

### Dean's Spring 2012 Welcome

Hello and Happy New Year! My name is [Susan J. Schurman](#). I am the Dean of the University College Community, Professor and Acting Dean in the School of Management and Labor Relations. I also chair the Professional Schools' Academic Oversight Committee for the New Brunswick Campus. I'd like to take this opportunity to offer a heartfelt Rutgers welcome to our new adult and nontraditional students and welcome back our continuing on-campus and off-campus students.



[Susan J. Schurman, PhD](#)

UCC is aware that adult and nontraditional students must meet various responsibilities at home and at work while making extra efforts to reach their academic goals. We also know the value of successfully completing a college degree, not just in financial terms, but also in terms of personal development and social change.

Our ongoing goal is to reach adult and nontraditional students because we know that they face significant non-academic responsibilities that make their college years very different from the traditional college experience. Our first task is to reach nontraditional students to make sure that they are informed of important developments, events, resources, services, dates, and major and minor programs that are available evenings weekends, and online. UCC also helps guide nontraditional students to vital web information to enhance their experience at Rutgers University in a more effective and efficient manner. In addition, we advocate for nontraditional students inside the larger Rutgers University community by recommending policies and programs to meet their specific needs.

This past fall, we participated in adult recruitment, orientations, transition programs, and Veteran outreach initiatives, to name a few. We are especially proud of our contribution to the formation of two new degree-completion programs designed specifically for adult nontraditional students: the [School of Management and Labor Relations](#) has launched a [Bachelor of Science \(BS\) degree in Labor & Employment Relations](#), and the [Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy](#) began accepting new students this fall 2011 term for a [Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health](#). Through our continued research, collaborations, and focus groups, we remain committed to developing programs to attract adult and nontraditional students to Rutgers. In fact, through our enhanced outreach via our Virtual Learning Community on [sakai](#), [myRutgers](#), UCC list serves, and direct mail, we will continue to identify more nontraditional students. We have also initiated a volunteer mentoring program so that Rutgers faculty and staff who are veterans can act as resources for an anticipated influx of returning veterans in the years to come.

Our goal is to create a sense of community for those students who do not live on campus and who have significant responsibilities outside of academia.

Sincerely,

### Veterans News & Events

**Veterans Appreciation Dinner** will be held on **Friday, March 23, 2012**. This special event celebrates the service and education opportunities of Veterans and dependents of Veterans enrolled at Rutgers University on the New Brunswick, Newark, and Camden campuses. The dinner will feature guest speakers, resource information offered by local Veteran Affairs representatives, networking with fellow students, staff, mentors, and alumni. Mark your calendars!

**Veterans Regional Conference: Combat-to-Campus-to-Career** hosted by the Office of Student Veterans Services & Office of Career Service will be held on **Thursday, April 12, 2012**. This conference will address the challenges veterans face as they transition from military service to campus and onto careers.

Invitations will be mailed to veteran students with more details. *Please visit [veterans.rutgers.edu](http://veterans.rutgers.edu) or call 848-932-VETS*

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## NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT RESOURCES

### UCC Advising and Support

For advising and assistance with issues that may affect your academic career at Rutgers-NB, we invite you to contact us:

**Phone:** 732-932-6965, ext. 2150

**Email:** [ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)

**Fax:** 732-932-7906

**Website:** [ucc.rutgers.edu](http://ucc.rutgers.edu)

### Academic Advising

Please note that while you may visit any campus advising center, Deans for nontraditional students of SAS are located on the Douglass Campus.

### SAS-Nontraditional Student Deans Office

College Hall, Room 104  
Douglass Campus  
125 George Street  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
Tel: 848-445-8888  
M-F: 8:30am-5:00pm

### Get Advice

Can't make day advising appointments because of work or family? Contact the academic Dean in your school of enrollment and request a phone discussion or special appointment. For information about advising, contact each school:

**SAS:** <http://sasundergrad.rutgers.edu/academics/advising/general.html>

**SEBS:** <http://sebs.rutgers.edu/academics/firstyearadvisers.asp>

**MG:** <http://www.masongross.rutgers.edu/content/undergraduate-academic-advisors>

**ENGR:** <http://soe.rutgers.edu/oa/officelhrs>

**PHARM:** [https://pharm.rutgers.edu/content/student\\_advising](https://pharm.rutgers.edu/content/student_advising)

**SMLR:** <http://smlr.rutgers.edu/labor-and-employment-relations/student-services>

**EJB:** <http://policy.rutgers.edu/academics/undergrad/prospective.php>

### Other Resources

**Degree Navigator:** [nbdn.rutgers.edu](http://nbdn.rutgers.edu)

**Registrar's Office:** 848-445-2104  
<http://registrar.rutgers.edu/>

**Transcripts:** <https://transcripts.rutgers.edu>

**Financial Aid:** 848-932-7057  
<http://studentaid.rutgers.edu/>

**Student Accounting:** 848-932-2254  
<http://studentabc.rutgers.edu/>

## RU Looking for Employment?

Rutgers [Student Employment Office](#) in New Brunswick administers employment programs to adult and nontraditional students. Eligible students can work in on-campus and off-campus paid community service positions for non-profit agencies and organizations in areas related to education and literacy, human and social services, law and public policy, arts and humanities, diversity and social justice, health and business.

The following employment programs serve our students: the **Job Location and Development Program (JLDP)**, which consists of unskilled to technical work study jobs offered on a part-time and seasonal basis, and the **Federal Work-Study Program (FWSP)**, which is funded by the federal government and the university for students eligible for financial aid.

## Schedule of Classes Has a New Look!

The new online [Schedule Of Classes \(SOC\)](#) allows students to build, compare, review, and register for available courses. Take a look!

Students are encouraged to pre-register during the Fall 2012 Registration period starting on April 15, 2012. Review the [registration schedule](#) to see when you are eligible to register for classes.

## Douglass Bunting Program Women at Rutgers

The [Mary I. Bunting Program](#), established in 1958 by Mary I. Bunting, provides individualized advising and support services for mature women students. Women enrolled full-time or part-time in any of the undergraduate schools at Rutgers-New Brunswick are eligible to affiliate with UCC and the Douglass Residential College Bunting Program. For more information, contact:

Rebecca Reynolds, Assistant Dean,  
[rreynold@echo.rutgers.edu](mailto:rreynold@echo.rutgers.edu)  
848-932-2900 x123

## Scholarship Opportunities

Learn about various scholarship opportunities available at Rutgers. For schools, please speak to the department chairs for additional information.

[School of Arts & Science](#)

[Douglass Residential College](#)

[Sch. of Environmental & Biological Science](#)

[School of Engineering](#)

<http://www.scholarshipworkshop.com/adult-scholarships.html>

## Veterans Services

### Veterans House

*Col. Stephen Abel & Robert Bright*  
14 Lafayette Street  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
[veterans.rutgers.edu](http://veterans.rutgers.edu)

**Contact Email:** [veterans@rutgers.edu](mailto:veterans@rutgers.edu)  
**Contact Phone:** 848-932-VETS (8387)

**Veterans Counseling Hotline:**  
1-866-VETS-NJ4

**Registrar Certifying Official**  
Monica Licourt (UG): 848-445-2757

**Financial Aid/ Accounting**  
Elizabeth Rollins: 848-932-7057x2611  
Margaret Reardon: 848-932-1892

**Counseling Services**  
Thomas Morgan: 732-445-5216

## Rutgers Learning Centers

Rutgers Learning Centers work with students through a variety of free academic support programs to promote student achievement. Meet your academic challenges head on. Contact a Learning Center to get started.

Busch Campus: [ARC Bldg, Rm 322](#)  
CAC: [Kreeger Learning Center](#)  
C/D Campus: [Loree Bldg, Rm 124](#)  
Livingston Campus: [Tillett Hall, Rm 111](#)

### UCC NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Paula Gibson, 35, is a resident of Jackson, NJ, and a student at one of [Rutgers' Off-campus](#) locations at Brookdale Community College (BCC). The off-campus locations enable Rutgers to offer degree programs to local residents of New Jersey who are faced with the challenge of balancing school with family, work and/or a long commute. Paula is currently enrolled in the BS in Labor Studies and Employment Relations offered by the School of Management and Labor Relations (SMLR) and hopes to complete her degree in 2013.



Madison and Paula making time to enjoy an evening at the theater.

Paula graduated from St. Mary's Regional High School renamed Cardinal McCarrick High School in South Amboy, NJ, in 1995 and enrolled at Brookdale Community College in fall 1995 as a full-time student. While attending her first term gave her the confidence to continue her studies, Paula paced herself by taking 1 to 2 classes per term during winter, spring, summer and fall. She completed her Associate in Arts-Social Science on December 22, 2010— fifteen years later. She wanted to continue and earn her bachelors degree. She said, "I decided to go back to school as an adult and I wanted to stay as close to home as possible. I stopped in at the Higher Education Center in Freehold NJ and spoke with the staff at the Off-campus academic programs—Joe Walsh and Latoya Fendrick. They were so friendly and accommodating in answering all of my questions, that I applied to Rutgers afterwards."

Paula has a full schedule. She works fulltime as a medical technician at CentraState Health Systems in Freehold, NJ. She attends school fulltime and is a devoted mother to her twelve year-old daughter, Madison. Madison is a big fan of Rutgers University. Her dream is to attend Rutgers University to be one of their basketball players. Paula says, "Life can be very hectic since Madison plays four sports, so my time is very limited. I try not to miss any of her games." Paula maintains a solid 3.000 GPA and admits that going at it for 16 years has taught her some valuable lessons—stay motivated and positive! She says, "If you want something bad enough, find your inner strength to succeed."

**Are you an adult/nontraditional student with a story to help inspire other adult/nontraditional students at Rutgers-NB? Email your full name, RUID, story & picture to: [ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)**

#### IMPORTANT 2012 SPRING SEMESTER DATES

Late Registration	Nov 22-Jan 14	<p><b>LAST DAY to <u><a href="#">DROP</a></u> is <u><a href="#">1/24/2012</a></u> (without a "W" grade)</b></p> <p><b>LAST DAY to <u><a href="#">ADD</a></u> is <u><a href="#">01/25/2012</a></u></b></p> <p><b>LAST DAY</b> to Withdraw from a course with a "W" Grade: Monday, <b><u><a href="#">March 19th</a></u></b>.</p> <p><b>Complete Withdrawal from School Tuition Refunds (not to be confused with a course drop):</b>                      1st -- 2nd week: 80% Refund                      3rd -- 4th Week: 60% Refund                      5th -- 6th Week : 40 %Refund                      Thereafter: 0% Refund</p> <p><b>LAST DAY</b> to Withdraw from the University: Monday, <b><u><a href="#">April 9, 2012</a></u></b>.</p> <p>Speak to an adviser before withdrawing. Financial Aid packages may be affected.</p> <p><b>Note: Dates may be subject to change. Review sites often.</b></p>
<b>Last Day to Drop courses or Cancel Registration for Full 100% refund</b>	Fri Jan 13	
Spring Semester Begins	Tues Jan 17	
Saturday Classes Starts	Sat Jan 21	
Spring Recess Begins	Sat Mar 10	
Spring Recess Ends	Sun Mar 18	
Regular Classes End	Mon April 30	
Reading Days	Tues May 1 & Wed May 2	
Spring Exams Begins	Thurs May 3	
Spring Exams End	Wed May 9	
Summer Session Begins	Tues May 29	
Summer Session Ends	Wed Aug 15	

#### Graduation News

Students who expect to graduate in MAY 2012 must complete an [online diploma application](#). Diplomas will be mailed to the [permanent address on record](#) of all graduates approximately one month after graduation. You may review your instant free [online verification](#) for proof of degree.

The University Commencement ceremony, will be on **Sunday, May 13, 2012**. The following official site will be updated in the future:

<http://commencement.rutgers.edu/>

Seniors should review their school's website for deadlines.

\*\*\*For BS programs in LSER & Public Health, students will receive emails regarding graduation. For more information speak to an advisor.

## SPRING 2012 UPCOMING EVENTS

### Career Fair Days

Learn how to obtain research, jobs or volunteer experiences. Job fairs bring together New Jersey-area employers, college students and graduates seeking employment. For more information on these events, please visit <http://careerservices.rutgers.edu/>

Career Day Fair	Date	Time	Location
Internship Career Day	2/3/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Rutgers Student Center
New Jersey Diversity Career Day	2/17/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Rutgers Student Center
Education Career Day	2/24/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Rutgers Student Center
Big East Career Fair	3/9/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Madison Square Garden, NYC
Science Career Day	4/13/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Cook Campus Center
Nonprofit & Government Career Day	4/13/2012	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Cook Campus Center
New Jersey Collegiate Career Day	5/30/2012	9:30 AM - 3:30 PM	Rutgers Student Center & Brower Commons

### University College Community

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Senior Coordinator of Special Programs  
732-932-6965 x2156

**Fidelia Pokuah**  
Administrative Assistant  
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Location: University Conference Ctr.  
Douglass Campus  
178 Ryders Lane, Third Floor  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Phone: 732-932-6965/ 732-932-6997  
Fax: 732-932-7906

Email: [ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)

Website: [ucc.rutgers.edu](http://ucc.rutgers.edu)



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## A Girlfriends' Guide to Making it in the Real World!

Amy Siskind, President of The New Agenda  
We welcome Rutgers University Women!

**Trayes Hall at the Douglass Campus Center**  
**Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 6:30 – 8:00PM**

*Pizza and refreshments will be served*

For more information, visit <http://www.thenewagenda.net>

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