx (the final page of the registration form or the confirmation email); 2) the name of the show they are requesting tickets for (choose from "Opera Theater Rutgers: Carmen" "Rutgers Mingus Ensemble" "DancePlus"

"<u>Dancing at Lughnasa</u>" and "<u>Rutgers Jazz Ensemble</u>"); 3) the date and time of the show; 4) the number of tickets requested; 5) written confirmation that all tickets will be used only by currently enrolled RU-NB students. All requests must be submitted a minimum of 5 business days in advance of the requested show. E-tickets will be sent to RU-NB student email addresses only. The box office will not process tickets for non-RU-NB students.

Complete a Rutgers Learning Centers Survey for a Chance to Win Gift Cards!

The Rutgers Learning Centers is conducting a short survey to gather insights into graduate student preferences for workshops and services. Entry to a raffle drawing for a \$50 B&N gift card, a \$40 B&N gift card, and a \$25 B&N gift card will be available at the end of the survey. Graduate student input will play a crucial role in shaping these programs, ensuring that they align with your academic and professional development goals, and fostering greater sense of community and belonging among Rutgers graduate students. Students will need to be logged into their Rutgers account to access the survey. Click HERE to fill out the survey by Friday, April 25.

- 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! -

Get Vaxxed on the Bus: Schedule your HPV (Human Papillomavirus) Vaccination – Tuesday, April 8

<u>Location: Cook Douglass Recreation Center (50 Biel Rd, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglass Campus)</u>

Schedule your appointment **HERE** by selecting 'appointments' then 'HPV Clinic & Screen NJ Van' in the Student Health Portal!

Student Health is partnering with ScreenNJ to bring the HPV vaccine across campus. Most people will contract HPV at some point in their lives through intimate contact. While it usually has no symptoms, certain types can lead to serious health issues, including cervical, throat, and other cancers. The HPV vaccine is recommended for everyone up to age 26 and most to age 45 and provides long-term protection against

the most harmful types of the virus, preventing both cancer and warts. Student Health will confirm student insurance coverage once an appointment is booked. Prefer to get vaccinated elsewhere? Click <u>HERE</u> to find other locations through ScreenNJ. For more information, click <u>HERE</u>, or visit Student Health.

Queer Priests Panel: Faith, Identity, and Inclusion – Tuesday, April 8, 7pm-9pm Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Avenue, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Join QuaC (Queer and Christian) for a panel discussion with LGBTQIA+ clergy members on Faith, Identity, and Inclusion that will explore questions about the intersecting identities of being Queer and religious.

Writing Productivity Workshop - Wednesday, April 9, 10am-12pm

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

Register to attend **HERE!**

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Join the Graduate Writing Program for a Writing Productivity Workshop during Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week. The first 10 students to attend will receive an appreciation gift! This Writing Productivity Workshop will provide a comfortable space for getting writing accomplished with Graduate Writing Program faculty available for optional consultations. Additionally, a "Conversation Cafe" will be provided for students who would like to practice speaking English. Food will be served!

Appreciation Gift at Farmers Market – Wednesday, April 9, 11am-3pm

Location: Busch Student Center, International Lounge (604 Bartholomew Rd, Piscataway, Busch Campus)

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Don't forget to visit the last winter pop-up of the season! Purchase fresh produce and home-baked goods—where community and quality come together! Connect with local producers and support the farmers and small businesses. Graduate students are invited to stop by the welcome table and mention Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week to receive an appreciation gift! Looking for more info? Follow the New Brunswick Community Farmers Market on Instagram @nbcfarmersmarket or visit their website HERE!

ODS Drop-In Hours for Graduate Students - Wednesday, April 9, 2pm-4pm

<u>Location: Graduate Student Lounge (126 College Ave, behind Panera Bread, College Ave Campus) and on Zoom (JOIN HERE)</u>

ODS Drop-In Hours are part of the <u>Life @ The Graduate Student Lounge Event Series</u> and are held the first two Wednesdays of every month.

Wondering if accommodations are for you or have questions about the accommodations you have in place? Drop in to talk with the Disability Services Coordinator, Nychey Michel! The Office of Disability Services (ODS) provides reasonable accommodations for a wide range of conditions including: hearing, vision, and mobility conditions, learning disabilities, psychological diagnoses (such as anxiety or depression), chronic illnesses, traumatic brain injuries, ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, and more. Feel free to reach out to Nychey Michel via email nlm108@echo.rutgers.edu or by calling 848-202-3111. Click HERE to learn more about ODS resources for graduate students.

CES Drop-In Hours for Graduate Students – Wednesday, April 9, 4pm-6pm Location: Zoom (Join HERE!)

CES Drop in Hours for Graduate Students will be held on Wednesdays from 4-6pm throughout the semester with additional sessions on 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.

Pizza & Polisci Information Session - Wednesday, April 9, 4pm

<u>Location: Hickman Hall, Room 612 (89 George St, New Brunswick, Douglass Campus)</u>
Register <u>HERE!</u>

Interested in the state of the world and pursuing a master's in political science? The Rutgers University Master of Arts in Political Science - United Nations and Global Policy Studies (UNMA) division invites graduate students to attend this information session about their program. Attendees will have the opportunity to connect with UNMA faculty, staff and student ambassadors who can provide them with an overview of the program, application process, and student experience over complementary pizza.

Take Back the Night - Wednesday, April 9, 6pm-9pm

Location: Meeting at Douglass Student Center, (100 George St, New Brunswick, Douglass Campus) and Marching to the VPVA Office, (3 Bartlett St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Join the Office of Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance (VPVA) for a march across campus to bring awareness to interpersonal violence at Rutgers. There will be performances, pizza, and Nothing Bundt Cakes. In case of rain, this event will be rescheduled for April 16. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

The French Graduate Students Organization Symposium – Thursday, April 10, 9am-4pm

<u>Location: West Academic Building, Room 4190 (15 Seminary Place, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

The French Graduate Students Organization invites scholars and theorists from all disciplines to join a discussion on how ghosts manifest across various art forms, serving as metaphors for personal and collective histories. Despite efforts to rationalize and suppress their presence, especially during the Enlightenment era, they continue to resist historical amnesia, trauma, and cultural forgetting. As Jacques Derrida writes in *Spectres de Marx*, "The ghost is the name for the thing that cannot be seen, that cannot be touched, but that insists and returns." This event features a keynote address by Fordham University Professor Samir Haddad along with various presentations. Lunch will be served. For questions or more information, please contact sk2648@scarletmail.rutgers.edu.

Policy Collaboratory – Thursday, April 10, 12pm-5pm

<u>Location: Heldrich Center for Workforce Development, Second Floor, Roosevelt Room</u> (30 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, College Avenue Campus)

Register **HERE** by April 9!

The New Jersey State Policy Lab and the School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University invites Rutgers and Princeton graduate students to attend their second annual Policy Collaboratory event! This collaborative event brings students from both universities to work together in teams and develop innovative solutions to address affordable housing challenges in New Jersey, with insights from academic experts, advocates, policymakers, elected officials, and individuals with lived experience. For questions, please contact Megan McCue, Public Relations Specialist at the New Jersey State Policy Lab, at policylab@ejb.rutgers.edu or call (848)-932-2706.

Panel and Reception - Rethinking Dissent in the USSR: Practices and Possibilities in the Arts - Thursday, April 10, 5pm-7pm

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

RSVP HERE!

Join the Zimmerli in celebrating the reopening of their *Painting to Scale* exhibition! Featuring curator Elita Ansone, artist Irina Nakhova, and scholars Mark Lipovetsky and Jane Sharp, the evening opens with a panel discussion on interpreting dissent in the former artistic communities of the Soviet Union. After the discussion, guests can enjoy a reception with light refreshments and the opportunity to view the newly rotated artwork in the exhibition.

Shopping Trip Sign-Up – International Students – Thursday, April 10, 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 spring schedule of shopping trips and learn more information about the Shopping Shuttle Service, click <u>HERE</u>.

GSA Game Night - Thursday, April 10, 7pm-10pm

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

Register to attend **HERE!**

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Join the Graduate Student Association (GSA) for an exciting Game Night, to enjoy a night of strategy, laughter, and friendly competition! Whether you're a seasoned gamer or brand new to the scene, this event is for you. Gaming expert, Alex, will be on hand to teach new games, offer pro tips, and make sure everyone has a fantastic time. Feel free to bring your favorite games or discover new ones! Come ready to play, learn, and have fun. All are welcome!

Scarlet Arts Rx - Polestar Pilates Mat Workout with Willa! – Friday, April 11, 10:30am-11:30am

<u>Location: Nicholas Music Center, Dance Studio 122 (85 George St, New Brunswick, Cook/Douglass Campus)</u>

Graduate students are invited to attend this free pilates mat class led by BFA Dance Major and Polestar Pilates Mat Teacher Training graduate, Willa O'Connor through Scarlet Arts Rx. The last class will be held on Friday, April 25. Sign up for Scarlet Arts Rx HERE, and check out Scarlet Arts Rx on getINVOLVED HERE.

Friendship Fridays – Friday, April 11, 4pm-5pm

<u>Location: Livingston Student Center, Coffeehouse (48 Joyce Kilmer Ave, Piscataway, Livingston Campus)</u>

Register to attend **HERE!**

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Friendship Fridays are a monthly opportunity for the Rutgers community to step away from classwork and research and just hang out and relax together. Join Rutgers Global to enjoy games, activities, food, and conversation - and make new friends from around the world!

Roots in Rhythm: AfroLatinx Dance and Emotional Expression – Friday, April 11, 6pm-8pm

<u>Location: College Ave Gym, Lower Level Dance Studio (130 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

Register **HERE!**

Celebrate the vibrant rhythms and rich history of AfroLatinx culture in this dynamic and empowering class. Featuring music from iconic artists like Celia Cruz, Tego Calderón, Don Omar, Oscar D'León, and more, we'll explore themes of love, resilience, and joy embedded in AfroLatinx culture. Through guided movement and dance, this class invites you to release tension, express emotions, and connect with the power of music. It's a space where you can embrace the energy and emotional depth of AfroLatinx rhythms while connecting with yourself and others. Discover the freedom and joy that comes from moving to the beats of AfroLatinx music and celebrating the beauty of its stories and traditions. This class is sponsored by ScarletWell New Brunswick.

Sky Happiness Retreat - Friday, April 11 through Sunday, April 13

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

Register HERE by Wednesday, April 9!

Join the SKY Happiness Retreat for a fun and immersive detox weekend retreat! This three-day comprehensive life-skills program provides an opportunity to cultivate a calm mind and a healthy, energized body through evidence-based wellness practices such as meditation, yoga, and breathwork. As the retreat is fully funded for all participants, space is limited, and applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the retreat, please visit the registration form.

Basketball as a Tool to Promote Wellness and Build Community – Saturday, April 12, 9am-11am

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

Register <u>HERE!</u>

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

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.

Graduate Student and Family Rock Climbing – Saturday, April 12, 10am-12pm Location: College Ave Gym, Rockwall (130 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Register to attend HERE!

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

Join Supporting Parents and Caregivers at Rutgers (SPCR) for a Fun and Active Climbing Adventure! Climb with other graduate students and families for an exciting 2-hour climbing session! A slack line will also be available for those who prefer to stay grounded. This event is open to all Rutgers-New Brunswick students who are parents or guardians, bring your kids along and enjoy an adventurous day together! Food & drinks will be provided to all attendees and restrooms will be available nearby. This climbing event will be a 2-hour session accommodating up to 30 climbers, so please register and arrive early! Climbing activities are restricted to adults and children ages 5 and over. A slack line and a corn hole activity are also available for kids under 5 and anyone who prefers to stay grounded! This is not a drop-off event. A parent or guardian must be present at all times with any children under the age of 18.

- RSVP NOW & COMING UP! -

NEXT WEEK! Galactic Glow-In-The-Dark Paint Party – Monday, April 14, 7pm-9pm Location: The Yard, Outside on lawn or 1st floor of Sojourner Truth Building (40 College Ave, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

Join Scarlet Arts Rx for a free glow-in-the-dark paint event! Participants are welcome to bring their spouses and children. All supplies will be provided, and there will be prizes up for grabs! For questions or more information, please contact Peichi Waite at pw337@mgsa.rutgers.edu.

NEXT WEEK! The Devil and Daisy Dirt: A Garden State Gothic, Alt-Folk Event – Tuesday, April 15, 7:30pm-9:30pm

Location: Kirkpatrick Chapel (81 Somerset St, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)

RSVP HERE!

Join Scarlet Arts Rx, the SAS Department of English, and the SAS Department of American Studies for this theatrical folk performance. Centered around a bluegrass tall tale of the Jersey Devil, this production blends theater, puppetry, and live music, showcasing an 8-foot wearable puppet and a rich mix of folklore and storytelling. The

show also features Alex Dawson, Dan Diana, Arlan Feiles, and Jackie Fogel, with a special introduction by NY Times bestselling author, Fulbright professor, and renowned NJ folklorist Angus Gillispie. Attendees are welcome to bring family, friends, and children, at their discretion, to this free event. Please note that although this event will take place at Kirkpatrick Chapel, this is not a religious event. Visit their website HERE for more information and production photographs!

- WELLNESS WORKSHOPS, GROUPS, & SUPPORT-

Graduate Wellness Workshop: Working through Anger, Resentment, and Conflict – Friday, April 11, 11am-12pm

Location: Zoom (Join HERE)

Join CAPS Community Based Counselor Dana for this graduate wellness workshop focused on techniques and strategies for addressing conflict and letting go of resentment. Explore conversations about anger as a healthy emotion, and talk about the various ways it can be expressed and discharged in a productive way.

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 HERE for more information and to see options for other CAPS Wellness groups.

CAPS Wellness Group: Stress Less With Art – Various Sessions throughout the Semester

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.

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 HERE. Contact the GSAPP Center for Psychological Services by calling 848-445-6111 or by emailing cysew@gsapp.rutgers.edu.

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 -

Graduate Workshop Series: Building Graduate Level Research Writing Skills, Part 2: The Revision Process – Wednesday, April 9, 7pm-8pm

This event is part of the Rutgers Learning Centers' Graduate Workshop Series, click <u>HERE</u> to view the full schedule of events under "Graduate Workshop Series".

Register HERE by April 8!

Join the Rutgers Learning Centers for this writing skills workshop designed to provide an organized approach to revising and proofreading research papers. This writing workshop will cover strategies to help attendees improve the clarity, coherence, and organization of their writing, as well as detailed tips on copy editing and proofreading. This workshop will equip students with the necessary tools to review their own writing for accuracy before submission. To learn more about the services that the Rutgers Learning Centers have available for graduate students, click <a href="https://example.com/herence/here

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 <u>HERE</u> 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 -

Demystifying Academic Publishing: A Guide for Graduate Students – Tuesday, April 8, 1pm

<u>Location: Virtual or In-Person at the West Academic Building, Room 5190 (15 Seminary PI, New Brunswick, College Ave Campus)</u>

RSVP HERE by April 7!

Graduate students are invited to explore the ins-and-outs of publishing academic papers in this hybrid workshop, sponsored by the Spanish and Portuguese Graduate Student Association. Dr. Naomi Shin, Associate Editor at *Studies in Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics*, will guide participants through the process, highlighting essential steps, sharing valuable strategies, and providing practical advice to help them successfully navigate their own publishing journeys.

Entrepreneurship and Intellectual Property for Doctoral Students – Tuesday, April 8, 3pm

Location: Zoom and In-Person

Register HERE!

This workshop is designed for graduate students interested in turning research innovations into viable commercial ventures. A partnership between the School of

Graduate Studies and the Technology Transfer Office, this session will focus on the fessentials of entrepreneurship and intellectual property (IP), covering topics such as IP protection, patenting, and licensing, while exploring entrepreneurship pathways and the steps involved in developing a startup. Participants will also learn about opportunities and challenges involved with bringing their research to market, and the support services available through Rutgers. This workshop aims to provide participants with a clearer understanding of how to transform research into entrepreneurial endeavors, as well as how to strategically manage IP in both academic and industry settings.

Beyond the Academy: Finding and Securing Internships in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Wednesday April 9, 3pm- 4pm

Location: Virtual

Register to attend **HERE!**

This event is part of Rutgers Graduate and Professional Student Appreciation Week 2025, coordinated through the Office of Graduate Student Life. For a full listing of events, visit go.rutgers.edu/gradappreciation2025.

A Practical Introduction to Internship Strategies and Career Exploration for Graduate Students. This talk introduces graduate humanities and social sciences graduate students to the value, process, and possibilities of pursuing internships during their doctoral studies. Drawing on early content from a new Internship Toolkit currently in development on Canvas, the session will help participants understand how internships can enhance their scholarly and professional development, expand their career options, and support meaningful public engagement. The talk will explore identifying and aligning internship opportunities with personal values, skills, and goals using tools like ImaginePhD, where and how to find internships beyond traditional job boards, and strategies for securing competitive, paid positions. Whether you're exploring nonacademic career paths or looking to extend the impact of your research, this session will offer practical guidance and inspiration. Sponsored by School of Graduate Studies

- 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 <u>HERE</u> for more information on GradFund and click <u>HERE</u> 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 <u>HERE</u> 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 Coordinator, Rutgers Scarlet Service Internship (RSSI) Program – Office of Career Exploration and Success

Compensation: \$25 per hour, 20 hours a week Position Dates: May 19, 2025-May 8, 2026

Location: Hybrid

Apply **HERE** by 3pm on April 11!

The Office of Career Exploration and Success is seeking a graduate student to serve as the coordinator for the Rutgers Scarlet Service Internship (RSSI) Program. The primary responsibility of the Graduate Coordinator is to work with the Internships and Professional Development team in Career Exploration and Success to support the program's overall planning and administration. Responsibilities may include supporting the student application, selection, and matching process; brainstorming and implementing ideas for RSSI programming that support experiential education and career readiness; brainstorming and implementing ideas relating program promotion, student, and employer outreach; developing and coordinating student orientation sessions; providing administrative support for student onboarding, payroll, and stipend and tuition remission processing. Please review the job listing for additional details.

Learning Assistant Program Summer Support Intern – Rutgers University

Compensation: \$26.85 per hour, 15 hours per week Position Dates: June 2, 2025-August 29, 2025

Location: Onsite

Apply **HERE** by 6am on May 2!

The intern for the Learning Assistant Program will work collaboratively with program staff to assist in the scheduling process for Learning Assistants for the fall semester.

This position is critical for ensuring the timely development and distribution of materials central to scheduling peer-leaders. In addition, this position will assist the Sr. Program Coordinator with analyzing program data, revising existing student surveys, and generating new surveys to collect key feedback from students and peer leaders about their experience with the Learning Assistant Program. This position will help to better capture the assessment metrics outlined by the Learning Assistant Program and the Learning Centers as part of a larger assessment plan. The summer intern for the Learning Assistant Program will also create asynchronous video tutorials for incoming peer leaders. Please review the job listing for additional details.

Learning Assistant Program Assistant for Study Groups – Rutgers University

Compensation: \$26.85 per hour, 15 hours per week Position Dates: June 2, 2025-August 29, 2025

Location: Onsite

Apply **HERE** by 6am on May 6!

The Learning Assistant Program Assistant for Study Groups will work collaboratively with program staff in collecting availability from peer leaders and scheduling them appropriately, assist in the tracking of responses and drafting preliminary schedules for the Fall semester and assist with program recruitment and community event building. This position is critical for ensuring the review and improvement of the Learning Assistant Program Canvas site including accessibility compliance, site design, and content creation and will assist in creating asynchronous video tutorials. Please review the job listing for additional details.

Graduate Student Research Assistant – Institute for Teaching, Innovation, & Inclusive Pedagogy (Rutgers-New Brunswick)

Compensation: \$20-\$30 per hour, part-time

Position Dates: April 30, 2025 - June 30, 2025, continuation beyond summer possible

Location: Remote and onsite

Apply **HERE** by 6am on September 28!

The Institute for Teaching, Innovation, & Inclusive Pedagogy at Rutgers-New Brunswick is hiring a graduate student with advanced data analysis skills and a CITI Human Subjects certificate for Social and Behavioral Science Researchers to work as a Graduate Student Research Assistant. The Graduate Student Research Assistant will be responsible for conducting literature reviews; supporting the design and implementation of studies; data organization, management, and cleanup; data analysis; and reporting of findings. This position offers the potential for co-authorship on publications as well as co-presentation and continuance after the summer. Please review the job posting for additional details.

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 <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 HERE!